

**3<sup>rd</sup> WORLD LOCAL PRODUCTION FORUM: Enhancing access to medicines and other health technologies**  
**Advancing local production for health equity, global health security, and sustainable development**  
**07 – 09 April 2025, Abu Dhabi, UAE**

**Day 1 – 7 April 2025**

09:00 – 11:45

**Grand Opening of the 3<sup>rd</sup> WLPF**

09:00 – 09:20 Hall 5 <b>Welcoming and opening</b>	<p><i>Master of Ceremony:</i> Ms Emma Sargsyan, Founder and CEO, Saege Consultants</p> <p><i>Speakers:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• H. E. Abdulrahman bin Mohamed Al Owais, Minister of Health and Prevention, United Arab Emirates</li> <li>• Dr. Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus, WHO Director-General (<a href="#">Virtual</a>)</li> </ul>
09:20 – 09:25 Hall 5 <b>Message from Previous Host Country</b>	<p><i>Master of Ceremony:</i> Ms Emma Sargsyan, Founder and CEO, Saege Consultants</p> <p><i>Speaker:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• H.E. Ms. Fleur Agema, Minister of Health, Welfare and Sport, The Netherlands <a href="#">[3-min video]</a></li> <li>• Ms. Marjolijn Sonnema, Vice Minister for Public Health, Ministry of Health, Welfare and Sports, the Kingdom of the Netherlands</li> </ul>
09:25 – 10:05 Hall 5 <b>Keynote address</b>	<p><i>Master of Ceremony:</i> Ms Emma Sargsyan, Founder and CEO, Saege Consultants</p> <p><i>Speakers:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• H.E. Dr. Fatima Al Kaabi, the Director-General, Emirates Drug Establishments, UAE</li> <li>• H.E. Dr. Jerome X. Walcott, Minister of Health and Wellness, Barbados</li> <li>• H. E. Dr Aaron Motsoaledi, Minister of Health, Ministry of Health, South Africa</li> <li>• H.E. Dr. Jean Kaseya, Director General, African Center for Disease Control (AfCDC)</li> <li>• H.E. Dr. Khaled Abdel Ghaffar, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Health and Population, Egypt <a href="#">[video message]</a></li> <li>• H.E. Dr. Budi Gunadi Sadikin, Minister of Health, Indonesia <a href="#">[Virtual/video message]</a></li> <li>• H.E. Dr. Sania Nishtar, Chief Executive Officer, Gavi, the Vaccine Alliance <a href="#">[video message]</a></li> <li>• H.E. Mr. Peter Sands, Executive Director, The Global Fund to Fight Against AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria <a href="#">[video message]</a></li> </ul>
10:05 – 10:20 Hall 5 <b>Message from EMRO</b>	<p><i>Master of Ceremony:</i> Ms Emma Sargsyan, Founder and CEO, Saege Consultants</p> <p><i>Speaker:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dr Hanan Balkhy, Regional Director, East Mediterranean Regional Office, WHO</li> </ul>
10:20 – 10:30 Hall 5	<p><i>Master of Ceremony:</i> Ms Emma Sargsyan, Founder and CEO, Saege Consultants</p>

<b>Setting the scene</b>	<p><i>Speaker:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Dr. Jicui Dong, WLPF Secretariat and Unit Head, Local Production and Assistance Unit, Innovations and Emerging Technologies Department, WHO</li> </ul>
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### VIP Photo session

