AGENDA & CONCEPT NOTE
GHSA STEERING GROUP MEETING
“TAKE ACTION: ACE FOR GHSA”
21 May 2017
Salle D, WHO Headquarters
Geneva, Switzerland

09:00 – 09:30       Registration

Opening Session

09:30 – 09:35       Opening and Adoption of Agenda (Ganglip Kim, the Republic of Korea)

The chair of the GHSA Steering Group Meeting will open the meeting. The Deputy Minister of Health & Welfare of the Republic of Korea will provide opening remarks on the context for the meeting and its intended objectives.

09:35 – 09:45       Summary and updates since the First SG Meeting in 2017 (Ok Park, the Republic of Korea)

GHSA Steering Group Secretariat summarizes the first SG meeting held in 21 January 2017, based on the minutes. The list of countries that have shown interests in participating GHSA is to be announced.

09:45 – 09:50       Announcement of New Troika for 2017 (Ganglip Kim, the Republic of Korea)

The part will discuss the GHSA Troika, or former, current and next chair countries; Indonesia, Republic of Korea, and a still-not-in-the list country. Three countries are expected to have teleconferences about a month before the SG meetings to discuss on topics, possible speakers and other impending issues

09:50 – 10:45       Update from the Advisors of GHSA (15 minutes for each presentation, Q&A: 10 minutes)
GHSA permanent advisors will provide presentations on response and preparedness of infectious diseases in countries and regions. Participating countries will have the opportunity to provide comments as well as recommendations. It is expected that discussions will cover areas such as, coordination of action packages; risk communication; funding the response to public health crisis; developing funds for developing countries; global preparedness, surveillance; biothreats; one health approach; IHR core capacities & OIE critical competencies, and JEEs and OIE PVS Pathway evaluations. Each Advisor has a different concept note for its presentation provided by GHSA SG Secretariat.

- FAO (El Idrissi)
- OIE (Susan Corning)
- World Bank (Tim Evans)

10:40 – 11:15 Coffee Break

Session “E”: Evaluation

11:15 – 11:45 Update on JEE Review (Guenael Rodier, WHO)

The part will discuss the recent progress of JEE and JEE review. A representative of WHO present current numbers to take JEE and aftermath of JEE. Revision of national plans of countries which have already taken JEE in 2016 is to be expected. The participants are expected to share JEE experiences. Based on the evaluators field experience, WHO can comment how to take JEE: Documents translated into English, inclusion of observers in the evaluation team, and multisectoral collaboration in preparation JEE.

Session “A”: Action Package

11:45 – 12:15 Model Action Package Approach (Jose Fernandez, the United States, Ok Park, the Republic of Korea)

The part will receive a report on the progress made with the Action Packages. The Steering Group members will discuss next steps to determine the status of commitment implementation and to accelerate implementation and Action Package plans: the idea of each SG country taking on a strong support role for an Action Package, and an update on the Logic Models recently updated by CDC for the Lab, Surveillance, EOC, and Workforce Development Action Packages. For example, the Republic of Korea announces a model program for Immunization AP, in which a coordination of national immunization program, adverse effect investigation and lab will be presented.
12:15 – 13:15 Lunch

Session “C”: Capacity Building

13:15 – 13:35 Update on the Alliance for Country Assessment (Päivi Sillanaukee, Finland)

The Alliance is focused on building country capacities, with support for WHO being a means to an end. Keeping the focus on preparedness, since the focus of the JEE and country planning, it is expected that discussions will cover areas such as: The impact of the GHSA-WHO Joint External Evaluation, particularly in the areas of human and financial resources for responding to emergencies; modification or revision of national preparedness and response plans after the evaluation; the role of Alliance with respect to sustainable and feasible development of national plans in response to possible next public health crisis by tracking donor commitments.

Reach-out Session

13:35 – 14:05 Partnership with Non-Government Stakeholders, Next-Generation, and other Development Organizations: PSRT, PATH, NTI

The part will discuss the way forward GHSA collaboration with different Non-Governmental stakeholders. Participants is expect to express comments the following issues: how to match their activities with the GHSA targets and objectives; how to use the information from country assessments to guide their activities; how to guide the focus of their resources; and how to coordinate the different donors' support and activities. PATH and NTI are to be introduced with existing PSRT.

14:05 – 14:35 Coffee Break

14:35 – 14:45 Work Plan for GHSA High-level Meeting in 2017 (Jane Aceng, Uganda)

The Uganda will present a roadmap for GHSA High-level Meeting in 2017. It includes the progress of preparation, possible topics including experiences of JEE’s outcome leading to revision of the national plans.
Commitment Session

14:45 - 15:15    Taking Action, Tracking Commitments for Global Health Security
(Chaeshin Chu, Jong-Hyun Moon, the Republic of Korea)

Many other large multilateral efforts like Every Woman, Every Child; Global Alliance for Vaccines and Immunizations (GAVI); Global Food Security; and the Global Fund have developed accountability frameworks to help ensure countries follow through on domestic and donor commitments to the effort. In the context of GHSA, a mutual accountability framework could be created to help coordinate and track progress of commitments made, offer an opportunity to publicize all commitments, provide a platform to engage with all 55 GHSA countries and other nations that have made commitments, and promote transparency among partners, all of which will demonstrate GHSA’s global commitment to health security. This issue is revisited with more details after the first debatable introduction in January.

Closing Session

15:15 - 15:30    Discussion & Closing

The part contains any other issue raised by participating countries and advisors before chair’s announcement of meeting adjournment. To address multisectoral approach, active participation of ministry of national defense could be discussed. To enhance and to take charge of Action Packages, addition of SG members could be discussed, if necessary.