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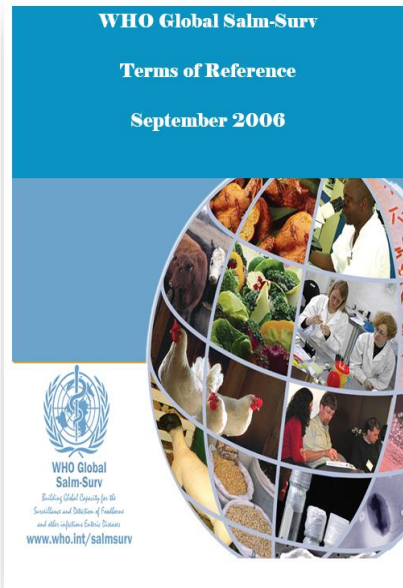
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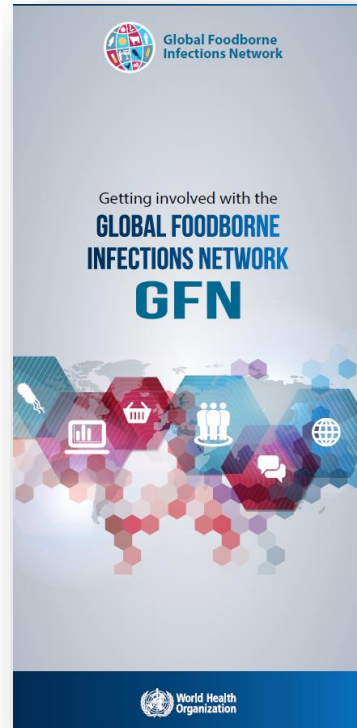
Presentation Outline

- Opening remarks
- Background
- Mission, Vision, Goal and Objectives
- Working methods
- Next steps
- Discussion

Background






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2022

Indicator	Type	Source	Indicator as of 2022	Target by 2030
 Foodborne diarrhoeal disease incidence estimated per 100 000 population	Outcome indicator (impact)	WHO global estimates on foodborne disease burden informed by FERG	4 154	40% reduction in the global average
 Multisectoral collaboration mechanism for food safety events	Capacity indicator (progress)	International Health Regulations (2005): State Party Self-Assessment Annual Reporting Tool	57% of countries with at least 80% capacity	100% of countries with at least 80% capacity
 Surveillance of foodborne diseases and contamination		International Health Regulations (2005): Joint External Evaluation Tool	1.5	Global average capacity score 3.5