### Health break, Marketplace, Networking, Think Tank Square

<p>10:45 – 12:00 Hall 5</p> <p><b>Global Leader's Debate:</b> North-South and South-South Collaboration- Achieving Sustainable Local Production for Equity Global Health Security and Sustainable Development</p>	<p><i>Moderator:</i> Dr Matthew Stephenson, Head, Investment and Services, World Economic Forum</p> <p><i>Panelists:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>H.E. Dr. Ngozi Okonjo-Iweala, Director General, World Trade Organization (WTO) (<a href="#">Video meesage</a>)</li> <li>H.E. Dr. Daren Tang, Director General, World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) (<a href="#">Video meesage</a>)</li> <li>H.E. Dr. Mekdes Daba, Minister of Health, Federal Ministry of Health, Ethiopia</li> <li>H.E. Professor Mustapha Ferjani, Minister of Health, Tunisia</li> <li>Mr. Meraee Al Qahtani, Deputy Minister for Supply Chain, Ministry of Health, Saudi Arabia</li> <li>Dr. Javier Padilla Bernáldez, Secretary of State for Health, Ministry of Health, Spain</li> <li>Dr. Yukiko Nakatani, Assistant Director General, Access to Medicines and Health Products Division, WHO</li> <li>Mr. Ciyong Zou, Deputy to the Director General and Managing Director, Directorate of Technical Cooperation and Sustainable Industrial Development, UNIDO</li> </ul>
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### Lunch break, Marketplace and Networking, Side events, Roundtables, Think Tank Square

<p>13:00 – 14:00</p> <p><b>Theme 1:</b> Strengthening Local Production Ecosystems: Policies, Regulatory Systems, Markets and Human Capital</p>	
<p>13:00 – 14:00 Hall 5</p> <p><b>Plenary Panel Discussion 1:</b> Strengthening Local Production Ecosystems: Policies, Regulatory Systems, Markets and Human Capital</p>	<p><i>Chair:</i> Ms. Marjolijn Sonnema, Vice Minister for Public Health, Ministry of Health, Welfare and Sports, the Kingdom of the Netherlands</p> <p><i>Panelists:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Mr. He Yaqiong, Director General, Department of Consumer Goods Industry, Ministry of Industry and Information Technology, People's Republic of China</li> <li>Andrew Owain Jones, Deputy Director, UNICEF Supply Division, UNICEF</li> <li>Dong Hyun Kim, Director of WHO Workforce Training Hub Support Team, Bureau of Health Industry, Ministry of Health and Welfare, the Republic of Korea</li> <li>Mr. Themba Khumalo, Senior Advisor on Value Chains and Head of Private Sector Unit, African Continental Free Trade Area Secretariat (AfCFTA)</li> <li>Dr. Hiiti Sillo, Regulation and Prequalification Department, World Health Organization (<a href="#">Virtual</a>)</li> </ul>

	Q&A with Panelists
<b>Participants split into parallel sessions</b>	
14:05 – 15:00 Hall 5	<i>Chair:</i> H.E. Dr. Mohamed Hassan Mohamed Bulaale, Deputy Minister of Health, Somalia
<b>Parallel Panel Discussion 1:</b> Fostering Policy Coherence and Government Commitment	<i>Panelists:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dr. Rizka Andalucia, Deputy Minister, Pharmaceutical and Medical Devices, Ministry of Health, Indonesia</li> <li>• Mr. Alejandro Rivera-Rojas, Executive Officer, Industrial Development - Health Industry Team Leader, United Nations Industrial Development Organization</li> <li>• Mr. Symerre Grey-Johnson, Director, Human Capital &amp; Institutional Development, AUDA-NEPAD</li> <li>• Sharonann Lynch, Co-Director, Center for Global Health Policy &amp; Politics, O'Neill Institute, Georgetown</li> <li>• Ms. Julia Hochberger, Global Health Advocate, Wemos Foundation, The Netherlands</li> </ul>
	Q&A with Panelists
14:05 – 15:00 Breakout Room 1	<i>Chair:</i> Dr. Hisham Saad Aljadhey, CEO, Saudi Food and Drug Authority (SFDA), Saudi Arabia
<b>Parallel Panel Discussion 2:</b> The Role of Regulatory Excellence and Quality Assurance in Healthcare Manufacturing	<i>Keynote:</i> Ms. Emer Cooke, European Medicines Agency ( <a href="#">Video message</a> )
	<i>Panelists:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dr. An Fudong, Director-General, National Institute for Food and Drug Control, People's Republic of China</li> <li>• Dr. Alioune Ibnou Abou Talib Diouf, Director-General, Pharmaceutical Regulatory Agency, Senegal</li> <li>• MSc. Lisette Pérez Ojeda, Advisor to the Director, Centro para el Control Estatal de Medicamentos, Equipos y Dispositivos Médicos, Cuba</li> <li>• Chimwemwe Chamdimba, Head, African Medicines Regulatory Harmonization Initiative, African Union Development Agency (AUDA-NEPAD)</li> </ul>
	Q&A with Panelists
14:05 – 15:00 Breakout Room 2	<i>Chair:</i> Mr. Robert Matiru, Director of Programmes, Unitaid

