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## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

With the rising prevalence of noncommunicable diseases and injuries and the ageing population, there is a substantial and ever-increasing unmet need for rehabilitation. In many parts of the world, however, the capacity to provide rehabilitation is limited or non-existent and fails to adequately address the needs of the population.

With its objective of optimizing functioning, rehabilitation supports those with health conditions to remain as independent as possible, to participate in education, to be economically productive, and fulfil meaningful life roles. As such, the availability of accessible and affordable rehabilitation plays a fundamental role in achieving Sustainable Development Goal (SDG) 3, “Ensure healthy lives and promote well-being for all at all ages”.

The barriers to scaling up rehabilitation indicate a need for greater awareness and advocacy, increased investment into rehabilitation workforce and infrastructure, and improved leadership and governance structures. The magnitude and scope of these unmet needs signals an urgent need for concerted and coordinated global action by all stakeholders.

## OBJECTIVES

1. To draw attention to the increasing needs for rehabilitation.
2. To highlight the role of rehabilitation in achieving the SDGs.
3. To call for coordinated and concerted global action towards strengthening rehabilitation in health systems.



## OUTCOMES

Rehabilitation 2030: A Call For Action,

**FOSTERED AWARENESS** of the need to strengthen rehabilitation in health systems to meet the existing and future needs of populations.

**HIGHLIGHTED THE ROLE** of different stakeholder groups in contributing to the rehabilitation agenda.

**DEMONSTRATED THE IMPORTANCE** of rehabilitation across WHO strategies and in the achievement of Sustainable Development Goal 3.

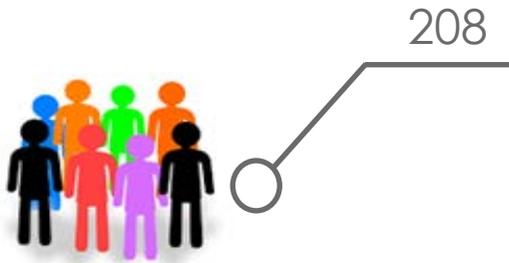
**SHED LIGHT ON** the approaches to implementing rehabilitation services in countries, using examples from Chile, Germany, Pakistan and the Philippines.

## CONTENTS OF THIS REPORT

This report summarizes the key messages of the various sessions in chronological order. The Call for Action, translated into French, Spanish and Russian, the agenda, participant list and infographic of Rehabilitation in health systems can be found in the annexes. Background papers and the concept note, as well as the video, Rehabilitation in the 21<sup>st</sup> century, can be found online (<https://www.who.int/news-room/events/detail/2017/02/06/default-calendar/rehabilitation-2030-a-call-for-action>).

## REHABILITATION 2030 PARTICIPANTS IN NUMBERS

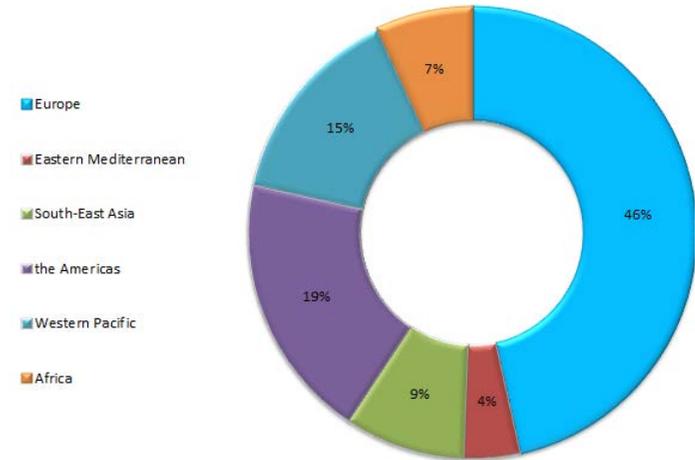
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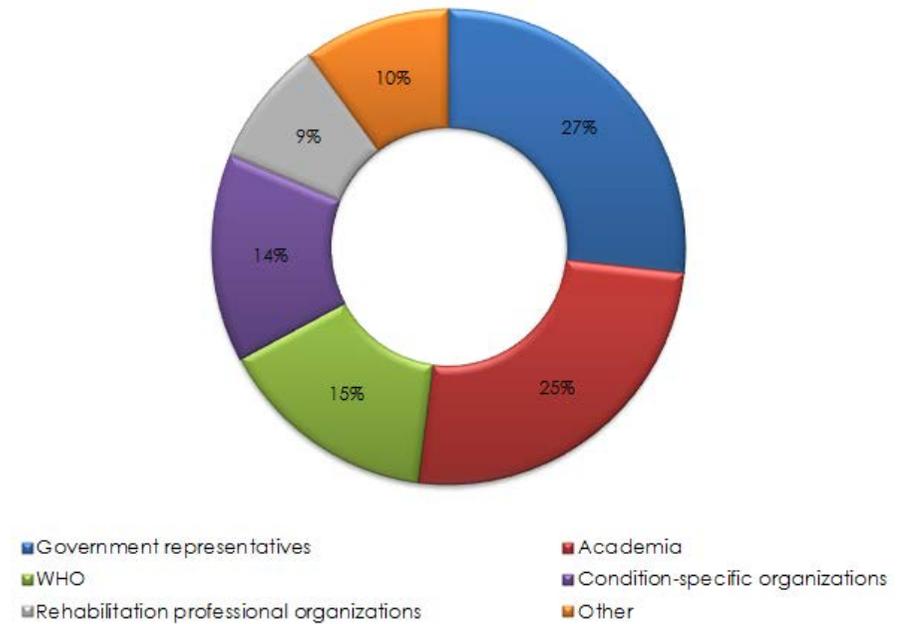
### Participations from around the world



### Representation across WHO regions



### Representation by stakeholder type



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