



Scientific Council
Sixty-second Session

SC/62/1
11 February 2026

Lyon, 11–13 February 2026
Auditorium

AGENDA

Item	Title (attendance)	Document No.
1.	Opening of the Session (all)	SC/62/1
2.	Election of Rapporteur (all)	
3.	Adoption of the Agenda (all)	
4.	Presentation of e-posters by IARC scientists [5-minute presentation, 5-minute questions, 5-minute feedback by SC members per poster] (SC will be split into groups) (all)	
5.	Biennial Report 2024–2025 (all)	SC/62/2
6.	Discussion on the Director's Report including: 6a. Highlights from the 67 th Session of the Governing Council (all) 6b. Director's update from the 61 st Session of the Scientific Council (all)	Director's Report
7.	Biennial Report on IARC education and training activities, 2024–2025 (all)	SC/62/3
8.	Request for support from the Governing Council Special Fund	SC/62/4
9.	Scientific Focus: Laboratory-based research (all)	SC/62/5
10.	Regular update on IRCC Initiative for Resilience in Cancer Control (all)	SC/62/6
11.	Update on data science activities (all)	SC/62/7
12.	Update - IARC@60 Anniversary (all)	
13.	Drafting of the day's report (<i>restricted attendance</i>)	
14.	Overall feedback on e-posters from SC (all)	

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15.	Roundtable discussions: “Co-creating the future of cancer research” (themes 1 & 2) (all)	
16.	Presentation of the MTS (2026–2030) (including the prioritization scenario) (all)	SC/62/8
17.	Scientific Council membership of 2027 Review Panels: Cancer Surveillance (CSU) Branch, Head: Dr Freddie Bray and Environment and Lifestyle Epidemiology (ENV) Branch, Head: Dr Joachim Schüz (all)	
Restricted attendance for items 18–24		
18.	Director’s response to the Epigenomics and Mechanisms Branch (EGM) Review, held remotely in January 2025 (details of actions taken)	Director's response to RP EGM
19.	Director’s response to the Early Detection, Prevention and Infections Branch (EPR) Review, held remotely in January 2025 (details of actions taken)	Director's response to RP EPR
20.	Scientific Report of the Genomic Epidemiology (GEM) Branch Review; Branch Head’s response; DIR’s response and discussion	
21.	Finalization/endorsement by SC of GEM Review Report	SC/62/WP2
22.	Drafting of the day’s report	
23.	Finalization of Scientific Council Report	
24.	Presentation of Report to the Director, plus discussion on issues arising and correction of factual errors	
25.	Election of Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson for the 63 rd Session of the Scientific Council (all)	
26.	Date of next Session (all)	
27.	Adoption of the Scientific Council Report (all)	SC/62/9
28.	Closure of Session (all)	