

Concept Note: Modalities for Agenda Item 8: Interim report of the PCB Working Group on the further transition and integration of UNAIDS into the UN System and beyond

58th UNAIDS PROGRAMME COORDINATING BOARD (PCB) MEETING

Wednesday, 1 July 2026 13:00-19:00 (CEST)

1. Objective

This concept note sets out the structure and modalities for the interactive hybrid exchange scheduled under **Agenda Item 8 of the 58th Programme Coordinating Board Meeting**. The session is designed to provide PCB Members and Observers with an opportunity to discuss the interim report of the PCB Working Group on the further transition and integration of UNAIDS into the UN System and beyond.

2. Format and Structure

The session is structured in three phases:

- Part 1 (13:00 - 13:45): Formal plenary session, including reflections by the Co-Facilitators on the interim report and an opportunity for procedural questions on the modalities for the agenda item;

Lunch Break (13:45 – 14:45)

- Part 2 (14:45 - 16:15): Suspension of the formal plenary and convening of three simultaneous informal breakout sessions (hybrid format), facilitated by Bureau officers and structured around three common discussion questions;

Coffee Break (16:15 – 16:45)

- Part 3 (16:45 - 19:00): Reconvening of the plenary
 - Informal summary by Bureau officers on the key themes emerging from the breakout discussions (15 minutes);
 - Resumption of formal plenary and statements from PCB members, participants, and observers (1 hour 45 minutes)
 - Chair closes the Agenda Item and adoption of decisions if agreed (15 minutes)

3. Timetable

Time	Segment	Content	Notes / Logistics
		Part 1 – Formal plenary session, including reflections by the Co-Facilitators on the interim report and an opportunity for questions and answers;	

Time	Segment	Content	Notes / Logistics
13:00 – 13:45	PLENARY (WHO Executive Board Room)	Opening & Co-Facilitators' Reflections on the Interim Report and Q&A Chair opens the session. Co-Facilitators present key findings and reflection on the interim report followed by a Q&A	
13:45 – 14:45 Lunch Break and transition to breakout rooms (Salles A, B and C). PCB Chair suspends formal session to be resumed in plenary at 16:45			
Part 2 - Suspension of the formal plenary and convening of three simultaneous informal breakout sessions (hybrid format), facilitated by Bureau officers and structured around three common discussion questions;			
14:45 – 16:15	INFORMAL BREAKOUT ROOMS (Hybrid 90 min) PCB members, Participants and Observers reconvene in Salle A, B and C in assigned breakout rooms during lunch. Facilitation by Bureau Officers	Break Out Rooms Hybrid (see the designation in the division, as provided in the personalized email sent prior to the PCB): Salle A – 1 st Floor Salle B – 3 rd Floor Salle C – 5 th Floor PCB Members, Participants and Observers to be assigned in in a balanced groups by region and constituency, in-person and virtual. Facilitator to engage virtual and in-person in equal and balanced way. All three rooms discuss the same three questions (30 min per question)	Room assignments for Salle A, B and C according to personalized mail received by participants on the 26 June 2026. Salle A will have interpretation in English, French and Chinese ■ Hybrid setup: virtual participants join via dedicated room links.
16:15 - 16:45	BREAK	Coffee Break & Return to Plenary	

Time	Segment	Content	Notes / Logistics
Part 3 – Plenary Resumed: PCB Members, Participants and Observers Statements			
16:45 - 18:45	PLENARY (WHO Executive Board Room)	• Informal summary by Bureau officers on the key themes emerging from the breakout discussions. • Resumption of formal plenary and statements from PCB members, participants, and observers.	120 minutes (PCB members and Participants first followed by Observers – 2m per speaker)
18:45 - 19:00	CLOSURE	Chair closes the Agenda Item and adoption of decisions if agreed	

4. Questions proposed by the Chair for the consideration of PCB Bureau and EXD

The proposed questions were discussed at the PCB Bureau meeting on 15 June 2026, and approved electronically by Bureau members further to the meeting:

1. What are the critical elements that should inform the transition of the current Secretariat core functions to enhance accountability, capacity, meaningful engagement and collaboration of the Secretariat, Cosponsors and civil society?
2. How can we best align the UNAIDS transition with the key objectives of the UN80 initiative to improve efficiency and impact, while ensuring an integrated and multisectoral HIV response at global, regional, and country levels?
3. In a shrinking funding environment, what level of financing is required to sustain an effective Joint Programme and support the global HIV response, without jeopardizing long-term goals or creating risks from chronic underfunding?

5. Breakout Room Discussion

All three breakout rooms will address the same three questions. Questions were discussed and agreed with the Co-facilitators following agreement of framing with PCB Bureau and the Executive Director. Questions need to be circulated to PCB members at least 10 working days prior to the 58th PCB to allow for appropriate preparations. The discussion will be recorded and summarised by independent report writers.

The Bureau officers NDL, PHL and KEN are elected by the Board and have legitimate leadership role and also provide regional diversity to the facilitation of the three groups. The Secretariat will support each facilitator to ensure that engagement is balanced and across regions and constituencies. Facilitators are responsible for ensuring all constituencies can participate.