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## From Dialogue to Action

### WHS Regional Meeting 2026 Nairobi, Kenya Setting Africa's health systems implementation agenda



The WHS Regional Meeting 2026 in Nairobi has concluded and underscored a shared commitment to move from dialogue to implementation in strengthening health systems across Africa.

Hosted by Aga Khan University from April 27–29 at the United Nations Office at Nairobi (UNON), the meeting brought together Ministers of Health, representatives of global health and multilateral institutions, private sector leaders, researchers, and youth voices to advance practical solutions and set a forward-looking agenda for action.

Stay tuned for a special WHS Regional Meeting 2026 Newsletter featuring key outcomes, highlights, and insights from Nairobi.

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## From Crisis to Resilience: Innovating for Health



Under the 2026 leitmotif “From Crisis to Resilience: Innovating for Health”, the World Health Summit hosted a WHS Global Health Dialogue on the sidelines of a visit of WHO Director-General Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus. On the agenda was the evolving role of global health in today’s geopolitical and geoeconomic context, with a particular focus on Europe and Germany.

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**WHS Perspectives | Commentary by Lawrence O. Gostin and SamF. Halabi**

### “America First” Global Health Strategy: A Seismic Rupture in Solidarity and Global Health Governance



The US withdrawal from the WHO, collapsing aid budgets, and a shift toward bilateral agreements are reshaping the foundations of international health cooperation – with devastating consequences for the world’s most vulnerable. Lawrence O. Gostin and Sam Halabi assess the fallout and outline what the global community must do next.

[Read the Commentary](#)



**News from the WHS Academic Alliance**

Global health challenges need global scientific exchange



The WHS Academic Alliance came together in Nairobi for its Spring Assembly, held alongside the WHS Regional Meeting 2026. Bringing together heads of delegation, focal points, and partners from the member institutions around the world, the Assembly focused on strengthening collaboration, advancing joint initiatives, and shaping priorities for the year ahead.

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The systems we rely on were designed for a world that no longer exists. Crises now overlap: conflict, climate shocks, geopolitics, inequality, and economic strain colliding all at once. The old models can't keep up. But a shift is happening. Our systems are being reimaged and rebuilt for the world we're living in. These innovations are defining the future of health and our communities, and they're at the centre of the World Health Summit 2026 in Berlin.

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## Session Highlights

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Challenge of Health  
and Aging in the  
Global South

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of Medicines in  
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