

ATACH High-Level Strategic Meeting

Organized by the **French Ministry of Health, Families, Autonomy, and People with Disabilities, the World Health Organization (WHO), and the ATACH Secretariat**. This is a high-level in-person event organized under the French Presidency of the G7 in 2026.

*Location: Pierre Laroque Conference Room at the headquarters of the **Ministry of Health, Families, Autonomy, and People with Disabilities of the French Republic**,
14 Avenue Duquesne, 7th arrondissement, **Paris, France***

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[The Alliance for Transformative Action on Climate and Health](#) (ATACH), led by the World Health Organization (WHO), brings together more than 100 countries and over 100 partners who prioritize strengthening action on climate change and health at the national level. ATACH's mandate is to identify and address the needs and priorities of countries, as well as to mobilize the collective strength of countries, partners, and other stakeholders to advance this agenda at scale.

Since its establishment in 2022, ATACH has gained international momentum as a global platform for collaboration on the implementation of priorities arising from global climate and health initiatives. ATACH's priorities have included those promoted by various presidencies of the Conference of the Parties (COP) to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC), notably:

- COP26 (United Kingdom) initiatives on sustainable, climate-resilient, and low-carbon health systems;
- The Initiative for Climate Action and Nutrition (I-CAN), launched at COP27;
- The COP28 Health Declaration;
- The resolution of the Seventy-Seventh World Health Assembly (WHA) on climate change and health, as well as the WHO Global Action Plan on Climate and Health;
- and the Belém Health Action Plan (BHAP) from COP30.

In this context, and as part of its G7 presidency, France launched the “One Health & Beyond” initiative at the One Health Summit held on April 7. Supported by a coalition of 14 countries and 5 international organizations, this initiative aims to position health as a driver of climate action and systemic resilience. It seeks to support the integration of the “One Health” approach into national climate planning instruments and to help shape future climate policy cycles, including the second Global Stocktake (GST2).

Objectives of the Meeting

As part of France’s G7 presidency in 2026, the French Ministry of Health, Families, Autonomy, and People with Disabilities will host a one-day high-level meeting with the following objectives:

1. Renew the health sector’s high-level commitment to sustainable, low-carbon health systems that are resilient to climate change and provide strategic guidance on priorities requiring enhanced action.
2. Strengthen linkages with other sectors, particularly the environmental sector, to implement the “Health in All Policies” approach and integrate health into climate discussions, in accordance with [the multi-stakeholder “One Health & Beyond” Declaration](#).
3. Support the positioning of “One Health & Beyond” as a policy and operational framework contributing to the implementation of global climate and health commitments, complementing the ATACH and existing COP outcomes.
4. Share the most significant and successful examples of climate action implementation at the health systems level, with special focus on the COP30 Belém Health Action Plan (BHAP).
5. Identify countries’ needs and priorities for the ATACH, as well as the opportunities and challenges related to advancing implementation at the national level and assess the impacts of the collective actions proposed by the ATACH.

Preliminary agenda for the meeting

Duration	Agenda item	Speakers
9:15-10:00	High-Level Opening	<p>H.E. Dr. Stéphanie Rist, Minister of Health, Families, Autonomy, and People with Disabilities, French Republic</p> <p>Dr. Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus, Director-General of the World Health Organization (video)</p> <p>COP 30, 31 and 32 Presidencies representatives (5 min each)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Dr. Agnes Soares da Silva, Director of the Department of Environmental Health Surveillance and Workers' Health, Ministry of Health, Federative Republic of Brazil - Dr. Aziz Alper Biten, Director General for EU and Foreign Affairs, Ministry of Health, Republic of Türkiye <p>Interventions from G7 countries high level representatives (3 min each)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - H.E. Ms. Nathalie G. Drouin, Ambassador of Canada to France - H.E. Mr. Tomosaburo Esaki, Deputy Chief of Mission, Embassy of Japan in France <p><i>Moderator:</i> Dr. Maria Neira, ATACH High-Level Champion</p>
10:00- 11:00	Follow-up to the One Health Summit and the “One Health & Beyond” Declaration: From Political Momentum to Implementation Pathways, Integrating Health into Climate Governance Frameworks (National Determined Contributions (NDCs), National action plan (NAP))	<p>H.E. Mr. Mustapha Ferjani, Minister of Health, Republic of Tunisia</p> <p>H.E. Mr. Benoit Faraco, French Ambassador for climate negotiations, decarbonized energy and risk prevention (video)</p>

	<p>and the second Global Stocktake (GST2)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Collective recognition of the need to better integrate “One Health” considerations into national climate policy frameworks (NDC, NAP and other relevant instruments) • Strengthening exchange among peers and the sharing of experiences, including early lessons learned from countries making progress in integrating health into climate policies • Transition of the “One Health & Beyond” coalition from a policy initiative to an action-oriented coalition • Strengthening coordination with ATACH as an implementation platform 	<p>Dr. Jean Kaseya, Director General, Africa Centres for Disease Control and Prevention (Africa CDC) (video/online)</p> <p>Ms. Elisabeth Dibongue, Secretary General, PREZODE initiative (Preventing Zoonotic Disease Emergence)</p> <p>Dr Emmanuelle Soubeyran, Director General, World Organisation for Animal Health</p> <p>Interventions from G7 Members on the One Health Summit Deliverables</p> <p><i>Moderator:</i> Mr. Philippe Depredurand, Deputy Director for International Affairs at the French Ministry for Ecological Transition</p>
11:00-11:15	Coffee break	
11:15-12:00	<p>State of ATACH progress to date and priorities going forward</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • State of the art Climate change and Health (15 min) • ATACH Secretariat update (10 min) • ATACH Operational Strategy <p>Intervention by countries (3 min each)</p>	<p>Dr. Diarmid Campbell-Lendrum, Head, Climate Change, Air Quality, Energy and Health Unit, WHO</p> <p>Ms. Elena Villalobos Prats, ATACH Secretariat Lead, WHO</p> <p>Professor Nick Watts, Director, Center for Sustainable Medicine, National University of Singapore</p> <p>Intervention by countries:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Dr. Hussain Alrand, Assistant Undersecretary, Public Health Sector, United Arab Emirates - Dr. Le Thai Ha, Deputy Director General, Ministry of Health, Socialist Republic of Viet Nam
12:00-13:00	<p>High-Level Segment – Recommendations for ATACH and commitments to accelerate progress on financing the implementation of climate change and health-related interventions</p>	<p>Roundtable discussion with Ministers of Health:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - H.E. Dr. Ibrahima Sy, Minister of Health and Public Hygiene, Republic of Senegal - H.E. Dr. Élia Antonio de Araújo dos Reis Amaral, Minister of

