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INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON Environmental and Occupational Determinants of Cancer:

Interventions for Primary Prevention

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Overall objective

To develop a policy framework for the primary prevention of environmental and occupational cancers and further mobilize public health and scientific communities and civil society towards that end.

Specific objectives

- A. Review key policy options and environmental interventions that have proven successful for the primary prevention of selected cancers.
- **B.** Identify gaps in and means to promote existing interventions in scientific, social mobilization, policy, legislation and communication arenas.
- **C. Promote innovative approaches to strengthen primary prevention** of environmental and occupational cancers.

Expected outcomes following the conference

- Set of policy options and effective interventions for the primary prevention of selected causes of cancer.
- Key messages to the media and the public to raise awareness about the environmental and occupational causes of cancer.
- Establishment of a coordinated network of institutions for primary prevention of environment-related cancer, involving scientific experts, professional societies, NGOs, academic and governmental institutions, media and others.
- Release and dissemination of a collective "Call to Action" for the primary prevention of cancer.

More information:

 $www.who.int/phe/news/events/international_conference/en/index.html$

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TARGET AUDIENCE

• Day 1:

Public health scientists and epidemiologists, health promotion and behavioural specialists, NGOs, policy-makers and government representatives.

• Day 2:

Representatives of civil society, NGOs and advocacy groups, trade unions, private sector, professional associations and cancer networks, including patient groups, and media.

Organized in collaboration with the International Agency for Research on Cancer (IARC), the Union for International Cancer Control (UICC) and the Fundación Sandra Ibarra de Solidaridad Frente al Cáncer; and hosted by the Ministry of Health, Social Policy and Equality and the Government of the Principality of Asturias, Spain.

