

## **Background on Multi-stakeholder Hearing on Tuberculosis**

**8 - 9 May 2023**

The Hearings for Tuberculosis (TB), Universal Health Coverage (UHC), and Pandemic Prevention, Preparedness and Response (PPPR) will be held together on 8-9<sup>th</sup> May. Each of the Multi-stakeholder Hearings will be a half-day event which will take place at the United Nations Headquarters in New York, USA.

### **Objective**

The President of the United Nations General Assembly will convene a series of multi-stakeholder hearings in preparation of the High-Level Meetings on the fight against TB, UHC and PPPR. The Hearings will provide an opportunity for all relevant stakeholders to contribute to the ongoing preparatory process for the High-Level Meetings, with a focus on the current state of efforts and top needs to accelerate response. Participants will be encouraged to exchange views on key priorities for the High-Level Meeting, while underscoring experiences and best practices on the ground, highlighting the special challenges faced by civil society and other relevant stakeholders working in the field and the need for stronger accountability at all levels.

### **Audience**

The Hearings will bring together representatives of the Member States, observers of the General Assembly, parliamentarians, representative of local government, relevant UN entities, civil society organizations, non-governmental organizations, academia, professional associations and the private sector and broader communities. This includes ensuring the participation and voices of women, children, youth and indigenous leadership. The Hearings will be live-streamed.

### **Outcomes**

The outcome for each will be a summary prepared by the President of the General Assembly. It will be circulated to all Member States and other stakeholders.

### **Expected Format for Multi-stakeholder Hearing on TB**

- Opening Session
- Two Interactive Panels

- Panel 1: Accelerating multisectoral actions to ensure equitable high-quality people-centred tuberculosis care, and addressing determinants of tuberculosis in the context of universal health coverage;
- Panel 2: Scaling up adequate and sustainable national, regional and international financing to ensure equity in tuberculosis service delivery, innovative strategies, as well as for the research and development of new diagnostics, vaccines and medicines;
- Closing Session