		<p>Health, Democratic Republic of Timor-Leste</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - H.E. Dr. María Teresa Barán, Minister of Public Health and Social Welfare, Republic of Paraguay <p>Interventions from the floor by senior representatives of partner organizations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Dr. Tamer Samah Rabie, Program Manager, Health Systems, Resilience, World Bank Group - Dr. Karlee Silver, Chief Executive Officer, Grand Challenges Canada - Ms. Arthy Hartwell, Acting Head of Policy, Climate & Health, Wellcome Trust <p><i>Moderator:</i> Mr. Camille Perreand, Deputy Director of Health and Social Protection Division, French Development Agency/ Agence Française de Développement (AFD)</p>
13:00-14:00	Lunch break	
14:00-15:00	<p>High-Level Segment – Recommendations for ATACH and commitments to accelerate progress toward building climate-resilient, low-carbon health systems, including supply chains</p>	<p>Roundtable discussion with Ministers of Health:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - H.E. Mr. Sardar Md. Sakhawat Husain, Minister of Health and Family Welfare, People’s Republic of Bangladesh - H.E. Dr. Gloria Balboa, Undersecretary, Department of Health, Republic of the Philippines - H.E. Ms. Anita van den Ende, Vice-Minister of Health, Welfare and Sport, Kingdom of the Netherlands <p>Interventions from the floor by senior representatives of partners organizations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Dr. Vincent Bretin, Director of Results and Climate, Unitaïd - Ms. Sandrine Bouttier Stef, Director General, Sustainable Markets Initiative (SMI)/Sanofi - Ms. Elina Suzuki, Health Policy Analyst, Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD)

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ms. Suvi Huikuri, Policy Specialist, Climate and Health, United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) <p><i>Moderator:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ms. Charlotte Biswas, Deputy Director- Head of Human Development Department, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office (FCDO), United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland
15:00 – 16:00	High-Level Segment – Recommendations for ATACH and Commitments to Strengthen Progress on Intersectoral Collaboration for Health	Roundtable discussion with Ministers of Health: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - H.E. Dr. Douglas Tendai Mombeshora, Minister of Health and Child Care, Republic of Zimbabwe - H.E. Ms. Khadeeja Abdul Samad Abdulla, Minister of State for Health, Family and Welfare, Republic of Maldives - Dr. Héctor Tejero, Head of Health and Climate Change in the Minister’s Cabinet, Ministry of Health, Kingdom of Spain <p>Interventions from the floor by senior representatives of partners organizations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Dr. Marina Romanello, Executive Director, Lancet Countdown on Health and Climate Change - Dr. Fawzia Rasheed, Climate and Environment Lead, Aga Khan Health Services - Ms. Monica Ferro, Chief, London Office, UNFPA <p><i>Moderator: TBC</i></p>
16:00 – 16:15	Coffee break	
16:15-17:15	Discussion on mainstreaming health and climate considerations across sectors and audiences to foster collaboration and inclusive action	Roundtable discussion with representatives from civil society and other partners: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Mr. Abdul-Fatawu Salifu, ATACH Champion for patients and communities - Ms. Margaux Mannaerts, Belgian UN Youth Delegate for Climate

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ms. Emily Bancroft, Chief Executive Officer, Health Care Without Harm - Dr. Cecilia Ferreyra, Deputy International Medical Secretary, Médecins Sans Frontières (MSF) - Mr. Benoit Miribel, President, One Sustainable Health for All Foundation <p><i>Moderator: Dr. Jérôme Weinbach, Deputy Director for European and International Affairs, Social Ministries, France</i></p>
17:15 – 17:30	Points for consideration and closing remarks	<p>Dr. Jeremy Farrar, Assistant Director-General, Health Promotion, Disease Prevention and Care, World Health Organization (online)</p> <p>H.E. Stéphanie Rist, Minister of Health, Families, Independence, and People with Disabilities, French Republic</p>
18:00 – 20:30	Cocktail reception and networking	

Expected outcomes of the meeting:

1. Agreement on a “One Health and Beyond” work plan in preparation for COP31 and COP32;
2. Increase awareness on the One Health and Beyond Initiative and the process France will follow to increase its membership;
3. Socialization of the ATACH 2027–2029 strategy;
4. Release of preliminary findings of the Global Climate and Health Survey 2025;
5. Discussion on a potential ATACH multi-donors trust fund proposal;
6. Announcement of new commitments by ATACH partners.

Target audience:

G7 Ministry of Environment and Ministry of Health representatives – ATACH Champion Ministers and senior representatives, other key ATACH partners (international organizations, civil societies, philanthropic organizations and private sector)-representatives of other critical sectors.