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## Minister of Health's Meeting with WHO Regional Director for Europe





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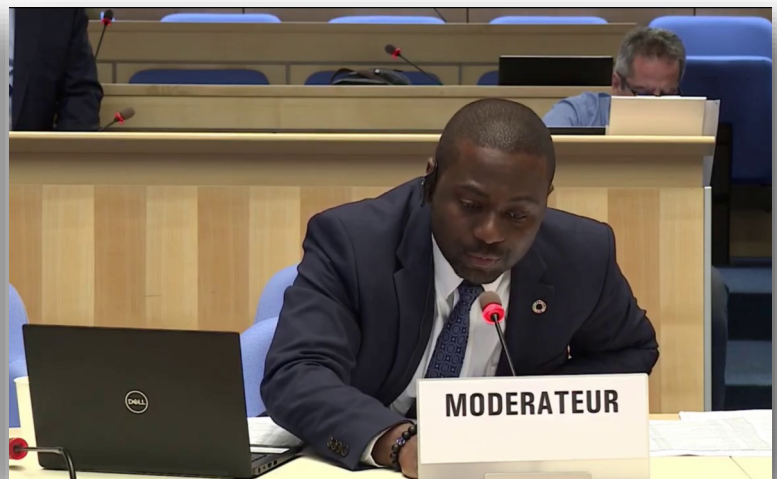


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## 73<sup>rd</sup> World Health Assembly

The 73<sup>rd</sup> World Health Assembly was held on May 18-19, 2020 as video conference. Minister of Health, Dr. Fahrettin Koca, attended the WHA and delivered a speech. In his speech, Koca detailed how Turkey had successfully come out of this challenging test of COVID-19.

He pointed out that Turkey was ready to share its experiences and to be a part of a global solution. At the 73<sup>rd</sup> World Health Assembly, a draft decision that invites the WHO and member states to cooperate against COVID-19 was adopted.







## Minister of Health's Meeting with WHO Regional Director for Europe

**M**inister of Health, Dr. Fahrettin Koca had a meeting with WHO Regional Director for Europe, Dr. Hans Kluge on May 13, 2020. In the meeting, which was held upon the invitation of Dr. Hans Kluge, Minister Koca provided information

about Turkey's successful response against COVID-19 and normalization efforts. The two parties exchanged views on the current situation of COVID-19 and discussed normalization efforts in Region's countries.





## Deputy Minister of Health's Video Conference with Rospotrebnadzor Experts from the Russian Federation

The scientific committee delegation chaired by the Deputy Minister of Health, Prof. Emine Alp Meşe, had a video conference with Russian experts chaired by Anna Popova, head of the Federal Service for Surveillance on Consumer Rights Protection and Human Wellbeing (Rospotrebnadzor) of the Russian Federation to discuss measures to take against COVID-19 and avenues of cooperation.

The two delegations discussed scientific and technical cooperation of Turkish and Russian experts and signing an agreement between the two countries in line with the video conference held between the President of the Russian Federation, Vladimir Putin, and President Erdogan, where the two leaders agreed upon joining efforts for diagnostic kit and vaccine development.







## Deputy Minister of Health's Video Conference with WHO European Region Countries

**D**eputy Minister of Health, Prof. Emine Alp Meşe, WHO Regional Director for Europe and representatives of member states had a video

conference on May 8, 2020 to exchange views on Turkey's normalization efforts following the first phase of the COVID-19 pandemic.







## Financial Cooperation Coordination Board Meeting

**W**ithin the framework of IPA-III, efforts of which are ongoing with contribution from the Ministry of Health and under the coordination of the Presidency of EU of MoFA, a draft project list was drawn up for the months of January and February and 2021 and 2022 programming efforts were officially kicked off following European Commission letter dated April 27, 2020. Within this framework, the project proposal for 2021 and 2022 is expected to be presented to the EU Delegation to Turkey by the end of June 2020.

The video conference meeting of the Financial Cooperation Coordination Board, which was established to take decisions on the effective, purposeful and timely use of the EU funds allocated under the Instrument for Pre-Accession Assistance and to inform institutions on developments in financial cooperation, was held on May 13, 2020 and attended by a delegation chaired by Dr. Selami Kılıç, the Director-General of EU and Foreign Relations.



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