

Establishing the Global Alliance on Highly Hazardous Pesticides (GAHHPs)

Date: Friday 27th June, 2025

Time: 13:00 – 13:45

Modality: Hybrid

Co-organized by: The Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO), United Nations Development Programme (UNDP); United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP); and the World Health Organization (WHO) in collaboration with the United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR).

Context

Resolution V11 of the GFC endorses the establishment of a global alliance on highly hazardous pesticides with coordination led by FAO, UNDP, UNEP and WHO. A draft operational framework for the alliance was prepared by the UN group and distributed to over 500 potential alliance members following a webinar in April 2025, with an online survey to help revise the document. Stakeholder responses were used to revise the operational framework and to gauge stakeholder expectations for the alliance. Based on stakeholder feedback, it was determined that interim arrangements will be required before the alliance can be established. Furthermore, stakeholders' concerns that multiple sectors should be well represented in the governance structure and during development of the alliance action plan were noted.

This event will give stakeholders an opportunity to give their inputs to finalize the operational framework, to express their interests to participate in interim arrangements, and to determine the mechanism for developing the alliance action plan. The event will allow stakeholders to determine the next steps of the alliance with the support of a facilitatory panel.

Session Objectives

This event will update stakeholders, including online participants, on progress in establishing a Global Alliance on Highly Hazardous Pesticides and provides an opportunity to finalize the alliance operational framework for the alliance. Stakeholders will also have an opportunity to express their interests in participating in interim

arrangements before establishment of the alliance and to define mechanisms for developing the alliance action plan.

The session objectives include:

1. To finalize an operational framework for the Global Alliance on Highly Hazardous Pesticides based on stakeholder feedback
2. To outline the next steps for establishing the Global Alliance on Highly Hazardous Pesticides, including possible interim arrangements (i.e., a stakeholder focal group)
3. To open discussion on the mechanisms for developing the alliance action plan.

Agenda

Time	Program
13:00 - 13:05	Opening Remarks Hilda Van Der Veen, UNDP (Event moderator)
13:05 - 13:10	Scene Setting Global alliance on highly hazardous pesticides operational framework and interim arrangements: Finbarr Horgan, FAO
13:10 - 13:30	<i>Stakeholder Engagement through a Facilitation Panel</i> 3 Panellists (TBC) • Global alliance on highly hazardous pesticides operational framework • Interim arrangements and nominations for participation • Mechanisms for developing an alliance action plan and establishing technical working groups
13:40 - 13:45	Closing Remarks Hilda Van Der Veen, UNDP