

3d meeting of the Steering Committee of the AMR Multi-Stakeholder Partnership Platform

Meeting report

Thursday, 25 January 2024, 14h-15h CET, virtual

Summary of discussions

	Action	Responsible
1.	Draft presentation for the Action Groups with more guidance, role and expectations from the SC and the coordinating Team	Coordinating Team
2.	Adjust the reporting template and share with all the Action Groups	Coordinating Team and Chair
3.	Work with the QpT communication teams to explore avenues for creating a social media (LinkedIn) page and an independent website. Develop an external communication strategy to ensure high visibility to the Platform and its Action groups.	Coordinating Team
4.	Draft formal letter to co-facilitators of the UNHLM on AMR informing the about the Platform; liaise with the GLG secretariat to introduce the SC Chair/Vice-Chair and discuss potential joint actions on UNHLM on AMR 2024.	Coordinating Team and Chair/Vice-Chair
5.	Further discussion on the Plenary date/location; resource mobilization plan/estimative budget to be presented to the SC by the CT to discuss potential joint RM actions.	Coordinating Team

Attending:

1. Arshnee Moodley, (Chair), CGIAR Antimicrobial Resistance Hub Lead, AMR Team Leader, International Livestock Research Institute (ILRI)
2. Michiel Peters, (Vice-Chair), AMR Industry Alliance Secretariat Representative
3. Maria Helena Semedo, FAO Deputy Director-General
4. Jean-Philippe Dop, WOA Deputy Director General
5. Thomas Joseph, WHO representative in the Platform's Coordinating Team, acting as alternate of Hanan H. Balkhy, WHO Assistant Director-General for AMR
6. Prof. Christine Middlemiss CB, Chief Veterinary Officer, UK
7. Masika Sophie, Global Health Policy Manager, World Federation for Animals
8. Tonny Brian Muthee, Health Specialist and Global Task Team Lead on AMR, World Bank
9. Angela Schug, One Health Advisor, GIZ acting as alternate of Tonny Brian Muthee, Health Specialist and Global Task Team Lead on AMR, World Bank

Observers:

10. Barbara Mentré, Antimicrobial Resistance, Human Nutrition Unit, Directorate-General for Health and Food Safety (DG SANTE), EU Commission
11. Klara Saville, UK DEFRA (accompanying Prof. Middlemiss)
12. Carlos Vaquero Escamilla (supporting FAO DDG Maria Helena Semedo)

Coordinating Team:

13. Junxia Song, FAO Responsible Officer

14. Thomas Joseph, WHO Responsible Officer
15. Olafur Valsson, WOAH Responsible Officer
16. Nelea Motriuc, Platform Coordinator

Agenda of the meeting:

1. Welcome and opening
2. Update on the Action Groups (progress, reporting template, etc), focus on the UN HLM on AMR 2024 Action Group
3. Platform's priorities and workplan for 2024, focus on UN HLM on AMR 2024 and the role of the Platform
4. AOB

1. Welcome and opening

- The Chair welcomed the Steering Committee (SC) and expressed gratitude for their time and availability. The Chair introduced the meeting agenda, which has been approved by all Steering Committee members.

2. Update on the Action Groups (progress, reporting template, etc), focus on the UN HLM on AMR 2024

- All approved Action Groups have initiated their activities and are currently preparing or conducting their inception meetings, focusing on developing their work plans, etc. Action Groups may require additional guidance regarding the expectations from the SC and the role of the Coordinating Team in supporting them.
- The SC commended the well-structured and action-oriented reporting template for the Action Groups. Suggestions for enhancement included incorporating (1) impact evaluation in the long perspective, (2) addressing secured funding, and (3) including a question on the interaction with other Action Groups. The SC agreed that a bi-annual reporting schedule is appropriate.
- The SC stressed that the internal communication within the Platform is well organized, yet it is crucial to ensure the maximum visibility to the Platform and its Action Groups and members.
- The SC asked the CT to explore avenues for having dedicated social media (e.g., LinkedIn) and a website, while adhering to the Quadripartite communication policies.
- Leveraging significant events, such as UNEA, was suggested to enhance the global profile of the Platform. The SC highlighted the importance of mobilizing actors from underrepresented sectors.
- An update on the progress of the Action Group on UN HLM on AMR was provided, including collaborative work within the joint file for inputs and upcoming alignment sessions to propose key asks/recommendations to Member States.
- Despite the Platform's recognition in various contexts (Muscat Manifesto, WHO Executive Board draft decision), it was noted that it is not referenced in the Draft Modalities document for the UN HLM on AMR.
- Acknowledging its catalytic power, the Platform can play an important role in supporting co-facilitators in preparing for the UN HLM on AMR, including multi-stakeholder consultations and panels.
- The SC agreed to draft a formal letter to the co-facilitators on behalf of the Chair and Vice-Chair, introducing the Platform and expressing support for the UN HLM on AMR.
- Coordination with the GLG work was emphasized, with the upcoming GLG event on 29 February seen as an opportunity to introduce the Platform's work to GLG members and align positions on a joint advocacy strategy for the UNHLM on AMR 2024.
- The SC noted the organization of the GOV cluster input discussion on the UNHLM on AMR on Monday, 29 January, highlighting the importance of seeking government representatives' support.

3. Platform's priorities and workplan for 2024

- The SC commended the draft workplan and priorities for 2024. Discussions included a proposed timeline for the second Plenary Assembly, emphasizing its occurrence by year-end and exploring the possibility of aligning it with other major AMR-related events, such as the Ministerial Conference and the One Health Conference.
- Location considerations were discussed, with Kenya (Nairobi) and Saudi Arabia as possibilities. Further analysis and consideration are required to make a decision, keeping in mind representation from LMICs and ensuring a balance/rotation between the global North and South.
- The Coordinating Team provided an update on the status of resource mobilization and the Platform's sustainability, stressing the importance of SC support for these efforts.