



Meeting of the Parties to the Protocol to Eliminate Illicit Trade in Tobacco Products

Fourth session, Geneva, Switzerland, 24–26 November 2025

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Time	Event	Room
10:00–13:00	Opening of the session and first plenary meeting	Auditorium
16:30–18:00	Second plenary meeting	Auditorium

Informal regional meetings and the EU coordination meetings

08:00–09:00	Regional group for Europe	Salle C
08:30–09:30	Regional group for Africa	Salle A
08:30–09:30	Regional group for the Americas	Garden Room T
08:30–09:30	Regional group for South-East Asia	Garden Room U2
09:00–09:30	Regional group for the Eastern Mediterranean	Garden Room X
09:00–09:30	Regional group for the Western Pacific	Garden Room U1
09:00–10:00	European Union coordination meeting (<i>closed</i>)	Salle C
13:00–14:00	European Union coordination meeting (<i>closed</i>)	Salle C
18:00–19:00	European Union coordination meeting (<i>closed</i>)	Salle C

Other meetings and side events¹

13:30–14:45	Side event: Leveraging Existing National Data to Strengthen Enforcement Against Illicit Trade (more information here)	Auditorium
13:30–14:45	Side event: Launch of the 2025 Global Progress Report on the Protocol to Eliminate Illicit Trade in Tobacco Products (more information here)	EB room
15:00–16:30	High-level segment hosted by the Secretariat of the WHO Framework Convention on Tobacco Control (WHO FCTC) “Justice and Prosecution: Strengthening Legal Action to Eliminate Illicit Trade in Tobacco Products” (more information here)	Auditorium
18:15–19:15	Global Alliance for Tobacco Control Daily Briefing	Garden Room V

Meeting of the Bureau

18:15–18:45	Meeting of the Bureau of the Meeting of the Parties (closed)	Garden Room W1
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Programme of work**First plenary meeting** 10:00 – Auditorium, Building B – SS3

Item 1	Opening of the session
Item 1.1	Adoption of the agenda and organization of work <i>Documents FCTC/MOP/4/1 and FCTC/MOP/4/1 (annotated)</i>
Item 1.2	Credentials of participants <i>Document FCTC/MOP/4/2</i>
Item 2	Applications for the status of observer to the Meeting of the Parties <i>Document FCTC/MOP/4/3</i>

Second plenary meeting 16:30 – Auditorium, Building B – SS3

Item 3	Global progress in implementation of the Protocol, followed by a general debate <i>Document FCTC/MOP/4/4</i>
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¹ These meetings are not included in the official proceedings of MOP4.

WHO FCTC MOP4 App

[The WHO Events App for the WHO FCTC MOP4](#) for smart phones and computer is now available. The App provides secure access to the official documents, basic documents and all the practical information that participants need for taking part in MOP4. For more information, check the [App Quick Start Guide](#), contact fctcappsupport@who.int or go to the App booth on site if you require any assistance regarding the App.

Social media accounts

Delegates are encouraged to raise awareness about MOP4 and the Protocol, as well as the WHO FCTC, including the importance of its implementation through social media. Official hashtags: #MOP4 and #FCTCSavesLives are recommended to be used on X, Facebook, Instagram, LinkedIn or other channels for this purpose.

Procedural issues

To raise a point of order, request a right of reply or make a procedural motion pursuant to the Rules of Procedure of the Meeting of the Parties, a delegation member should send a message to +41 79 60377 84 by SMS text or by WhatsApp. This number is staffed during meeting times and may only be used for points of order, requests for rights of reply or other procedural motions and not for any other matter. Any messages will be relayed promptly to the presiding officer.

Media

A virtual opening MOP4 press conference was held for the media on Thursday, 13 November 2025 at 15:00 (CET).

A closing press conference will be held for the media on Wednesday, 26 November 2025 following the closing of MOP4.

Members of the media are encouraged to sign up to receive WHO FCTC media alerts [here](#) in order to be kept up to date on press conferences and more.

Media requests for the Secretariat can be directed to mediafctc@who.int.

Contact information

Plenary: fctcgovernance@who.int

Committee A: fctcComA@who.int

Committee B: fctcComB@who.int

Announcements

Arrangements for conduct of discussion in Plenary, Committee A and B meetings

Delegations wishing to speak in the general debate (agenda item 3 – Global progress in implementation of the Protocol, followed by a general debate) are invited to notify the Convention Secretariat as soon as possible by email with the subject line “Request for general debate statement” to fctcgovernance@who.int.

Delegates can view the speaker’s list for item 3 in the [restricted online documentation portal](#).

Delegations are encouraged to opt for group or regional statements, in lieu of individual statements.

On-site facilities

Delegates are invited to consult the [Practical Guide for Participants](#) (FCTC/MOP/4/DIV/2) for any other information related to the venue.

Seating during Plenary sessions

Due to space limitations in the main Plenary room, Parties will be allocated a limited number of seats during Plenary sessions according to their delegation size. Overflow rooms will be available for delegates who are not able to be accommodated in the main Plenary room.

Live streaming

The webcasts can be viewed on Macs and PCs, as well as all mobile devices including iPhone, iPad, Android and Windows-enabled phones.

Please visit the WHO FCTC MOP4 website [here](#).

Distribution of documents

The documents for the session can be downloaded [here](#).

A secure and restricted online documentation portal may be found on the MOP4 webpage for delegates to access in-session documentation with a username and password communicated to the Parties and observers to the Meeting of the Parties by the Convention Secretariat.

Room booking

There is limited space for bilateral or private meetings; however, upon request, rooms can be designated by the Convention Secretariat for specific appointments. Regretfully, interpretation cannot be provided for such meetings. Requests will be treated on a first-come, first-served basis.

Requests for a meeting room should be sent to the Convention Secretariat as soon as possible – but no later than 24 hours prior to the meeting – to cmpmail@who.int, stating the date and time of the meeting, duration of the meeting, number of participants and name of the organizer (Party or observer).

List of participants

The provisional list of participants will be available on the [WHO FCTC MOP4](#) website at the opening of the session. That list will be issued on the basis of valid credentials received by the Convention Secretariat up to 12:00 (noon) on Sunday, 23 November. A revised list will be posted on the WHO FCTC MOP4 website later. In the event of any official change in the details and composition of a delegation, delegations are kindly requested to make any necessary changes directly in the registration system.
