WHO Reform: NGO consultation

Consultation on WHO’s engagement with NGOs: Issues to consider in the formulation of a policy

Thursday 18 October 2012, 10.00-13.00 & 15.00-18.00
Executive Board Room, WHO Headquarters, Geneva, Switzerland

Agenda

09.30-10.00 Welcome Coffee

10.00-10.10 Opening remarks
Dr Margaret Chan, Director-General, WHO

10.10-10.20 Overview of current practices concerning collaboration, consultation and accreditation of NGOs
Dr Daniel Lopez-Acuna, DGO/WHO

10.20-11.00 NGO’s general comments on the proposed approach and process
Moderated by Dr Daniel Lopez-Acuna, DGO/WHO

11.00-13.00 Discussion on specific issues to consider in the formulation of the policy
Moderated by Dr Daniel Lopez-Acuna, DGO/WHO

(i) The importance of improving the modalities for engaging nongovernmental organizations in the different WHO activities at country, regional and global level in pursuit of the WHO General Program of Work (collaboration);

13.00-15.00 Lunch break

15.00-17.30 Discussion on specific issues to consider in the formulation of the policy (continuation)
Moderated by Dr Andrew Cassels, DGO/WHO

(ii) The need for seeking the views of nongovernmental organizations in the development of health policies and strategies (consultation);

(iii) The importance of updating the practices and criteria for accreditation and of defining modalities of NGO participation in the Governing Bodies meetings (accreditation);

17.30-18.00 Other crosscutting issues and summary of the deliberations
Dr Daniel Lopez-Acuna, DGO/WHO