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Dear Sir,

**High-level meeting on
Health systems for prosperity and solidarity: leaving no one behind
Tallinn, Estonia, 13–14 June 2018**

On behalf of the WHO Regional Office for Europe, it is our honour to invite you to the high-level meeting on Health systems for prosperity and solidarity: leaving no one behind, generously hosted by the Ministry of Social Affairs of Estonia, which will take place in Tallinn, Estonia on 13–14 June 2018.

The meeting will mark the 10th anniversary of the signing of the Tallinn Charter: Health Systems for Health and Wealth. Since 2008, despite growing financial pressures, there has been increasing recognition globally that health systems have a crucial role to play not only in improving health, but in directly and indirectly generating economic growth.

This high-level meeting will serve as an opportunity:

- to celebrate the Tallinn Charter, its values and achievements on its 10th anniversary;
- to share innovations and recent good practices from across the WHO European Region;
- to outline a new vision for person-centred and resilient health systems of the 21st century, in line with the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals and the Health 2020 policy framework of the WHO European Region, with a stronger commitment to achieving equity.

Three overarching themes have been identified, each of which carries its own key message:

- **Include** – improving coverage, access and financial protection for everyone
- **Invest** – making the case for investing in health systems
- **Innovate** – harnessing innovations and systems to meet people's needs.

An outline of the scope and purpose of the meeting is enclosed.

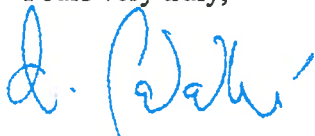
The working languages will be English and Russian, and simultaneous interpretation will be provided.

Please address your reply by email to Dr Hans Kluge, Director, Division of Health Systems and Public Health and focal point for the meeting (Tallinn2018@who.int).

We look forward to receiving your nomination(s) for attendance at the meeting at your earliest convenience and no later than **15 March 2018**. We shall then communicate directly with the nominated representatives and provide them with the necessary documentation and administrative information in good time.

We look forward to welcoming you to Tallinn and to a successful meeting.

Yours very truly,



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