

## Agenda Item 21.2 WHO reform: involvement of non-State actors in WHO's governing bodies

Joint Statement to the 150<sup>th</sup> Executive Board

*WHO REFORM: INVOLVEMENT OF NON-STATE ACTORS IN WHO'S GOVERNING BODIES*  
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WCRF International and World Obesity Federation, supported by NCD Alliance, welcome proposals in the Director-General's Report on Non-State Actor involvement in WHO's governing body meetings that address the challenges of NSAs engagement. We recognise WHO's efforts to facilitate a joint and transparent discussion. Civil society space must stay protected, and we urge WHO to establish a multi-stakeholder working group to develop a more systematic approach to NSA engagement.

To achieve more meaningful engagement of NSAs, we call on WHO & Member States to:

- Develop agendas for informal meetings in collaboration with NSAs, providing enough time to input, and further incentives for Member States to participate
- Ensure that informal discussions do not replace comprehensive online consultations on key documents
- Reinstate official side events as a valuable platform to engage Member States around key topics, WHO technical teams and other NSAs.