<b>Parallel Panel Discussion 3:</b> Market-Shaping Strategies for Sustainable Market Access	<i>Panelists:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ms. Clarisse Morris, Manager, Market Shaping and Partnership, Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria, GF-ATM</li> <li>• Dr. Dominic Hein, Director Market Shaping, GAVI</li> <li>• Dr. Santiago Cornejo, Executive Manager, Pan American Health Organization Regional Revolving Fund, Pan American Health Organization</li> <li>• Dr. Arnould Bonnet, Consultant</li> </ul> Q&A with Panelists
14:05 – 15:00 Breakout Room 3 <b>Parallel Panel Discussion 4:</b> Nurturing Human Capital for Sustainable Development in Local Production	<i>Chair:</i> Dr. Shin Jinho, Medical Officer Medical Officer, Regional Office for the Western Pacific, World Health Organization <i>Panelists:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ms. Marieme Sy Dia, Deputy Director, MADIBA Workforce Development Initiative, Institut Pasteur de Dakar, Senegal</li> <li>• Mr. Wesley Kiplangat Ronoh, Market Shaping Lead, Africa CDC</li> <li>• Mr. Killian O'Driscoll, Chief Commercial Officer, National Institute for Bioprocessing Research and Training (NIBRT), Ireland</li> <li>• Dr. Marianna Maculan, Chief External Relations, International Center for Genetic Engineering and Biotechnology</li> </ul> Q&A with Panelists

### Health break, Marketplace and Networking, Think Tank Square

15:30 – 16:30 <b>Theme 2: Strengthening Local Production Ecosystems: Innovative Financing and Investment Strategies</b>	
15:30 – 16:30 Hall 5 <b>Plenary Panel Discussion 2:</b> Strengthening Local Production Ecosystems: Innovative Financing and Investment Strategies	<i>Chair:</i> Dr. H.C. Arthur Mattli, Ambassador of Switzerland to the United Arab Emirates, Kingdom of Bahrain and the International Renewable Energy Agency (IRENA) <i>Panelists:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mr. Martin Seychell, Deputy Director General, Directorate General for International Partnerships, European Commission</li> <li>• Ms. Katja Pohlmann, Head of Division for Global Health, German Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ), Germany</li> <li>• Mr. Symerre Grey-Johnson, Director, Human Capital &amp; Institutional Development, AUDA-NEPAD</li> <li>• Ms. Zeynep Kantur, Global Manager and Global Head of Health, International Finance corporation</li> <li>• Dr Foluke Olusegun, Senior Program Officer, African Leaders Malaria Alliance (ALMA)</li> </ul> Q&A with Panelists

