



**Conference of the Parties to the WHO Framework Convention on Tobacco Control**  
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# JOURNAL

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Time	Event	Room
10:00–13:00	Opening of the session and first plenary meeting	America Hall 1/2, first floor
15:00–18:00	Second plenary meeting	America Hall 1/2, first floor

### Informal regional meetings and the EU coordination meetings

08:00–09:00	European Union coordination meeting ( <i>closed</i> )	Canal Hall 1, ground floor
08:30–09:30	Regional group for Africa	Caribe 6/7, ground floor
08:30–09:30	Regional group for the Americas	Caribe 4/5, ground floor
08:30–09:30	Regional group for the Eastern Mediterranean	Pacifico 3, ground floor
08:30–09:30	Regional group for South-East Asia	Caribe 1/2, ground floor
08:30–09:30	Regional group for the Western Pacific	Caribe 3, ground floor
09:00–09:45	Regional group for Europe	ISTMO 1/2/3, first floor
13:00–14:00	European Union coordination meeting ( <i>closed</i> )	Canal Hall 1, ground floor
18:00–19:00	European Union coordination meeting ( <i>closed</i> )	Canal Hall 1, ground floor

### Other meetings

08:30–08:50 and 18:00–18:20	Daily press briefings	Pacifico 5, ground floor
	<b>Side events:</b>	
13:30–14:45	Everyone has a role to play: promoting a multisectoral approach to WHO FCTC implementation	Caribe 1/2, ground floor
13:30–14:45	Towards a smoke-free generation: options to make tobacco and related products less attractive	Caribe 3, ground floor
13:30–14:45	Implementation of Article 5.3 of the WHO FCTC	Caribe 4/5, ground floor
<b>Meeting of the Bureau</b>		
18:15–18:45	Meeting of the Bureau of the Conference of the Parties ( <i>closed</i> )	ISTMO 4, first floor
<b>Social event</b>		
19:00–22:00	Reception hosted by the Government of Panama	Lobby, ground floor

## Programme of work

<b>First plenary meeting</b>		<b>10:00 – Plenary Hall, America Hall 1/2, first floor</b>
<b>Item 1</b>	<b>Opening of the session</b>	
Item 1.1	Adoption of the agenda and organization of work <i>Documents FCTC/COP/10/1, FCTC/COP/10/1 (annotated) and FCTC/COP/10/1 Add.1</i>	
Item 1.2	Credentials of participants <i>Document FCTC/COP/10/2</i>	
<b>Item 2</b>	<b>Applications for the status of observer to the Conference of the Parties</b> <i>Document FCTC/COP/10/3</i>	
<b>Second plenary meeting</b>		<b>15:00 – Plenary Hall, America Hall 1/2, first floor</b>
<b>Item 1 (cont)</b>	<b>Opening ceremony</b>	
<b>Item 3</b>	<b>High-level segment</b>	
<b>Item 4</b>	<b>Invited speakers, if any</b>	
<b>Item 5</b>	<b>Global progress in implementation of the WHO FCTC, followed by a general debate</b> <i>Document FCTC/COP/10/4</i>	

## **COP10 WHO FCTC App**

The WHO Events App for the WHO FCTC COP10 for smart phones and computers 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 COP10. For more information, check the [App Quick Start Guide](#), contact [fctcappsupport@who.int](mailto:fctcappsupport@who.int) or go to the app booth onsite if you require any assistance regarding the app.

## **Social Media Accounts**

Delegates are encouraged to raise awareness about COP10 as well as the WHO FCTC including the importance of its implementation through social media. Official hashtags: #COP10FCTC is recommended to be used on X, Facebook 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 Conference of the Parties, a delegation member should send a message to +41 79 595 9743 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 promptly relayed to the presiding officer.

## **Contact information**

**Plenary:** [cop10-mop3@who.int](mailto:cop10-mop3@who.int)

**Committee A:** [fctcComA@who.int](mailto:fctcComA@who.int)

**Committee B:** [fctcComB@who.int](mailto:fctcComB@who.int)

## **Badges**

Participants will be able to collect their badges before the opening of the session at the Registration Desk located on the ground floor of the Panama Convention Center. The Registration Desk will be open as follows:

- Monday, 5 February to Friday, 9 February from 08:00 to 18:00.
- Saturday, 10 February from 08:00 until the closure of the session.

A complimentary shuttle service will be available between the official hotels and the Panama Convention Center.

## Announcements

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

For the conduct of plenary meetings, interventions by delegates will be monitored by a “traffic light”. Individual statements are limited to three minutes (330 words) and statements on behalf of a WHO region to four minutes (440 words).

Delegations wishing to speak in the 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 [cop10-mop3@who.int](mailto:cop10-mop3@who.int). Delegations are encouraged to opt for group or regional statements, in lieu of individual statements.

### Interventions

Please provide the text of any interventions to the messengers who will come to your seat once you have spoken, or e-mail the text of your intervention, where appropriate, to [fctcrecords@who.int](mailto:fctcrecords@who.int).

### Interpretation and statements

Interpretation will be provided in the six official languages of the United Nations (Arabic, Chinese, English, French, Russian and Spanish). Delegates are requested to send a copy of their statement to [interpret@who.int](mailto:interpret@who.int) at least 30 minutes in advance. This does not prevent delegates from making changes upon delivery, but it will facilitate clarity and accuracy in all languages. When submitting a statement by email please specify, both in the subject line of the email and at the top of the attached statement, the name of the country/group, the meeting (for example, Plenary, Committee A or Committee B) and the number of the relevant agenda item. Delegates are requested to deliver statements at a normal speaking pace. Rapid delivery risks impeding clarity and accuracy in interpretation. Statements provided in advance are treated as confidential and checked against delivery for the purpose of the official record.

### Distribution of documents

The documents for the session can be downloaded [here](#). Delegates should make their own arrangement to print their documents if needed.

A secure and restricted online documentation portal may be found on the COP10 webpage for delegates to access in-session documentation with a username and password communicated to 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](mailto: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 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, 4 February. In the event of any official change in the details and composition of a delegation, the Convention Secretariat requests that it be amended directly in the registration system.

### **On-site facilities**

**Information desk:** It will be located on the ground floor of the Panama Convention Center and will provide information on a range of topics to participants. The Information Desk can also refer participants to other services, including travel, postal services, medical care and communications. Lost property can be turned in or reclaimed at the Information Desk.

**Wireless internet:** The Panama Convention Center has free wireless internet service (Wi-Fi).

**Potable water:** The Panama Convention Center has water fountains in all areas of the facility. To facilitate the supply of water to all participants, water dispensers will be placed in the various rooms. Participants will be able to fill the bottle provided in the conference bag given to them at the time of registration. For information, the tap water in all cities of the country is also safe for consumption.

**Tranquillity Room:** A Tranquillity Room for meditation/prayer is available at the Panama Convention Center for participants who wish to pray, meditate or find a quiet space to relax.

**Catering facilities:** Lunch will be provided by the host country from Monday, 5 February to Saturday, 10 February. A coffee shop will be available at the Panama Convention Center.

### **Emergency and useful numbers in Panama**

- Panama Convention Center: Tel + 507 308 8888
- Police: 104
- Ambulance service: 103
- Fire: 103
- Medical facilities: an emergency medical service will be available at the Panama Convention Center during the Conference from 7:00 to 18:00 on days without evening sessions, and until 23:00 should evening sessions be held. Delegates requiring urgent medical attention outside of the Panama Convention Center are advised to call 911 or CRUEM (Centro Regulador de Urgencias y Emergencias Médicas) at: +507 512 9219 or +507 6330 5577.

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