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Global Pandemic Preparedness Summit 2024 – Rio de Janeiro



Discussions and presentation by Dr. Virgil LOKOSSOU, at CEPI forum on WAHO's role in health security in the ECOWAS region...

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WAHO participation in the 5th Ordinary Session of the Specialized Technical Committee on Health, Nutrition, Population and Drug Control - Addis Ababa, 5-9.08.2024



During the 5th ordinary session of the African Union's Specialized Technical Committee on Health and Nutrition, Dr. Achille B. BATONON, representing the Director General of WAHO, actively engaged in discussions by sharing efforts to harmonize strategic health and nutrition documents within the ECOWAS region. WAHO was commended for its leadership in this area.

The meeting adopted several key documents, including the African Regional Nutrition Strategy and the 2030 Roadmap for sustaining the AIDS response. Key recommendations emphasized integrating non-communicable diseases into health systems, advancing digital health, and strengthening health infrastructure and capacities.



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Benin National MAJ CAMP FORUM, Edition 2024 - Ouidah, 09-13.08.2024



From August 9 to 13, 2024, the National MAJ Forum Camp was held at the Lycée des Jeunes Filles de Ouidah, Benin, marking the 20th anniversary of the Youth Action Movement Benin, gathering over 500 young people from across the country. The event, supported by WAHO, focused on strengthening youth commitment against Gender-Based Violence (GBV) through discussions and practical workshops on SRHR, GBV prevention, and Mobile Journalism.

The forum also provided a platform for civil society organizations and local decision-makers to meet, discuss, and support initiatives against GBV, with strong commitments and cultural moments that fostered solidarity and creativity among young participants.



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Meeting between WAHO DG, Dr. Melchior Athanase AÏSSI and Senegalese Minister of Health and Social Action, Dr. Ibrahima SY - Dakar, 12.08.2024



Enhancing cooperation among ECOWAS countries and building capacity through strategic partnerships...

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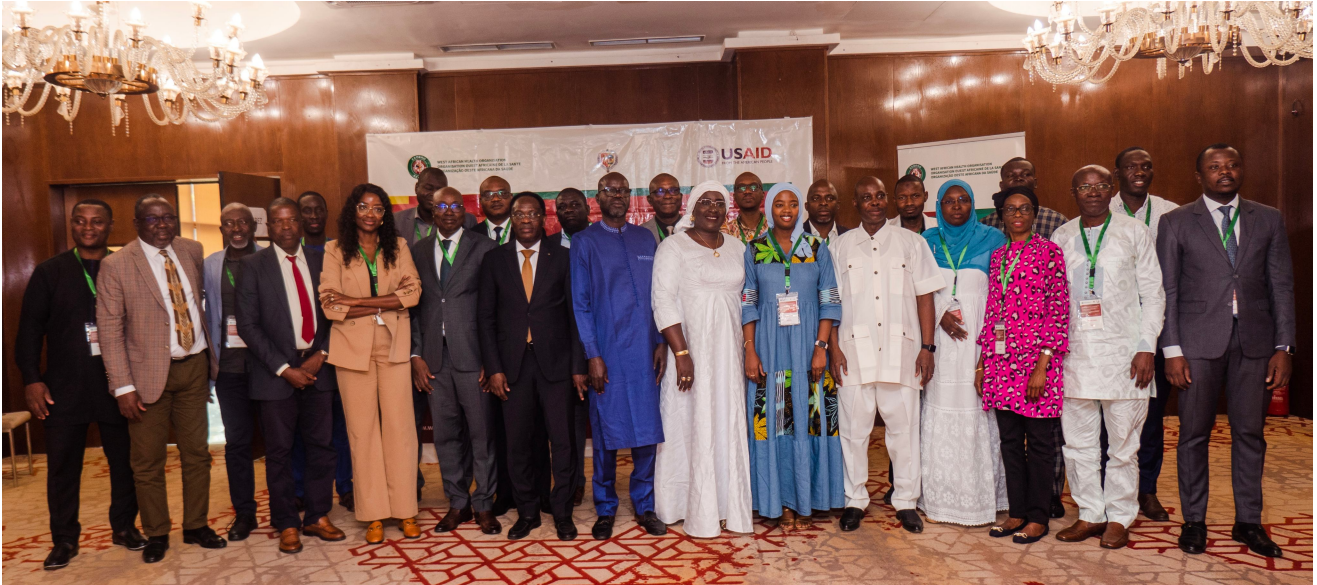
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Training member countries in the use of health financing diagnostic and monitoring tools (French-speaking countries) – Dakar, 12-16.08.2024