Participants split into parallel sessions	
16:35 – 17:30 Hall 5 <b>Parallel Panel Discussion 5:</b> Coordinating Innovative Financing and Investment Mechanisms	<p><i>Chair:</i> Ms. Clarisse Morris, Manager, Market Shaping and Partnership, Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria, GF-ATM</p> <p><i>Panelists:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mr. Bruno Casella, Senior Economist, United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD)</li> <li>• Prof Richard Gordon, South African Medical Research Council (SAMRC)</li> <li>• Mr. Kaodili Udeh Head of Regional Investments at MedAccess</li> <li>• Dr Ngozi Erundu, Technical Director, The Global Institute for Disease Elimination (GLIDE), The UAE</li> <li>• Mr. Frank Muonemeh, Executive Secretary, Pharmaceutical Manufacturers Group of Manufacturers Association of Nigeria, Nigeria</li> </ul> <p>Q&amp;A with Panelists</p>
16:35 – 17:30 Breakout Room 1 <b>Parallel Panel Discussion 6:</b> Talking to the Bankers: Bankable Business Cases for Sustainable Local Production	<p><i>Chair:</i> Ms. Zeynep Kantur, Global Manager and Global Head of Health, International Finance corporation</p> <p><i>Panelists:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ms. Ghada Abuzaid, Principal Industrial &amp; Pharmaceutical) Program Coordinator, AfDB</li> <li>• Ms. Oluranti Doherty, Director, Export Development, Africa Import-Export Bank</li> <li>• Dr. Jae Kyoung Kim, MD(DKM), MPH, PhD, Health Specialist, Human and Social Development Office, Sectors Group, Asian Development Bank</li> <li>• Dr. Saulo Simoni Nacif, Executive Director - Fundação Butantan</li> </ul> <p>Q&amp;A with Panelists</p>
16:35 – 17:30 Breakout Room 2 <b>Parallel Panel Discussion 7:</b> Connecting the Dots: Financing Local Production Along the Value Chain	<p><i>Chair:</i> Mme Johanna Lerfel, Regional Advisor for Global Health for the Middle East, Ministry for Europe and Foreign Affairs, France</p> <p><i>Panelists:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mr. Holm Keller, CEO, KeNUP Foundation</li> <li>• Dr. Frankline K. Keter, CEO, APIFA</li> <li>• Dr. Susan Winks, Head of Research Operations and Business Development, UCT Drug Discovery &amp; Development (H3D) Centre</li> <li>• Ms. Claudia Nannei, Senior Programme Manager, Technology Access Programme, Innovations and Emerging Technologies Department, WHO</li> <li>• Dr. Andrew Wong, Senior Advisor to the Board of Directors, Walvax Biotechnology Co., Ltd.</li> <li>• Mr. Jens Pederson, Senior Advisor to AfCDC</li> </ul> <p>Q&amp;A with Panelists</p>

## Day 2 – 8 April 2025

09:00 – 09:45

**Theme 3: Fostering Innovation, Technology Transfer and Production Along the Value Chain**

09:00 – 09:45

Hall 5

**Plenary Panel Discussion 3:**Fostering Innovation,  
Technology Transfer and  
Production Along the Value  
Chain*Chair:* Dr. Yukiko Nakatani, Assistant Director General, Access to Medicines and Health Products Division, WHO*Panelists:*

- Dr. Luis Pizarro, Executive Director, Drugs for Neglected Diseases Initiative (DNDi)
- Dr. Asma Ibrahim Al Manna'ei, Executive Director, Research and Innovation Centre, Department of Health - Abu Dhabi, UAE
- Mr. Robert Matiru, Director of Programmes, Unitaid
- Mr Rajinder Kumar Suri, Chief Executive Officer, Developing Countries Vaccine Manufacturers Network (DCVMN)
- Mr. Guilherme Cintra, Director, Innovation Policy, IFPMA

Q&amp;A with Panelists

**Participants split into parallel sessions**

09:50 – 10:45

Hall 5

**Parallel Panel Discussion 8:**Stimulating R&D and innovation  
for public health (all products)*Chair:* Professor Petro Terblanche, Managing Director, Afrigen Biologics (Pty) Ltd, South Africa*Panelists:*

- Prof. Julie Makani, Senior Lecturer and Specialist Physician, Department of Haematology and Blood Transfusion at Muhimbili University of Health and Allied Sciences (MUHAS), Tanzania
- Ms. Hala Audi, CEO, UNIZIMA, Argentina
- Mr. Rahul Dwivedi, Lead, Serious Bacterial Infections Access, Global Antibiotic Research & Development Partnership (GARDP)
- Dr. Martin Smid, Managing Director of Sanquin Consulting Services and Director of the Academic Institute IDTM, Netherlands
- Dr. Sushant Sahastrabudhe, Associate Director General, Innovation Initiatives & Enterprise Development, International Vaccine Institute

Q&amp;A with Panelists

09:50 – 10:45

Breakout Room 1

*Chair:* Mr. Marumo Nkomo, Economic Counsellor and Deputy Permanent Representative, South African Permanent Mission to the WTO

