



# Q&A on accreditation and registration for the Interactive Civil Society Hearing and the UN General Assembly High-Level Meeting on the fight against tuberculosis (UN HLM)

## **Key resources:**

UN General Assembly resolution on the "Scope, modalities, format and organization of the high-level meeting on the fight against tuberculosis"	https://undocs.org/en/A/72/L.40
President of the General Assembly website on the UN HLM	https://www.un.org/pga/72/event- latest/fight-to-end-tuberculosis/
UN HLM website for accreditation and other practical steps	https://reg.unog.ch/event/24298/
Contact email (active beginning of the week of 9 April 2018)	unitedtoendtb@un.org

#### Important note

Deadline for accreditation process is midnight EST (New York time) on 27 April 2018. If you do not submit your complete accreditation request by the deadline, you will NOT be able to attend either the UN HLM or the Interactive Civil Society Hearing.

## When and where will the Interactive Civil Society Hearing take place?

The interactive civil society hearing will take place on <u>Monday</u>, 4 June 2018, at the UN Headquarters in New York.

#### When and where will the UN HLM on TB take place?

The UN HLM on TB will take place on <u>Wednesday</u>, <u>26 September 2018</u>, the second day of the general debate of the UN General Assembly at its 73<sup>rd</sup> session, at the UN Headquarters in New York, from 10:30 to 18:00. **What is the aim of the Interactive Civil Society Hearing?** 

The Interactive Civil Society Hearing is part of the <u>preparatory process for the UN HLM</u>. It is organized by the President of the General Assembly, with the support of WHO and the Stop TB Partnership.

#### How does it relate to the UN HLM?

The Interactive Civil Society Hearing provides a platform for the inclusive, active and substantive engagement of civil society and other relevant stakeholders. Participants will have the opportunity to take part in a day of interactive panel discussions, share practical experiences from their work, and make recommendations towards the UN HLM in order to support and to inform Member States in the development of the UN HLM outcome document. The President of the General Assembly will prepare a summary of the hearing.

# Who can participate in the Interactive Civil Society Hearing?

As determined in the UN modalities resolution (<a href="https://undocs.org/en/A/72/L.40">https://undocs.org/en/A/72/L.40</a>), participants at the hearing will include: senior-level representatives of Member States, observers of the General Assembly, parliamentarians, representatives of local government, relevant United Nations entities, non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council, invited civil society organizations, academia, medical associations and the private sector, as well as people affected by tuberculosis and broader communities.

#### How can you participate in the Interactive Civil Society Hearing and the UN HLM?

Participation in the Interactive Civil Society Hearing and the UN HLM is a three-step process. Accreditation is required first. Accredited organizations can pursue registration for the Hearing and later for the UN HLM.

# What is meant by "accreditation" in the context of the UN HLM and the Interactive Civil Society Hearing?

The accreditation process for <u>both the UN HLM and the Interactive Civil Society Hearing</u> opened on 5 April and will close on 27 April 2018.

- Who requires accreditation: Accreditation is required for <u>relevant non-governmental</u> organizations, civil society organizations, academic institutions, medical associations and the private sector.
- Who does not require accreditation: Accreditation is not required for UN member states,
  UN entities, and non-governmental organizations in consultative status with ECOSOC
  (please see list of institutions with ECOSOC status here <a href="http://undocs.org/E/2016/INF/5">http://undocs.org/E/2016/INF/5</a>).

The list of applicants seeking accreditation will be circulated to UN Member States by the President of the UN General Assembly for approval on a non-objection basis. Only accredited entities will be able to register for the UN HLM and/or the Interactive Civil Society Hearing.

# What is meant by "registration" in the context of the UN HLM and the Interactive Civil Society Hearing?

There will be a <u>separate registration process for the UN HLM and for the Hearing</u>. Registration will only open once accreditation has been finalized. Registration will open in advance of each meeting and will announced on relevant websites and through newsflashes. Only those non-governmental organizations, civil society organizations, academic institutions, medical associations and private sector entities which have been accredited and not objected to by Member States will be allowed to register for either meeting. UN member states, UN entities, and non-governmental organizations in consultative status with ECOSOC do not need to go through the accreditation process and may register for either meeting directly.

## How Can I Attend if I'm not Affiliated with an Organization?

For those not affiliated with an organization, you may wish to approach a TB organization in your country or globally who may be willing to provide affiliation in support of your accreditation request. To consult a list of TB organizations in your country, you may wish to consult the Stop TB Partnership's Partners Directory at <a href="http://www.stoptb.org/partners/search.asp">http://www.stoptb.org/partners/search.asp</a>.

A separate set of FAQs will be developed and posted online in the coming weeks, on other meeting related matters including logistics.