



# building trust for global health

PARLIAMENTARIANS' LEADERSHIP FOR CHANGE

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🖉 JW Marriott Hotel, Berlin, Germany

## about the



The UNITE Global Summit is the world's leading Forum for **forging partnerships between parliamentarians** and **leaders** from the **global health community**.

Leading parliamentarians from across the world will gather with experts from civil society, affected communities, international organizations and academia to discuss the most pressing issues in **Global Health** and set the **political agenda** for the year(s) to come.



## collaboration with the

## World Health Summit

In 2024, the World Health Summit and the UNITE Global Summit will **join efforts** and partner for an **additional conference day**, in Berlin, with the aim of placing global health at the highest level of the political agenda.

The World Health Summit and UNITE intend to **catalyze exchanges** between parliamentarians and relevant stakeholders in global health, better aligning **policymaking** with the main discussions, outcomes and recommendations resulting from WHS 2024.



"Trust" will be a key topic for the UNITE Global Summit. **Political Trust** is central to any and all political action. A decrease in the trustworthiness of politicians and the democratic system (e.g., their credibility, fairness, competence, transparency) is apparent, hindering policymaking.

The UNITE Global Summit, thus, becomes the **paramount occasion** for parliamentarians from across the world to meet and engage experts. An opportunity to ensure activities are aligned and reflect national and global needs and standards, **grounded in evidence**, thus enabling more **effective responses** to public concerns.

The UNITE Global Summit's agenda will be divided into four main pillars which cover relevant global health topics of the hour, reflecting the main topics highlighted during WHS 2024, as well. These main pillars include UNITE's **three core strategic themes**:



What can Parliamentarians do to turn science into evidence-based policy? What do Parliamentarians need from the global health community to achieve this goal?

#### PILLAR I: Human Rights & Equitable Access to Health

Despite all communities, regardless of the country, being susceptible to disease, there are severe disparities in regard to access to health services and to healthcare outcomes when it comes to **vulnerable groups**.

The right to health is legally binding а commitment enshrined international in human rights instruments and worldwide. recognized Governments should develop and implement policies that ensure universal access to quality health services.

How can parliamentarians **prioritise** vulnerable populations when developing **health policies**?

> What role does **i n t e r n a t i o n a l cooperation** play in achieving Universal Health Coverage (UHC)?

#### **PILLAR II: Global Health Architecture & Security**

The most effective – and **cost effective** – way to protect populations from known and unknown health threats is to stop them before they spread.

As the world's **interconnectedness** continues to evolve, the **effectiveness** of the global health architecture and security remains paramount in safeguarding the **prosperity** of nations across borders.

How can parliamentarians support the fight against **Antimicrobial Resistance**?

How does the global health architecture address the **intersectionality** between health, climate change and other global threats?

#### PILLAR III: Strengthening of Healthcare Systems

The development of modern, agile, and qualitative health systems is for addressing kev health challenges and fostering wellbeing for all. Health systems are poised undergo а profound to transformation. largely driven by advancements in digital technology.

Embracing these advancements is crucial for the sustainability and effectiveness of health systems worldwide, heralding a future where healthcare is truly patient-centered, efficient, and equitable.

# How can parliamentarians leverage the development of **health technologies**?

How can parliamentarians support health systems and society **recognise new health needs**, such as mental health?

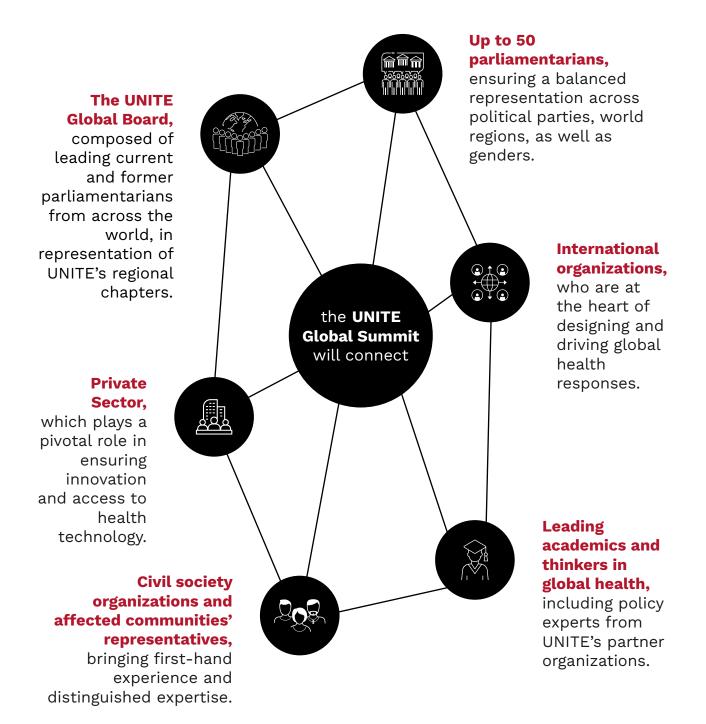
#### PILLAR IV: Sustainable Financing for Health

Ensuring the protection of communities and the resilience of healthcare systems hinges on sustainable financing for health. Countries across the world differ significantly how thev on organise and finance national health systems. with extremes going fully State-funded models to fully private-funded or even supported exclusively almost international by development aid.

