



**REGIONAL OFFICE FOR THE WESTERN PACIFIC
BUREAU REGIONAL DU PACIFIQUE OCCIDENTAL**

**ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE OPENING CEREMONY OF THE
SIXTY-THIRD SESSION OF THE WHO REGIONAL COMMITTEE FOR THE WESTERN PACIFIC**

Hanoi Opera House, Hanoi, Socialist Republic of Viet Nam
Monday, 24 September 2012

Opening ceremony

1. The opening ceremony will be held on Monday, 24 September 2012 at 09:00 at the Hanoi Opera House, No. 1 Trang Tien Street, Hanoi, Viet Nam.
2. All participants are requested to arrive at the venue of the opening ceremony before 8:30. Shuttle buses will be ready in front of the hotels to transport participants to the venue. Separate coaches will transport Chief Representatives to the venue. Please be guided by the following schedule:

Hotel	Departure Time
Melia Hanoi Hotel	08:15
Mercure Hanoi La Gare Hotel	08:15

3. The dignitaries will occupy designated seats in the first row, centre portion of the Hanoi Opera House.
4. Chief Representatives will occupy designated seats in the centre portion of the third to fifth rows. The order of seating will be arranged alphabetically by country.
5. Local guests will occupy undesignated seats on the right side of Chief Representatives.
6. Other representatives and participants will occupy undesignated seats just behind the row designated for the Chief Representatives, in the centre as well as on the two sides behind the rows for local guests and WHO Secretariat.
7. Simultaneous interpretation will be provided in Vietnamese and English.

Programme

8. The programme for the opening ceremony is as follows :

08:15	Registration of local guests
08:20 – 08:30	Arrival of dignitaries, representatives and guests. All dignitaries and Chief Representatives will meet on the 2 nd Floor of the Hanoi Opera House.
08:45	All participants (except dignitaries and Chief Representatives) are invited to be seated in Hanoi Opera House.
08:50	All Chief Representatives are invited to be seated in Hanoi Opera House in the centre, third to fifth rows.
08:55	Arrival of the Prime Minister Nguyen Tan Dung, Socialist Republic of Viet Nam. The following dignitaries take their seats in the centre, first row of the Hanoi Opera House. <ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ Prime Minister of Viet Nam➤ Minister of Health of Viet Nam➤ Outgoing Chairperson, Regional Committee for the Western Pacific➤ Regional Director, WHO Western Pacific
09:00 – 9:40	Cultural Performance
09:40-09:55	Film Screening: Viet Nam

10:05	Address by the Minister of Health of Viet Nam, Hon. Nguyen Thi Kim Tien
10:15	Address by the Prime Minister of Viet Nam, His Excellency Nguyen Tan Dung
10:25	Video message from the Director-General, World Health Organization, Dr Margaret Chan
10:35	Address by the Regional Director, WHO Western Pacific, Dr Shin Young-soo
10:45	Address by Outgoing Chairperson, Hon. Pehin Dato Adanan Yusof, Minister of Health Brunei Darussalam

After the opening ceremony

10:55 – 11:30	All dignitaries, Chief Representatives and participants to proceed to the front of the Hanoi Opera House for group photo
11:30	Departure from Hanoi Opera House for Melia Hanoi Hotel
12:00	Lunch for all participants at the Melia Hanoi Hotel

Identification cards

- For security reasons, all representatives are kindly reminded to wear their badges during the opening ceremony, plenary sessions and dinner receptions. Representatives who were not previously provided with their badges may proceed to the Enquiry Desk located at the Level 1 of Melia Hanoi Hotel on 24 September 2012 (Monday) afternoon.