



UHC2030 STEERING COMMITTEE
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UHC Movement Political Advisory Panel

Draft Terms of Reference

For Information **For Review & Advice** **For Approval**

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Purpose:

- The UHC Movement Political Advisory Panel (working title: UHC2030 group of political advisors) provides guidance to the UHC2030 Steering Committee to strengthen political support for universal health coverage (UHC) and ensure high-level political commitment translates into action in countries.

Role and responsibilities:

- Advise on opportunities that UHC2030 may use to further leverage political processes to sustain high-level momentum on UHC and ensure follow-up on the UHC political declaration, which was adopted in the UN High-level meeting in 2019
- Reach out to specific processes with a view of influencing the agenda and mobilise political support
- No legal status or binding obligations – advisory role to the UHC2030 Steering Committee

Ways of working:

- Convene in person once per year on the margin of the high-level political or economic fora and engage in quarterly teleconferences;
- Work in a way to ensure full transparency of the group, with open and regular communication with the UHC2030 Steering Committee;
- Light-touch secretariat support and coordination to be provided by UHC2030 Secretariat
- No financial remuneration. UHC2030 will make some funding available to cover the costs of meetings or participation in relevant UHC2030 co-hosting events if necessary.

Process for appointing the UHC2030 political advisors:

- UHC2030 Secretariat to nominate advisors;
- UHC2030 Steering Committee to approve nominations; and
- Level expected would be current or former head of agency/minister (across government) and on the basis of personal capacity to connect with and leverage relevant political processes and institutions (e.g. UN, G20 + G7, EU, AU, ASEAN+3, APEC, MERCOSUR, political players such as MPs and local authority leaders).

Secretariat:

The UHC2030 Core Team serves as the secretariat of the UHC2030 group of political advisors.

Current Status: initial discussion with key partners during UNGA in September and follow-up with potential political advisors individually in October/November. Final draft TOR to be submitted to UHC2030 Steering Committee for decision on 10-11 December 2019 in Brussels.

Annex 1. List of potential advisors

- Ms. María Fernanda Espinosa Garcés (Former President of the UN General Assembly)
- Dr. Gro Harlem Brundtland (Board Members of The Elders/Former Prime Minister of Norway)
- Mr. Vytenis Povilas Andriukaitis (Former European Commissioner for Health and Food Safety)
- Prof. Keizo Takemi (WHO Goodwill Ambassador for Universal Health Coverage)
- Ms. Gabriela Cuevas Barron (President of the Inter-Parliamentary Union)
- High-level representative from the United Cities and Local Governments (TBC)

Annex 2. Political advisory panel in the governance structure of UHC2030

The UHC Movement Political Advisory Panel is a high-level group of appointed UHC2030 political leaders who advocate for and mobilize wider political commitment to UHC Political Declaration. The panel will be led by a Lead Political Advisor.

UHC2030 partners are organized into 5 constituencies, whose members endorsed UHC2030 Global Compact. All UHC2030 constituencies are represented on the Steering Committee, which serves as the leadership and decision-making body for the partnership. The Steering Committee is led by two Co-Chairs. UHC2030 brings together under a common platform related initiatives working on health systems. The Steering Committee also creates time-bound Working Groups or Task Teams when strategic or operational tasks require specific attention across constituencies.

Political Advisory Panel (Lead Political Advisor) High-level Advocacy – advice to Steering Committee	Steering Committee (Co-Chairs) Strategic Leadership/Decision Making
Secretariat Hosting Organizations Organized by 2 agencies (WHO and World Bank Group)	Partner Constituencies Organized into 5 constituencies (Countries; International organisations: incl. UN, Global Health Initiatives and other International Organizations; Philanthropic Foundations; Civil Society; and Private Sector)
Core Team (Joint-Leads) Partner Support	Working Groups / Task Teams Strategic / Operational support
	Related initiatives Coordination and information sharing