



The Call for the IPSF Delegation to the 69th World Health Assembly (WHA) - May 2016 in Geneva, Switzerland

To all IPSF members,

On the date of release of this call, the period for applications to be part the IPSF Delegation to the 69th World Health Assembly is officially open.

The World Health Assembly is the decision-making body of the World Health Organization (WHO). Every year, the event is attended by delegations from all WHO Member States and Non-State Actors, with focuses on a specific health agenda prepared by the Executive Board. The main functions of the World Health Assembly are to determine the policies of the Organization, appoint the Director General, supervise financial policies, and review and approve the proposed program budget.

The 69th World Health Assembly will be held between the the 23rd and the 28th of May 2016, in Geneva, Switzerland.

In order to be considered and accepted for this prestigious opportunity, interested IPSF members should: (1) send a Curriculum Vitae (CV) and (2) fill out the Application Form (link: <https://docs.google.com/a/ipsf.org/forms/d/1ezwAyA9IEvsYO2Ho4AJ9IF9AcrDP7vnrh1BV73l9qs/viewform>).

Please complete and submit all the requirements to Ms. Ana Catarina Duarte, IPSF Chairperson of Public Health, before the 18th of January 2016 at 23:59 GMT +0, with the subject "2016 WHA Application – Full Name" to the e-mail address publichealth@ipsf.org.

All applicants will be notified regarding the results of the screening by the 22nd of January 2016, at the latest, if the conditions have been met by this date. The applicants might be contacted in if additional information is needed regarding their application.

If there are any concerns or questions, please feel free to send an email to the e-mail address provided: publichealth@ipsf.org.

Kind Regards,
Ana Catarina Duarte
Chairperson of Public Health 2015-16



General Terms and Conditions

These Terms and General Conditions are valid for every IPSF member who applies to be part of the IPSF Delegation to the World Health Assembly on May 2016 in Geneva, Switzerland.

The following Terms and General Conditions describe the following:

1. application and screening process
2. passport and visa requirements
3. responsibilities of the delegates
4. costs

Application and Screening Process

- Only the participants who submitted the fully completed application form and requirements will be accepted.
- Each participant will be screened by the 2016 WHA Organizing Team that is comprised of the following:
 - Chairperson of Public Health
 - Public Health Advocacy Coordinator
 - Co-opted members of the Public Health Committee.
- Each participant will be evaluated based on the following criteria:
 - Application Form (75%)
 - Curriculum Vitae (25%)
- The decision of the Organizing Team is final.
- A list of delegates selected for the position will be provided to all applicants at the time the results are announced.

Passport and Visa Requirements

- The participants are responsible for their own travel and visa requirements.
- Those participants who require an entry visa to Geneva, Switzerland must allow sufficient time for the application procedure.
- The Organizing Team will be sending an invitation letter or any other pertinent document, as requested, to support the participant's visa application.

Responsibilities of the Delegates

- Prior to the 2016 WHA, all participants should comply with all online trainings, lectures and reading materials provided by the Organizing Team. Moreover, all participants are expected to prepare adequately for active participation in sessions and discussions.
- All participants are expected to behave and act "in character" throughout the 2016 WHA by consistently advocating the interests of the Organization. To act "in character" also means displaying respect for the opinions and ideas of fellow delegates, even if these may be opposing or in conflict with yours.
- All participants should be present in the whole duration of the 2016 WHA.
- When necessary, the Organizing Team reserves the right to assign the participants to specific events, meetings or briefings, even if these may not be suitable to the participant's interests or preferences.

Costs (accommodation, travel, food, etc.)

- Financial assistance from the IPSF will not be available for the WHA.
- Each participant is responsible for all the costs involved in his or her participation in the WHA such as, but not limited to the following: accommodation, travel, and food.
- IPSF is not responsible for the booking of the accommodation during the WHA.



- IPSF is not responsible for any personal loss or injury which may be incurred by the participant during the WHA.

NOTE: Currently IPSF is undergoing a process of review for the “official relations” status with the WHO, which doesn’t guarantee that IPSF will have attendance to the WHA. Having this in mind, please don’t engage in any activities before knowing the result of your application and the confirmation of IPSF’s attendance to the event.