<p><b>Parallel Panel Discussion 9:</b> Maximizing Technology Transfer for Enhanced Production Efficiency of Health Products (all products)</p>	<p><i>Panelists:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dr. Ike James, Technology Transfer Director (Executive Leadership Team), Medicines Patent Pool (MPP)</li> <li>• Dr. Judit Rius Sanjuan, Director, Innovation and Access to Medicines and Health Technologies, PAHO</li> <li>• Mr. Siddhartha Prakash, Head, Global Health, Global Challenges Division, Global Challenges and Partnerships Sector, World Intellectual Property Organization</li> <li>• Mr. Boyan Konstantinov, Policy Specialist, Human Rights and Access to Health Technologies, UNDP</li> <li>• Ms. Claudia Nannei, Senior Programme Manager, Technology Access Programme, Innovations and Emerging Technologies Department, WHO</li> </ul> <p>Q&amp;A with Panelists</p>
<p>09:50 – 10:45 Breakout Room 3</p> <p><b>Parallel Panel Discussion 10:</b> Overcoming Challenges in the Sustainable Production of Therapeutics (medicines)</p>	<p><i>Chair:</i> Dr Stavros Nicolaou, Group Senior Executive for Strategic Trade, Aspen</p> <p><i>Panelists:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dr. Hanan Sboul, Secretary General, Jordanian Association of Pharmaceutical Manufacturers (JAPM)</li> <li>• Mr. Emmanuel Mujuru, Chairperson, FAPMA</li> <li>• Dr. Perrerr Tosso, Director of Pharmaceutical Manufacturing Programs, United States Pharmacopeia (USP),</li> <li>• Dr. Matthias Helmreich, CMC Lead, Merck KGaA</li> <li>• Dr. Zhou Kai, Global Partnership Advisor, UNAIDS Country Office to the People's Republic of China</li> </ul> <p>Q&amp;A with Panelists</p>
<p>09:50 – 10:45 Breakout Room 2</p> <p><b>Parallel Panel Discussion 11:</b> Overcoming Challenges in the Sustainable Production of Diagnostics</p>	<p><i>Chair:</i> Dr. Ifedayo Adetifa, Chief Transformation Officer/CEO, FIND</p> <p><i>Panelists:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dr. Noha El Hariri, General Administration of Medical Device Registration &amp; Supervisor of Investment Support and Medical Devices, Medical Equipment and IVDs Localization Project, Egyptian Drug Authority, Egypt</li> <li>• Mr. Thomas John, President, Association of Diagnostic Manufacturers of India and Managing Director of Agappe Diagnostics Ltd.</li> <li>• Mr. Carlos Gouvea, Executive Director, Brazilian In-Vitro Diagnostics Chambe (CBDL)</li> <li>• Ms. Benish Aslam, regional lead for the Government Affairs and Policy Committee and ESG, Asia Pacific Medical Technology Association (APACMed)</li> </ul> <p>Q&amp;A with Panelists</p>



09:50 – 10:45 Breakout Room 4	<i>Chair:</i> Dr. Morena Makhoana, Chief Executive Officer, Biovac
<b>Parallel Panel Discussion 12:</b> Overcoming Challenges in the Sustainable Production of Vaccines and Biologics	<i>Panelists:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Professor Nicaise Ndembi, Deputy Director General, and Inaugural Director IVI Africa Regional Office (IARO), Kigali, Rwanda</li> <li>• Professor William Ampofo, Chief Executive Officer, National Vaccine Institute, Executive Director, Africa Vaccine Manufacturing Initiative (AVMI)</li> <li>• Dr. Heba Wali, General Manager, Biogeneric Pharma, Egypt</li> <li>• Professor Catherine Green, University of Oxford, Co-Director, Vaccine Manufacturing Hub for LMICs, (Vax-Hub-Global)</li> <li>• Dr. Malik Metahri is the Chief Technical Officer, Julphar</li> <li>• Dr. Jens Demand, Director Product Life Cycle, PATH</li> </ul> <p>Q&amp;A with Panelists</p>

