

# SHEM HIGHLIGHTS







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# SEVENTY-FIFTH WORLD HEALTH ASSEMBLY TO FOCUS ON "HEALTH FOR PEACE, PEACE FOR HEALTH" FOR RECOVERY AND RENEWAL

This year's session of the Health Assembly will run from the 22-28 May at the Palais des Nations in Geneva. It will include the appointment of the next WHO Director-General.

17 May | WHO | "The pandemic has undermined progress towards the health-related targets in Sustainable Development Goals and laid bare inequities within and between countries," said Dr Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus, WHO Director-General. "Sustained recovery will require more than 'getting back on track' and reinvesting in existing services and systems. We need a new approach, which means shifting priorities and focusing on the highest-impact interventions."

First, an urgent paradigm shift towards promoting health and well-being and preventing disease by addressing its root causes. Second, a radical reorientation of health systems towards primary health care, expanding and sustaining access to essential health services, and reducing out-of-pocket spending. Third, the strengthening of the systems and tools for epidemic and pandemic preparedness and response at all levels. Fourth, the harnessing of the power of science, research innovation, data and digital technologies for health promotion and disease prevention, and for the prevention and rapid response to epidemics and pandemics. Fifth, the strengthening of WHO as the leading and directing authority on global health.

#### **EVENTS**

25 MAY | THE
INTERACADEMY
PARTNERSHIP
HEALTH IN THE
CLIMATE EMERGENCY
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FRAMEWORK

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### PROF. LUIS EUGÊNIO DE SOUZA TAKES OVER PRESIDENCY OF WFPHA

19 May | A member of SHEM's Steering Committee and professor of the Collective Health Institute of the Federal University of Bahia, Brazil, Luis Eugênio de Souza succeeds Walter Ricciardi in the presidency of the World Federation of Public Health Associations. Emma Rawson is the vice-president, and the first indigenous woman to hold the position.

At the same event, former president of the federation and co-chair of SHEM's Steering Committee, **Paulo Buss** was granted the Lifetime Achievements Award 2022 for his contributions to the WFPHA and public health globally.

## POINT OF VIEW

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