Therefore, **prioritizing** sustainable, long-term funding mechanisms that can support **equitable** and **affordable** healthcare services for all, while mitigating financial strain is key. How can **innovative financing models** support countries in **expanding** support for global health and help LMICs **transition** away from overdependence on Official Development Assistance?

How can parliamentarians prioritize the financing of primary health care?

# who is **attending**





The UNITE Global Summit seeks to have a **parliamentary-centric vision**, fostering dynamic and flexible debates that enhance political action on global health topics, allowing parliamentarians to better understand the context associated with global and national health issues.

Therefore, the Summit will include innovative formats of interaction networking, that promote the exchange of experiences and expertise with policymakers:





**Keynote Speech:** Throughout the UNITE Global Summit, Keynote Speeches **will introduce** and set the moto for each of the ensuing discussions, providing context on the **relevance and urgency** of the chosen topic.

**ParliamentaryInquiry:** A parliamentary inquiry offers parliamentarians a platform to pose **direct questions** to key stakeholders and acquire **insights** on specific topics. During the inquiries, experts will provide valuable **guidance** to inform UNITE members and shape future actions on a global, regional, and national scale.

### attend the

opening dinner

UNITE will host an **exclusive dinner** at the **German Bundestag**, offering a unique and unparalleled opportunity for global health leaders to forge and deepen **meaningful connections**.



Against the backdrop of one of Germany's most iconic landmarks, this event not only symbolizes the strength of international cooperation but aims to serve as a **catalyst** for new collaborative initiatives that extend beyond the UNITE Global Summit.

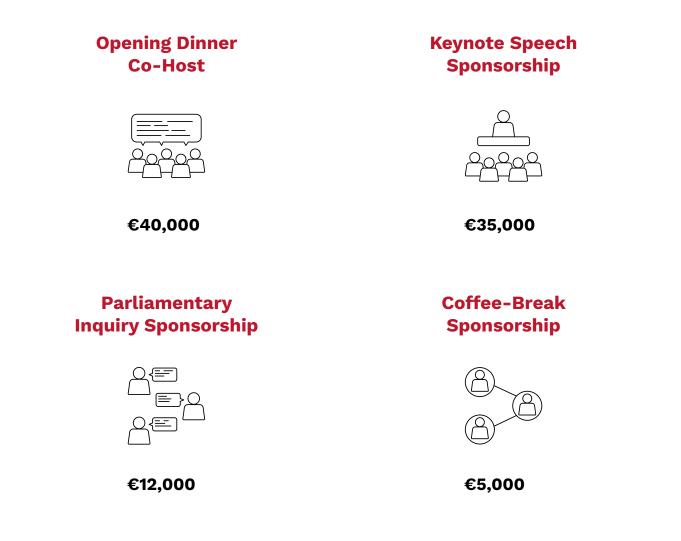


As the German Bundestag opens its doors for this exceptional evening, it becomes a symbol of unity, diplomacy, and **shared commitment** to addressing global health challenges.

October 15<sup>th</sup> 2024German Bundestag

## are you interested?

If your organization is interested in partnering with UNITE, for the UNITE Global Summit 2024, there are numerous sponsorship opportunities awaiting your consideration:



#### **IMPORTANT CONSIDERATIONS**

- Each organisation sponsoring either a Keynote Speech or a Parliamentary Inquiry will have the possibility of selecting a representative from another partner organisation to participate in their place, if previously agreed to with UNITE, and if in line with the thematic topics chosen.
- For the UNITE Global Summit, UNITE is imposing restrictions when it comes to partnering with either Tobacco, Alcohol or Arms companies.
- All sponsors will be acknowledged on the UNITE Global Summit 2024 post-event report.









If your organisation would like to have a greater role at the UNITE Global Summit, please contact Joana Perez, **joana.perez@unitenetwork.org** and Gonçalo Pinto Mendes, **goncalo.pintomendes@unitenetwork.org** to learn how we can make that happen.

#### ABOUT THE UNITE PARLIAMENTARIANS NETWORK FOR GLOBAL HEALTH



UNITE is a non-profit, non-partisan, global network of current and former parliamentarians from multinational, national, state, and regional Parliaments. Congresses, and Senates. committed towards the promotion of evidence-based and sustainable policies for improved global health systems, in alignment Nations Sustainable with the United Development Goals (SDGs).

#### **ABOUT THE WORLD HEALTH SUMMIT (WHS)**



The **World Health Summit** is the unique international strategic forum for global health. It brings together stakeholders from politics, science, the private sector, and civil society from around the world to set the agenda for a healthier future by inspiring innovative solutions for better health and wellbeing for all.



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