The World Health Summit is one of the world’s most prominent forums for Global Health and draws international experts from academia, politics, the private sector, and civil society to Berlin. The conference takes place within an atmosphere of academic freedom and is the premiere platform for exploring strategic developments and decisions in the area of healthcare. The World Health Summit was founded in 2009 on the occasion of the 300th anniversary of Berlin’s Charité Hospital.

Patronage
The World Health Summit is traditionally held under the patronage of:

- Angela Merkel, Chancellor of the Federal Republic of Germany
- Emmanuel Macron, President of the French Republic
- Jean-Claude Juncker, President of the European Commission

Participants and Network
The World Health Summit community is a fast-growing network of 25,000+ opinion leaders and health protagonists from over 120 countries and 9,500 organizations.

The interdisciplinary conference attracts international experts, including:

- Leading scientists
- Nobel laureates
- Ministers and civil servants
- CEOs from industry and civil society
- High-ranking UN, WHO and NGO officials
- Young professionals and students

Session Formats

**Keynote**
- 90 minutes
- Max. 5 speakers
- Up to 800 participants

**Panel Discussion**
- 90 minutes
- Max. 6 speakers
- Up to 300 participants

**Workshop**
- 90 minutes
- Max. 6 speakers
- Up to 250 participants

Topics 2019

- The SGOD Global Action Plan for Health and Well-Being
- Universal Health Coverage: Expanding Rights and Access
- The Future of Health Policy in the G7/G20
- Transforming Human Capital: Investing in Health & Education
- Targeted Therapies: The Future of Cancer Treatment?
- Digital Health: From Artificial Intelligence to Nanotechnologies
- Research and Development for Infectious Diseases
- Mental Health as a Global Health Priority
- Focus Africa: Building Capacities and Strong Institutions

Initiatives

- Startup Track
- New Voices in Global Health
- IAP Young Physician Leaders

M8 Alliance
The M8 Alliance is a unique network of 25 leading international academic health centers, universities and research institutions from 18 countries, including the InterAcademy Partnership, which represents all National Academies of medicine and science. The M8 Alliance acts as the academic backbone for the World Health Summit.

In addition to the World Health Summit in October in Berlin, the M8 Alliance organizes Regional Meetings each spring and various Expert Meetings in different parts of the world.

Upcoming Regional Meetings

- 2019 Iran
- 2020 Uganda

50 SESSIONS · 300 SPEAKERS · 2,500 PARTICIPANTS