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• 2011 Objectives:
  – Increase funding and commitment for IRS from private sector;
  – Increase public sector funding for IRS;
  – Increase domestic funding for IRS

• Raise the profile of IRS in regional groups – AU, SADC, ECOWAS)

• Enable continued use of public health insecticides
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• 2011 Activities:
    • Strong business case for IRS (AGA, KCM, Illovo etc)
    • Regional networks must work with private sector partners to increase IRS support, involvement
    • National govts. must build up entomologic capacity
    • Private sector can assist in building IRS capacity
    • Private sector involvement should be added to scorecards
    • National leadership to align regulations, registrations of products
    • Need increased domestic funding, championed by national govts. WHO, BRICS
    • WHO should help develop joint public-private plans to strengthen pesticide management
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• 2011 Activities:
  – Preparation of policy position for SADC Ministers of Health Conference & SADC E8 meetings
    • Policy documents on IRS, access to insecticides prepared for SADC, adopted at Ministers of Health meeting
  – Advocacy & support to malarial countries during Stockholm Convention COP
    • Preparation of documents for malarial countries to ensure ongoing access to DDT, in opposition of EU, Swiss, Stockholm Convention Secretariat’s stated plans to eliminate DDT by 2020.
  – Engaging with Global Fund to increase profile of IRS in reporting
    • Letters sent to GF to raise profile of IRS in GF reporting
  – Responding to anti-public health insecticides articles in media, peer-reviewed literature plus pro-IRS pieces in popular press.
    • Opeds by Kamwi, letters in EHP, awaiting review on 2 other papers
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• Tariffs, customs reform for anti-malaria commodities
  – Follow up work to M-TAP, seek to ensure clear, consistent, logical classification of malaria commodities under the World Customs Organization’s Harmonized System,
  – Continue to monitor removal of taxes & tariffs & non-tariff barriers. ALMA leads advocacy, tariffs part of scorecard.