

Global Immunization Meeting: “Protect, Innovate, Accelerate”
23-25 June 2015
Sitges/Barcelona, Spain

DRAFT ANNOTATED AGENDA (all names of presenters / facilitators tbc)

Meeting objectives

The objectives of the Global Immunization Meeting are to review and discuss among global, regional and country immunization partners, key issues related to strengthening routine immunization, to the implementation of new and under-utilized vaccines and to accelerated disease control efforts – notably for measles, rubella and maternal and neonatal tetanus – including alignment with polio eradication efforts.

This year, particular consideration and review will be given to the following issues:

- Technical updates on new strategies for reaching unreached populations with routine vaccination, and discussions on major opportunities and challenges with new approaches.
- Review of activities and lessons learned from countries and regions in the implementation of new vaccines, and preparation of countries for the successful implementation of an expected new vaccine introductions in 2015.
- Discussion of innovative approaches for achieving measles, rubella and tetanus elimination including newly-developed guidance for injectable supplementary immunization activities, and new vaccine delivery methodologies.
- Exchange of information between WHO, UNICEF and other immunization partners - at all levels - on respective roles and responsibilities in the provision of technical assistance to countries.

Expected outcomes

- Update on programmatic achievements including progress with implementation of strategies to increase routine coverage, to introduce new vaccines with an enhanced focus on integrated approaches to disease control, specifically in the context of pneumococcal, rotavirus, Measles/Rubella and HPV vaccines. Key issues encountered by EUR countries will be highlighted.
- Member States, WHO and UNICEF Regional and Country Office staff and partners better informed on new strategies for increasing immunization coverage, on new vaccines implementation and on the latest guidance for accelerated disease control.

Meeting Format

- The three-day Global Immunization Meeting 2015 is scheduled for 23rd to 25th June 2015 in Sitges/Barcelona, Spain and will be co-hosted by the WHO European Region.
- The meeting will combine plenary and parallel workshop sessions on key EPI topics. Keynote addresses will further investigate overriding meeting themes for each day.
- Workshop facilitators will have developed objectives and a proposed structure with expected outcomes for the relevant sessions and feedback will be provided and discussed in plenary by workshop rapporteurs. On the final day of the meeting a summary of the main meeting outcomes will be given and next steps identified which will be required to advance the global immunization agenda.
- A Meeting Programme Committee with representation of EPI partners (WHO, UNICEF, GPEI, BMGF, Gavi, MRI, US CDC, JSI, CSOs) will jointly develop the meeting agenda based on review and independent scoring of suggested agenda topics in the three priority areas.

DAY ONE - TUESDAY 23 JUNE (PROTECT – Focal Point: Rudi Eggers)

Morning Session 08.00 – 12.30	Chair:	Presenter: (tbc)
Plenary Room 08.30 – 09.00	Welcome addresses Meeting objectives and introduction	<i>EURO Immunization Patron (Robb Butler)</i> <i>Jean-Marie Okwo-Bele</i> <i>Jos Vandelaer</i>
09.00– 09.30 P 1	2015 global immunization update based on GVAP: Immunization coverage; introduction of new vaccines; polio eradication; maternal/neonatal tetanus, measles and rubella elimination. Bottlenecks to achieving results, SAGE recommendations and their implementation	<i>Rebecca Martin</i> <i>(Kamel Senouci)</i>
09.30 -10.00 P 2	Keynote on achieving effective coverage and equity targets and routine immunization strategies (including GRISP) – from RED to REC – with input from country or Region	<i>NN UNICEF Nairobi</i> <i>(Rudi Eggers)</i> <i>Mozambique MoH</i> <i>Madagascar MoH</i>
10.00 - 10.30	<i>Coffee break</i>	
10.30 – 11.30 P 3	Strengthening routine immunization systems: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Successful approaches to reaching the fifth child, tools to reduce equity gaps. • Community ownership and engagement (country case studies) 	<i>Amy Dietherich</i> <i>Robert Steinglass</i> <i>Rebecca Fields</i> <i>Richard Duncan</i> <i>Alan Brooks</i> <i>Richard Mihigo</i> <i>Logan Brenzel</i> <i>Rudi Eggers</i>
11.30 – 12.00	Discussion	
12.00 – 12.15	Keypad quiz	<i>Rudi Eggers</i>
12.15 – 12.30	Teasers for afternoon group sessions	<i>Workshop facilitators</i>
12.30 - 14.00	<i>Lunch break</i>	

