

Roll Back Malaria Vector Control Working Group

The purpose of the RBM VCWG is to align RBM partners on best practices to reach and maintain universal coverage with effective vector control interventions. The VCWG disseminates the normative and policy-setting guidelines of the World Health Organization (WHO) by helping to translate these norms and standards to international and country-level partners. It also supports the generation of evidence to inform global policy and guidelines, to protect the efficacy of existing tools and simulate the development of new tools. Aiming at coordinating the support to malaria-affected countries with regard to implementing WHO guidelines, the VCWG provides an essential forum where diverse partners of the vector control community from the public sector, the private sector, research and academia, and civil society, can come together, to reach a common understanding of the threats and opportunities, to learn from each other and to develop the necessary networks and activities to overcome these challenges.

The VCWG has six work streams on **IRS IRM Priorities; LLIN Priorities; Larval Source Management; New Challenges, New Tools in Vector Control; IVM, Evidence and Capacity; Housing and Malaria.**

Vector control specialists around the world join the VCWG distribution list, which counts 1465 entries as of February 2018, to receive vector control news, project updates, publications, guidelines and job advertisements. The annual meeting welcomes the Partners who join on their own costs. As of 2015, a *registration fee of CHF 250* is introduced to cover the rental of the meeting rooms, catering and technical expenses of the annual venue. The participation of selected affected-countries at the annual meetings is ensured via leverage funds*.

This year, the RBM VCWG-13 meeting counts 266 participants from 48 countries, representing all 6 WHO regions (AFRO, PAHO, SEARO, EURO, EMRO, WPRO). New countries this year include: Burkina Faso, Burundi, Mali, Mauritius, Uganda, Canada, Haiti, Guyana, Turkey, Egypt, Australia and Lao People's Democratic Republic. There are 75 participants from 25 countries with malaria control status, 15 participants from 6 countries with malaria elimination status and 176 participants from 17 countries with malaria free status. All constituencies are represented, with about one third each representing research & academia and the private sector. 34% of the constituencies are located in affected countries. In regards to gender balance, 69% of the participants are male and 31% are female.

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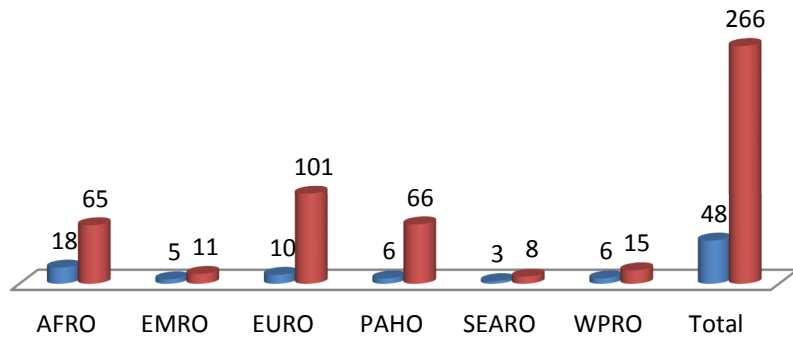
For more information:

<https://rollbackmalaria.com/organizational-structure/working-groups/vcwg/>

**The selected affected-country participants of the RBM VCWG-13 meeting are sponsored by the Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation (SDC), Swiss TPH, USAID and through the participation of 11 companies to the exhibition on vector control innovation (Arctec, BASF SE, Bayer, Biogen, Gozper Group, In2Care BV, Mesto Spritzenfabrik, Sumitomo, Syngenta, Tana Netting, Vestergaard).*

Participation at the VCWG-13 meeting: geographical representation

■ Number of countries ■ Number of participants



AFRO Benin, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Cameroon, Côte d'Ivoire, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Ethiopia, Ghana, Kenya, Madagascar, Mali, Mauritius, Namibia, Nigeria, Senegal, South Africa, Tanzania, Uganda

PAHO Canada, Cuba, Haiti, Guyana, Puerto Rico (U.S.), United States of America

SEARO India, Myanmar, Thailand

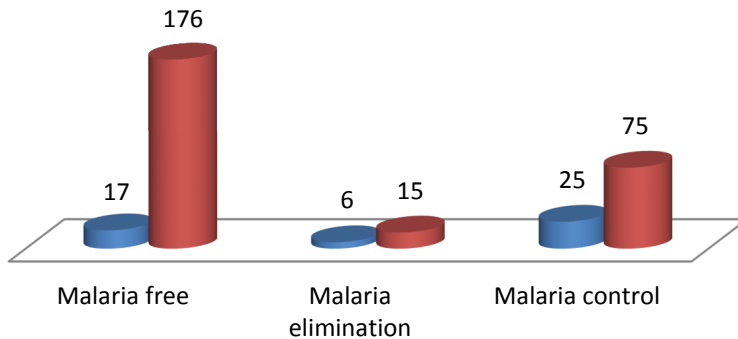
EURO Belgium, Denmark, France, Germany, Israel, The Netherlands, Spain, Switzerland, Turkey, United Kingdom

EMRO Egypt, Islamic Republic of Iran, Pakistan, Sudan, United Arab Emirates

WPRO Australia, China, Japan, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Malaysia, Papua New Guinea

Participation at the VCWG-13 meeting: malaria status of countries

■ Number of countries ■ Number of participants



Participation at the VCWG-13 meeting per constituencies



- Malaria affected country government
- Non-malaria affected country government
- Research and academia north
- Research and academia south
- Private sector
- NGO / Civil society north
- NGO / Civil society south
- UN / Multilateral institutions
- Foundations / Philanthropy