

ISR Appointed to Steering Committee of WHO Global Diagnostics Coalition

The International Society of Radiology (ISR), a Non-State Actor in official relations with the World Health Organization (WHO), has been actively engaged in the WHO Global Diagnostics Coalition (GDC) since its establishment following adoption of World Health Assembly (WHA) Resolution 76.5 on *Strengthening Diagnostics Capacity* in 2023.

Recognizing the importance of medical imaging in improving global health, WHO appointed ISR to the Coalition's newly formed 20-member Steering Committee in December 2026. This Steering Committee provides strategic direction and supports implementation of WHO initiatives to expand access to essential diagnostics worldwide.

This appointment represents an important opportunity for ISR to help shape global diagnostic policy, particularly as Member States implement the 2025 World Health Assembly resolution on *Strengthening Medical Imaging Capacity (WHA78.13)*. Through the GDC, ISR contributes radiology's perspective to global efforts aimed at improving equitable access to safe, high-quality diagnostic services – including imaging – especially in low- and middle-income countries.

ISR will be represented on the Steering Committee by Dr. Hedvig (Hedi) Hricak, ISR Béclère Medalist and newly appointed ISR Liaison for Global Imaging Access. ""