Organisation Strategy (light) for Denmark's engagement with WHO 2014-2019



The work of WHO

The World Health Organization (WHO) is the United Nations specialized agency for health. It provides leadership on global health issues, including pandemics, and is responsible for developing the global health agenda by setting norms and standards, providing evidence-based policy options, monitoring health trends and through the provision of technical assistance to member states.

Denmark supports WHO with voluntary funding because

- It plays an invaluable role as the key normative body in relation to global health issues and as effective leader and coordinator in respect of pandemics
- Its work is a prerequisite for the work of UNFPA, the Global Fund, UNAIDS and other organizations to which Denmark is a major contributor

Key challenges for WHO

- Health in the Post-2015 framework
- A rights based approach, including dealing with the LGBT agenda

Denmark will expect WHO to

- Continue its reform process, including full alignment between programme and funding
- Focus on health system strengthening
- Focus on the mainstreaming of gender, equity and human rights

Denmark will follow-up by

- Monitoring Danish priority areas based on WHO's own framework
- Undertaking a midterm review of the Danish Organisation Strategy

WHO	
Established	1948
HQ	Geneva
Regional offices	Copenhagen (European region), Washington, Manila, Cairo, Brazzaville, New Delhi
Country Offices	150
Human Resources	Approx. 8.000
Financial resources, USD mil. (2014)	Approx. 4 billion USD, of which approx. 1 bn. in assessed contributions and 3 bn. in voluntary contributions
Denmark's contribution	2014: Assessed: 23 million. DKK (4,3 mill. USD – Ministry of Health) Voluntary: 30 million DKK (5,6 mill. USD – Ministry of Foreign Affairs)
Executive Director	Dr. Margaret Chan (China)
World Health Assembly	May
Executive Board (EB) Sessions	Janua r y May
Denmark member of EB	2006-09 (Ministry of Health)