Afternoon Session 14.00 – 17.30	PROTECT – Work Groups	Facilitator: (tbc)	Country: (tbc)
WG 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reactivation of immunization and child health services post Ebola in West Africa (including social mobilization to mitigate impact on health services). • Immunization in emergency settings with sharing of experiences from other countries (e.g. CAR, Yemen, Syria) 	<i>Anshu Banerjee</i> <i>Richard Mihigo or</i> <i>Balcha Masresha</i> <i>Florence Fermon</i> <i>NN UNICEF</i> <i>Gavi SCM</i> <i>Tracey Goodman</i>	

WG 2	Demand for immunization services, vaccine acceptance, behaviour change (country lessons learned)	<i>Robb Butler Robert Steinglass Rebecca Fields Ben Hickler Mitchell Weiss Amy Dietterich Jon Pearman Lisa Menning</i>	<i>Nepal</i>
WG 3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Access to vaccines in middle-income countries, focus on vaccine prices, Gavi graduation and immunization costing. Financing of routine immunization and new vaccine implementation – overall system efficiency vs. coverage 	<i>Santiago Cornejo Gian Ghandi Logan Brenzel Tania Cernuschi Michel Zaffran Claudio Politi</i>	<i>Indonesia Thailand</i>
15.30 - 16.00	<i>Coffee break</i>		
18.00 - 19.30	<i>Cocktail Reception</i>		

DAY TWO - WEDNESDAY 24 JUNE (INNOVATE – Focal Point: Carsten Mantel)

Morning Session 08.30 – 12.30	Chair:	Presenter: (tbc)
Plenary Room 08.30 – 09.15	Feedback from Protect work groups with discussion	<i>Workshop rapporteurs</i>
09.15 – 10.30 P 4	<p>Polio Eradication, Endgame and Legacy:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lessons learned from IPV introduction, that will benefit other vaccines – application to other vaccines, e.g. unprecedented numbers and speed of introduction Preparations for the tOPV-bOPV switch Vaccine supply management Use of polio resources to strengthen routine immunization, e.g. in India, Nigeria, Indonesia 	<i>Maya van den Ent Stephen Sosler Ann Ottosen Tasleem Kachra Michel Zaffran Rudi Eggers</i> <i>India MoH</i>
10.30 - 11.00	<i>Coffee break</i>	
11.00 – 11.30 P 5	<p>Immunization Supply Chain and Logistics: Current challenges, innovations and future prospects</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Conclusions and recommendations from 14th TechNet Conference 	<i>Diana Chang-Blanc</i>
11.30 – 12.00 P 6	<p>Integrated approaches to VPD control:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> New ideas, country experience in achieving integration across the spectrum of maternal and child health Key areas for integration for Gavi's strategy 2016-2020 	<i>Phanuel Habimana Stefano Malvoti Carsten Mantel</i> <i>Bangladesh MoH Zambia MoH India MoH</i>

12.00 – 12.15	Keypad quiz	<i>Carsten Mantel</i>
12.15 – 12.30	Teasers for afternoon group sessions	<i>Workshop facilitators</i>
12.30 - 14.00	<i>Lunch break</i>	

Afternoon Session 14.00 – 17.30	INNOVATE – Work Groups	Facilitator: (tbc)	Country: (tbc)
WG 4	<p>Alignment of country assessments and planning processes: how do countries and the global community get what they need to do better planning?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> EPI Review, PIE, EVM, DQA, coverage surveys, surveillance review, Gavi JA , FCE, graduation assessment, SARA, MICS/DHS and alignment with cMYP and national annual planning and vaccine supply and demand forecasting Role of ICCs in this alignment 	<p><i>Terri Hyde</i> <i>Aaron Wallace</i> <i>Adam McNeill</i> <i>Heather Deehan</i> <i>David Salinas</i> <i>Peter Hansen</i> <i>Karen Hennessey</i> <i>Carsten Mantel</i> <i>Carolina Danovaro</i> <i>Marta Gacic-Dobo</i></p>	<p><i>PAHO country</i> <i>Tanzania</i> <i>Zambia</i> <i>Laos PDR</i></p>
WG 5 (-> Thu?)	Vaccine implementation lessons learned with focus on rotavirus and pneumococcal vaccines: EUR country experience	<p><i>Liudmila Mosina</i> <i>Terri Hyde</i> <i>Umesh Parashar</i> <i>Thomas Cherian</i></p>	<p><i>Mozambique</i> <i>Armenia</i> <i>Moldova</i></p>
WG 6	<p>Innovation / Optimization:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Game changers in immunization delivery: New products, technologies, presentations Programme redesign to fit new presentations (e.g. multiple presentations in same programme, vaccines outside traditional schedules) 	<p><i>Darin Zehrung</i> <i>Debbie Kristensen</i> <i>Jon Pearman</i> <i>NN BMGF</i> <i>Gitte Giersing</i> <i>Diana Chang-Blanc</i></p>	
15.30 - 16.00	<i>Coffee break</i>		