2024

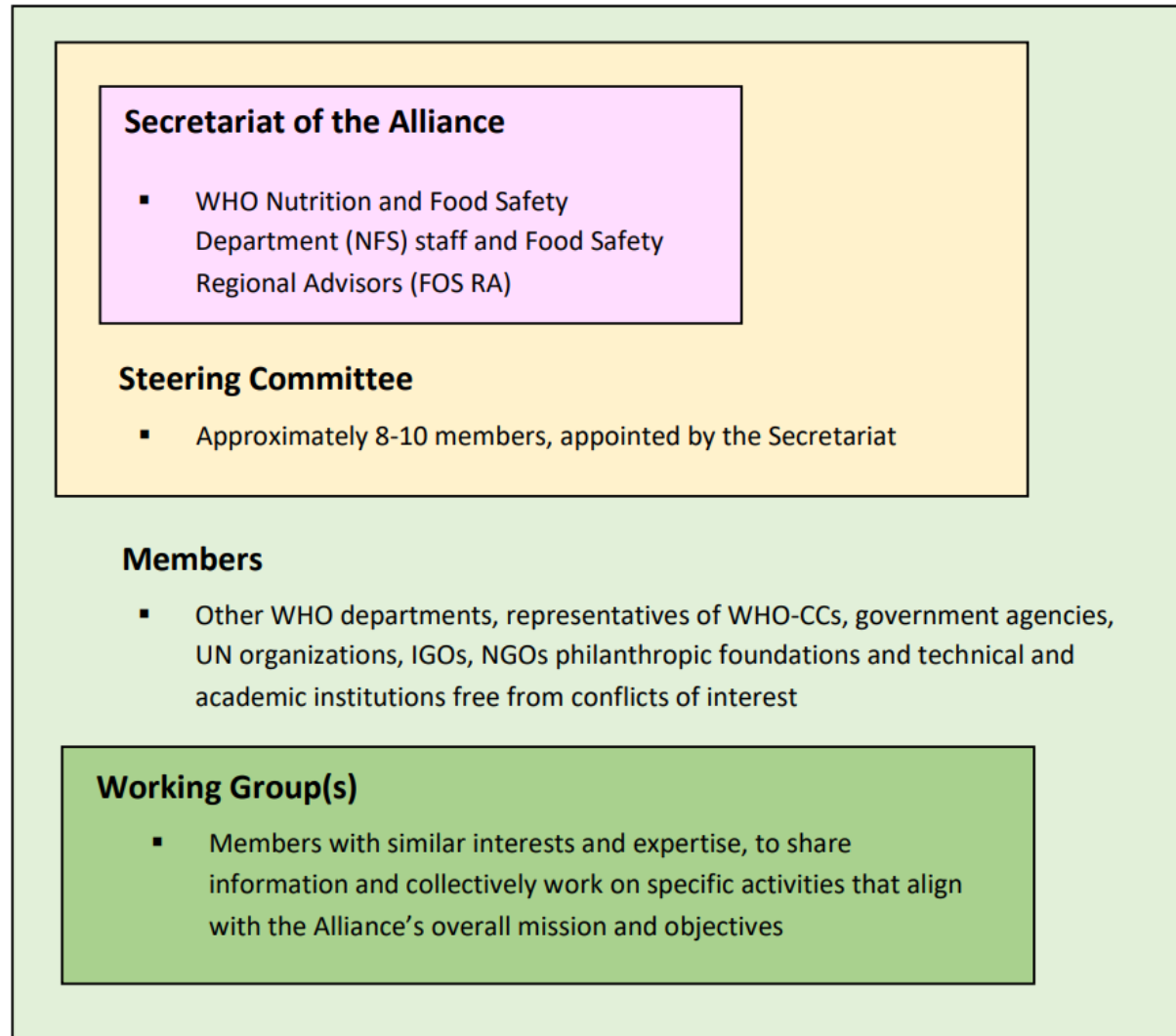


Background

The Alliance membership consists of representatives from:

- WHO departments and offices (e.g. regional and country offices)
- WHO Collaborating Centres
- Government institutions with a mandate for public health, food safety, animal health or environmental health
- United Nations organizations
- Intergovernmental organizations
- Nongovernmental organizations
- Academic institutions
- Philanthropic foundations

Structure



Mission

- To guide and support Member States in:
 - prioritizing, planning, implementing, monitoring, evaluating actions to reduce the burden of foodborne diseases
 - continuously strengthening food safety and promoting global cooperation in accordance with WHO Global Strategy for Food Safety (2022-2030) + IHR + One Health
- Aligns with WHO's Fourteenth General Programme of Work (2025-2028): highlights the substantial global health burden caused by foodborne diseases and calls for comprehensive food safety measures along the food chain

Vision

Safe and healthy food for all through regional and global cooperation, collective commitment to accountability and mutual responsibility among stakeholders.



Goal

- A robust global network of WHO Collaborating Centres and other partners working collaboratively to implement the WHO GSFS 2022-2030
- Strengthened national food safety systems and reduced the incidence of foodborne diseases worldwide
- Enhanced multisectoral collaboration and improved foodborne disease surveillance and food contamination monitoring systems
- Drive a global initiative that:
 - Raises awareness about the importance of food safety
 - Mobilizes resources to support food safety programs
 - Fosters partnerships between WHO CCs, governments, international organizations, and other partners

Objectives

1) An enabling environment for multisectoral coordination and collaboration to implement the WHO Global Strategy for Food Safety (2022-2030), in particular on foodborne disease surveillance and food contamination monitoring



- Advocacy for legislative and policy frameworks
- Integrated foodborne disease surveillance and food contamination monitoring
- Multisectoral collaboration on surveillance
- Activity monitoring

Objectives

2) Advocate for and promote legal frameworks with provisions for surveillance of foodborne diseases and food contamination monitoring



- Advocacy for legal frameworks
- Advocacy for surveillance

Objectives

3) Build capacity in public health, animal health, and food safety analysis laboratories



- Capacity building
- Resource mobilization

Objectives

4) Generate and share quality data and information



- Data generation
- Data sharing

Objectives

5) Share best practices and lessons learned amongst Alliance members



- Experience sharing
- Peer-to-peer learning
- Diverse perspectives and innovation

Working methods

- Work plan developed with Alliance members and validated by a Steering Committee (3 years)
- Four member-led working group established to implement the workplan
- Secretariat taking forward cross-cutting activities in consultation with the Steering Committee

Focus of Working Groups

FBD surveillance integration	Food safety policy and coordination
Lab capacity building	Data and awareness

Next Steps



- Working Groups will convene regularly to take forward activities
- Steering Committee convening quarterly to monitor implementation of the workplan
- Next Alliance General Meeting to be scheduled in 2025 in Oman
- New members are welcome:
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Thank you!

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