The ALM Declaration on Health Investment calls for the creation of Regional Health Financing Hubs (RHFH) to support member states in increasing national health financing ...

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Training member countries in the use of health financing diagnostic and monitoring tools (English-speaking countries) – Accra, 19-23.08.2024



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Regional workshop to strengthen implementation of the “One Health” approach through the Human Resources Development Operational Tool (WFD OT) - Saly, 20-22.08.2024



Focus on enhancing One Health implementation through practical exercises, multisectoral collaboration, and key recommendations to strengthen public health systems and manage zoonotic disease outbreaks across ECOWAS...

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Message from the WAHO's Director General on the Mpox situation in the ECOWAS region

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"In this context of the Mpox health emergency, we emphasize the importance of continuously strengthening the capabilities of healthcare personnel. Training in case detection, management, isolation, and overall infection control will enable our health systems to effectively handle cases and prevent nosocomial infections."

Promoting better health through regional integration
Dr ASSI Melchior.

Ongoing epidemics in ECOWAS countries on the African continent underscore the urgent need for enhanced surveillance ...

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1st meeting of the ministerial coordination committee on the Mpox outbreak in the ECOWAS region - 22.08.2024

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Urgent meeting between WAHO and ECOWAS Health Ministers, to boost surveillance, vaccine access, and regional coordination efforts to combat the outbreak and protect public health...

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74th Session of the WHO Regional Committee for Africa - Brazzaville, 26-30.08.2024 [WAHO Staff participation]



WAHO's participation in the 74th Session of the WHO Regional Committee for Africa aims to strengthen regional cooperation and align public health efforts to improve health systems in West Africa...

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Mpox awareness message

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It is important to promote rapid interventions and strengthen preparedness and response capacities to the Mpox epidemic in ECOWAS countries.

Dr. Melchior Athanase AïSSI
Director General of WAHO

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Regional Workshop on Molecular Diagnosis of Mpox, Dakar, 26-30.08.2024



The Institut Pasteur Dakar, WAHO, and WHO Africa have joined forces to combat the ongoing epidemic by strengthening surveillance, diagnostic capacities, and public health preparedness...

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1st RCSDC and INC emergency coordination meeting on the mpox situation in the ECOWAS region - 27.08.2024



Regional Center for Surveillance and Disease Control of WAHO and partners together to enhance regional coordination, surveillance, and response strategies to address the ongoing Mpox outbreak.

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Message from the WAHO's Director General to congratulate Dr. NDUGULILE for his election as WHO Regional Director for Africa



CONGRATS
DR FAUSTINE ENGELBERT NDUGULILE




For

YOUR ELECTION AS

WHO REGIONAL DIRECTOR FOR AFRICA

I WOULD LIKE TO WARMLY CONGRATULATE YOU ON YOUR ELECTION. WE LOOK FORWARD TO THE MANY ACHIEVEMENTS YOU WILL MAKE AS HEAD OF WHO AFRICA. YOUR EXPERTISE AND VISION WILL BE ESSENTIAL IN TACKLING THE HEALTH CHALLENGES FACING OUR CONTINENT.

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WAHO and WHOAFRO collaborate to enhance health indicators across Africa : strategic initiatives, fostering regional partnerships, and promoting sustainable health practices...

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