DAY THREE – THURSDAY 25 JUNE (Accelerate – Focal Point: Peter Strebel)

Morning Session 08.30 – 12.30	Chair:	Presenter: (tbc)
Plenary Room 08.30 – 09.15	Feedback from Innovate workshops with discussion	<i>Workshop rapporteurs</i>
09.15 – 10.00 P 7	Keynote on achieving maternal and neonatal tetanus elimination	<i>Helen Rees</i> <i>(Ahmadu Yakubu)</i>
10:00 - 10.30	<i>Coffee break</i>	
10.30 – 11.30 P 8	Keynote on achieving measles and rubella elimination. Lessons learned from rubella vaccine introduction including country experience: achievements (India, China, Bangladesh) and threats (Mongolia) for reaching elimination goals	<i>Peter Figueroa</i> <i>(Peter Strebel)</i>

11.30 – 12.00	Discussion	
12.00 – 12.15	Keypad quiz	<i>Peter Strebel</i>
12.15 – 12.30	Teasers for afternoon group sessions	<i>Workshop facilitators</i>
12.30 - 13.45	<i>Lunch break</i>	

Afternoon Session 13.45 – 17.00	ACCELERATE – Work Groups	Facilitator:	Country: (tbc)
WG 7	Life-course approach in immunization: Successes in reaching older age groups <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Second year of life (healthy child visit) • Adolescents (e.g. HPV) • Maternal (link to antenatal care) 	<i>Richard Mihigo NN US CDC Imran Khan Ike Ogbuanu Karen Hennessey Philipp Lambach Rudi Eggers</i>	<i>Zambia Sri Lanka</i>
WG 8	Measles, rubella and MNT elimination strategies: new approaches and tools, guidelines for improving quality of SIAs (e.g. risk assessment and SIA readiness tool; rubella introduction guidelines)	<i>Jim Goodson Devi Aung Balcha Masresha Peter Strebel Alya Dabbagh Ahmadu Yakubu</i>	<i>Myanmar</i>
WG 9	Data systems: A vision of what data systems could be, key principles of systems optimization (including health information systems, home-based records, surveillance issues, ICT)	<i>David Brown Anna Rapp Adam MacNeil Peter Bloland Skye Gilbert Jan Grevendonk Marta Gacic-Dobo Carolina Danovaro</i>	<i>Ghana Tanzania Sri Lanka Nepal</i>
15.30 - 16.00	<i>Coffee break</i>		
17.00 – 17.30	Feedback from Accelerate workshops with discussion		<i>Workshop rapporteurs</i>
17.30 – 18.00	Summary and draft conclusions of the Global PIA Meeting		<i>Jean-Marie Okwo-Bele</i>
18.00	<i>Meeting ends</i>		

During the meeting	Exhibitions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Home based records • New vaccine delivery technologies 	<i>Marta Gacic-Dobo Gitte Giersing</i>
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SATELLITE MEETINGS BEFORE AND AFTER THE MAIN PIA MEETING**MONDAY 22 JUNE**

08:30 – 10:00	Retreat of WHO and UNICEF Immunization Focal Points (separate closed sessions)	Facilitators: <i>Michel Zaffran</i>
10:30 – 12:00	Joint Retreat WHO / UNICEF Immunization Focal Points	<i>Jos Vandelaar</i>
13.30 – 17.30	Workshop: The Global Routine Immunization Strategic Plan (GRISP)	Facilitator: <i>Rudi Eggers</i>
13.30 – 17.30	Meeting of Measles and Rubella Management Team	Facilitator: <i>Susana Martinez-Schmickrath</i>
13.30 – 17.30	DCVMN consultation with UNICEF SD and WHO PQ team	Facilitator: <i>Sonia Pagliusi</i>

FRIDAY 27 JUNE

09:00 – 17:00	Workshop: Evidence needed to verify elimination of measles and rubella drawing on experience from Regional Verification Commissions	Facilitator: <i>Alya Dabbagh</i>
09:00 – 12:00	WHO EPI Team Management Retreat	Facilitator: <i>Michel Zaffran</i>
14:00 – 18:00	Workshop: Roles of the immunization partners in supporting data and information systems (informal brainstorming).	Facilitator: <i>Marta Gacic-Dobo</i> <i>Jan Grevendonk</i>

SATURDAY 28 June

10:00 – 16:00	Workshop (continued): Roles of the immunization partners in supporting data and information systems (informal brainstorming).	Facilitator: <i>Marta Gacic-Dobo</i> <i>Jan Grevendonk</i>
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