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Vector Control Working Group Update

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Vector Control Working Group

Purpose

The Vector Control Working Group align partners on best practices to reach and maintain universal coverage with effective vector control interventions

Vector Control Working Group (VCWG) Terms of Reference, revised in April 2018.

English: <https://endmalaria.org/sites/default/files/RBM-VCWG-TORs-Approved-by-Board-Apr18.pdf>

French: <https://endmalaria.org/sites/default/files/FR-RBM-VCWG-TORs-Approved-by-Board-Apr18.pdf>

Vector Control Working Group

Main Objectives

- The main objectives of this group are to:
 - **Provide** a forum for the dissemination of the normative and policy-setting guidelines of WHO and best practices for adaptation and implementation by international and country-level partners
 - **Support** the generation and interpretation of evidence to inform global policy and guidelines
 - **Protect** the efficacy of existing tools and stimulate the development of new tools
 - Aim at **coordinating** the support to malaria-affected countries
 - Diverse partners reach a common understanding of the threats and opportunities, learn from each other and develop the necessary **networks** and activities to overcome these challenges

Vector Control Working Group Structure

- ❑ Oldest RBM Working Group
- ❑ Newly elected co-chairs:
 - *Keziah Malm (NMCP, Ghana)*
 - *Justin McBeath (Bayer, UK)*
- ❑ Coordinator: Konstantina Boutsika (Swiss TPH)



Work Streams

- Indoor Residual Spraying (IRS) and Insecticide Resistance Management (IRM) Priorities.
- Long-Lasting Insecticidal Nets (LLIN) Priorities.
- Larval Source Management (LSM).
- New Tools, New Challenges in Vector Control.
- Integrated Vector Management (IVM), Evidence and Capacity.
- Housing and Malaria.

Vector Control Working Group

14th Annual meeting

- ✓ 278 participants from 52 countries, representing all 6 WHO regions
- ✓ All constituencies are represented
 - ✓ 33% affected-country participation
 - ✓ Strong participation from private sector
- ✓ Women engagement in vector control

- ✓ Innovative financial model (meeting registration fee, CHF 250.- per person)
- ✓ Sponsorship of affected country participants
 - ✓ SDC commitment
 - ✓ Exhibition of new vector control tools (industry forum)

This Meeting helps to achieve

1. Dialogue around best-practice sharing (a unique blend of constituencies helps to achieve that)

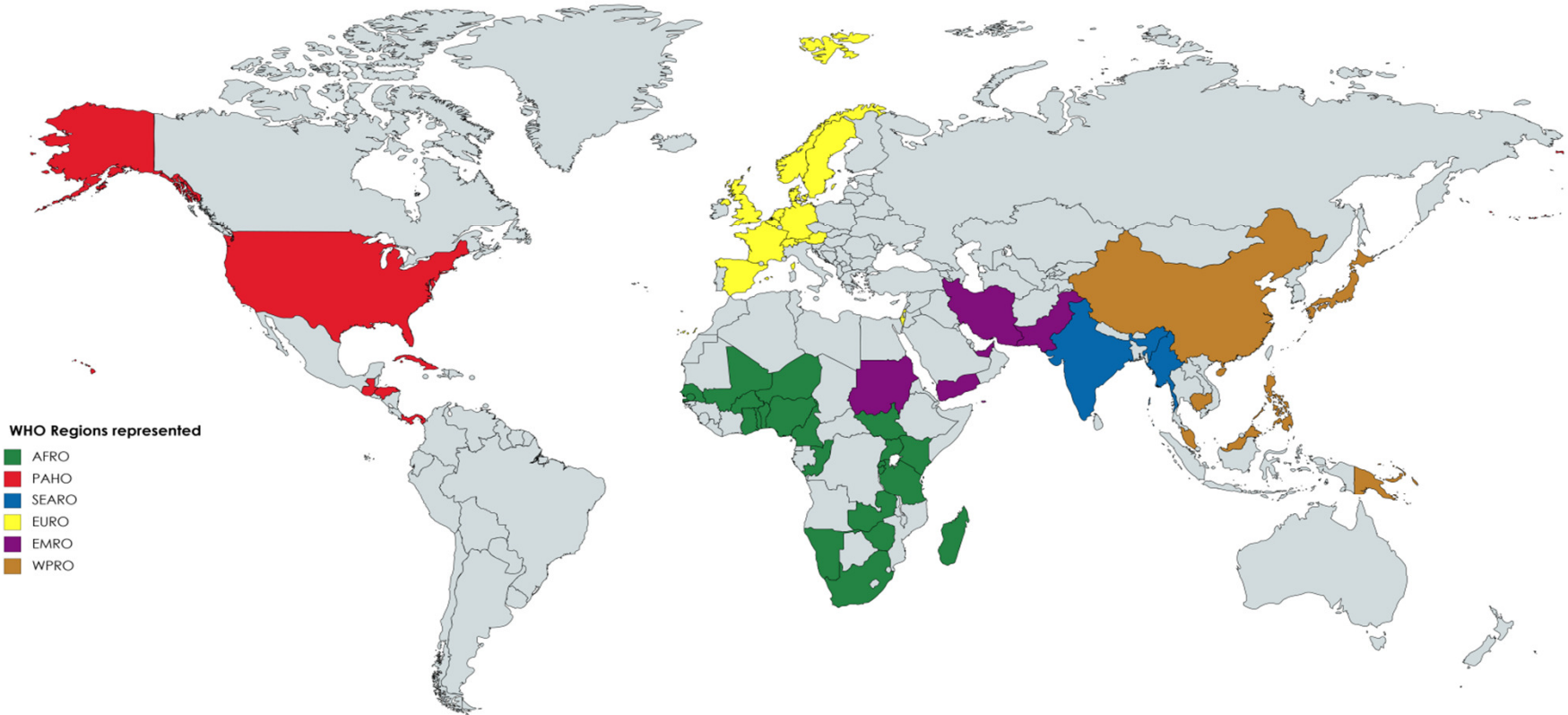
2. Information dissemination (e.g. updates from RBM, WHO and others to the VCWG community)

3. Aligning constituencies on challenges faced in malaria vector control (and contributing towards evidence creation)

4. Networking - a unique concentration of interested parties



Countries represented during the VCWG-14 meeting



Continue improving communication & networking

- ❑ Distribution list (over 1600 members worldwide) share updates, publications, news, job advertisements
- ❑ RBM Working Groups web page
 - <https://endmalaria.org/our-work/working-groups/vector-control>
- ❑ E-newsletter twice per year (June and December)
 - *RBM VCWG Newsletter December 2017, Issue 1:* <https://mailchi.mp/09791f596dab/rbm-vcwg-1st-rbm-vcwg-newsletter-december-2017?e=0fc0160fc8>
 - *RBM VCWG Newsletter June 2018, Issue 2:* <https://mailchi.mp/665ff69adf9c/rbm-vcwg-june-2018-newsletter?e=f4962e61bd>
 - *RBM VCWG Newsletter December 2018, Issue 3:* <https://mailchi.mp/3b5e519e9675/rbm-vcwg-newsletter-december-2018?e=ccc19ebd20>
- ❑ Face-to-face annual and side (work stream) meetings

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