



Joint statement to the 70th session of the World Health Assembly on the Outcome of the Second International Conference on Nutrition, Agenda item 15.4 (A70/30)

World Cancer Research Fund International, supported by NCD Alliance, welcomes the Biennial report on the follow-up to the Second International Conference on Nutrition and congratulates the WHO on developing the work programme of the Decade of Action on Nutrition.

The Nutrition Decade is a key opportunity for Member States to consolidate action and accelerate progress towards achieving international commitments and nutrition targets to tackle malnutrition in all its forms, including overweight and obesity and diet-related NCDs, and promoting healthy diets.

We welcome the progress which has been made in the follow up actions by Member States and UN agencies, but are mindful that achievement of global nutrition and NCD targets by 2025 is off track. We urge Member States to increase investment in nutrition and NCDs, and strategically align priorities across the health, agriculture, commerce and trade, education, finance and social sector to act effectively across the six cross-cutting and connected action areas of the Nutrition Decade to further policy coherence.

We therefore call on Member States to welcome the report and make SMART commitments to develop, strengthen and implement ambitious and multi-sectoral nutrition and NCD policies, programmes and plans as part of the Nutrition Decade.

NCD Alliance and WCRF International have developed a policy brief on SMART commitments for overweight, obesity and diet-related NCDs to support Member States in this regard. We re-commit to working with WHO and Member States to implement effective integrated action in the Nutrition Decade.