

**Partnership Annual Conference (PAC)
Sixth Conference
Oslo, Norway
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Title	Provisional annotated agenda
Submitted by	Secretariat
Summary / Note	-
Requested action	For reference

1. Opening of the Conference and welcome

The conference will be opened and chaired by the NDPHS Chair, H.E. Anne-Grete Strøm-Erichsen, the Minister of Health and Care Services.

2. Adoption of the agenda

The Conference is invited to **adopt** the revised provisional agenda (submitted as document PAC 6/2/1/Rev 1).

3. Prison health – Public health: Discussion and the adoption of the NDPHS Declaration on Prison Health

The NDPHS decided that one main topic for the 6th Partnership Annual Conference would be prison health. The NDPHS Prison Health (PH) Expert Group took the main responsibility within the NDPHS for providing the substantive input to the PAC. To that end, it drafted a “Declaration on Principles of Cooperation between Prison Health and Public Health Services and Development of a Safer Society” and consulted it with the respective parties (countries, organizations and the NDPHS Expert Groups). The Declaration will be discussed at the PAC side-event “Good Prison Health – Better Public Health – Safer Society” to be held the day before PAC.

The PH Expert Group Chair will present the outcome of the above-mentioned PAC side-event and introduce the Declaration (submitted as document PAC 6/3/1).

The Conference is invited to **comment** on the issues presented by the PH Expert Group Chair, consider the Declaration and **adopt** it, as appropriate.

4. Progress of the NDPHS

The Secretariat will present the NDPHS Progress Report for 2009 (submitted as document PAC 6/4/1).

The Conference is invited to **approve** the NDPHS Progress Report for 2009, as appropriate. Considering that the presented report covers period from January until beginning of November

2009 only, it is proposed that this approval will be done with the understanding that, before posting the report on the NDPHS website, the Secretariat would update it with new relevant information that becomes available during the remaining part of the year.

5. Information by the Partner Countries and Organizations

Partners are invited to present information regarding their activities of relevance to the NDPHS which are not covered in other agenda items. **It is recommended that Partners submit their statements in a written format before the PAC.** It should also be noted that the Chair Country has decided that **five minutes will be allocated for each participating Minister and three minutes for each of the remaining Heads of Delegation.**

Sweden, in its capacity as the EU Presidency, will be invited to inform about (i) the outcome of the deliberations of the Council of the European Union and of the European Council concerning the EU Strategy for the Baltic Sea Region (cf. document PAC 6/5/Info 1), as well as (ii) the outcome of the Second Senior Officials Meeting of the Renewed Northern Dimension (cf. document PAC 6/5/Info 2).

The Conference is invited to **take note** of the information provided and **conclude**, as appropriate.

6. Future direction of the NDPHS

6.1 New NDPHS Strategy

With reference to document "Actions proposed as the follow-up of the NDPHS evaluation of 2008' – an *ad hoc* Strategy Working Group report as revised and approved by the NDPHS CSR" (submitted as document PAC 6/6.1/1), the CSR Chair will introduce the new NDPHS Strategy proposed for adoption by the PAC.

Further, the CSR Chair will present several matters for the attention of and resolution by the PAC, which the CSR considers are of critical importance for the Partnership to be able to successfully deliver during the coming few years (cf. document PAC 6/6.1/2).

The Conference is invited to discuss and **adopt** the new NDPHS Strategy. Further, the Conference is invited to consider the matters for resolution addressed by the CSR to the PAC and **decide**, as appropriate.

6.2 Work Plan for 2010

The CSR Chair will briefly introduce the proposed NDPHS Work Plan for 2010 (submitted as document PAC 6/6.2/1).

While taking into account the outcome of the discussions regarding the new NDPHS Strategy, the Conference is invited to consider the presented Work Plan for 2010 and **adopt** it, as appropriate.

7. Signing of the Memorandum of Understanding Concerning the Establishment of a NDPHS Secretariat

The Chair will introduce the “Memorandum of Understanding Concerning the Establishment of a NDPHS Secretariat” (to be submitted as document PAC 6/7/1) and present its proposal regarding further steps to establish the NDPHS Secretariat with its own legal capacity.

The representatives of the NDPHS Partner Countries intending to sign the Agreement on the establishment of the NDPHS Secretariat will be invited to *in situ* sign the MoU.

Further, the Conference is invited to discuss further steps to establish the NDPHS Secretariat with its own legal capacity and **conclude**, as appropriate.

8. Election of the next Chair and co-Chair Countries

As stated in the Oslo Declaration, “the PAC will elect a Chair and a co-Chair among its member governments to lead the Partnership for a period of two years.” To that end, it should be recalled that, during the CSR Meeting on 15-16 October 2009, Russia informed that it was prepared and willing to take the NDPHS chairmanship for the next term, and Finland confirmed its readiness to become the co-Chair.

In accordance with the above, the Conference is invited to consider the candidates and **elect** the Chair and co-Chair for the next term.

9. Date and place of the next PAC

The Conference is invited to **decide** about the place of the next PAC event. To that end, it should be recalled that, during the CSR Meeting on 15-16 October 2009, the WHO expressed its willingness to host the PAC 7 in 2010.

The Conference is invited to **entrust** the CSR with deciding about the date of the next PAC event, considering that it would be held at the CSR level.

10. Any other business

The Conference might wish to discuss any other business not covered under other agenda items and **decide**, as appropriate.

11. Conclusions by the Chair

The Chair will present the Chair’s Conclusions from the Conference.

The Conference is invited to **take note** of the Conclusions.

12. Closing of the Conference

The Conference is expected to close at 14:30 hours.