### Health break, Marketplace and Networking, Think Tank Square

10:45 – 12:45	
<b>Theme 4:</b> Enhancing Pandemic Preparedness and Response through Scalable Manufacturing, Predictable Demand and Surge Financing	
11:00 – 12:00 Hall 5	<i>Chair:</i> H. E. Dr Aaron Motsoaledi, Minister of Health, Ministry of Health, South Africa
<b>Plenary Panel Discussion 4:</b> Building Ever-Ready Capacity Through Scalable Manufacturing	<i>Panelists:</i> <p><i>Keynote:</i> Dr. Richard Hatchett, Chief Executive Officer, Coalition for Epidemic Preparedness Innovations (CEPI) <a href="#">[3 -min Video]</a></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ms. Daphne Von Buxhoeveden, Unit Head, Policy and Coordination (HERA.1), Health Emergency Preparedness and Response Authority, European Commission</li> <li>• Mr. Tim Nguyen, Secretariat, Tim Nguyen, WHO interim Medical Countermeasures Network (i-MCM-Net) Secretariat, Unit Head, Medical Countermeasures Unit, Epidemic and Pandemic Threat Management, WHO Health Emergencies Programme [virtual]</li> <li>• Dr. Jicui Dong, WHO Biomanufacturing Workforce Training Initiative and Scalable Manufacturing, Unit Head, Local Production and Assistance Unit, WHO</li> <li>• Dr. Matthew Downham, Director, Manufacturing &amp; Supply Chain Networks, Coalition for Epidemic Preparedness Innovations (CEPI)</li> <li>• Dr. Alejandro Gil, Chief Executive Officer, Sinergium Biotech, Argentina</li> <li>• Mr. Russell Thirsk, Chief Operating Officer, Bavarian Nordic</li> </ul> <p>Q&amp;A with Panelists</p>
12:00 – 13:00 Hall 5	<i>Chair:</i> H. E. Dr Aaron Motsoaledi, Minister of Health, Ministry of Health, South Africa



**Plenary Panel Discussion 5:**  
Ensuring Demand Predictability  
and Generation for Effective  
Response

*Panelists:*

- Ms. Marjolijn Sonnama, Vice Minister for Public Health, Ministry of Health, Welfare and Sports, the Kingdom of the Netherlands
- Dr. Carlos Correa, Executive Director, South Centre
- Mrs. Tania Sitoie, CEO, Mozambique National Regulatory Authority, Mozambique
- Dr Stavros Nicolaou, Group Senior Executive for Strategic Trade, Aspen
- Mr Roger Kampf, Counsellor at World Trade Organization

Q&A with Panelists

**Lunch break, Marketplace and Networking, Side events, Roundtables, Think Tank Square**

14:00 – 15:00

**Theme 5: Transforming Local Manufacturing with AI, Digitalization and Climate Change**

14:00 – 15:00  
Hall 5

**Parallel Panel Discussion 13:**

AI-Powered Innovation:  
Transforming Local  
Manufacturing Processes

*Chair:* Dr Mohd Nor Azman Hassan is currently the Deputy Secretary General (Technology Development) of the Ministry of Science, Technology and Innovation

*Panelists:*

- Dr. Marta Suarez Fernandez, Executive Director, Concept Foundation
- Dr. Ricardo Baptista Leite, CEO, HealthAI ([Virtual](#))
- Professor Renan Gonçalves Leonel da Silva, Health Ethics and Policy Lab, Department of Health Sciences and Technology, ETH Zurich, Switzerland
- Professor Anthony So, Director, Innovation+Design Enabling Access (IDEA) Initiative, John Hopkins University

Q&A with Panelists

14:00 – 15:00  
Breakout Room 1

**Parallel Panel Discussion 14:**

Data-Driven Decision Making:  
Leveraging Digitalization in Local  
Production

*Chair:* Dr. Houda Langar, Regional Advisor and Unit Lead, WHO-EMRO

*Panelists:*

- Prof. Dr. Nico Vandaele, Professor of Operations Research and Operations Management, Access-To-Medicines Research Centre
- Ms. Nohad Laamim, Chief Digital & Information Technology Officer, Univercells
- Ms. Vivien Santillan, Chair, ISPE Women in Pharma® International Steering Committee is the Regional Director for Asia and a Program Consultant of Novatek International
- Ms. Eleonora Brero, Senior Principal and Head of Life Sciences, IQVIA Middle East and Africa
- Mr. Andrew Owain Jones, Deputy Director, UNICEF Supply Division, UNICEF
- Ms Weidan Huang, Director of Strategy & Business Development Dept., Xiamen Innovax Biotech Co., Ltd., China

Q&A with Panelists

14:00 – 15:00

*Chair:* Dr. Mohammed Ismail, Reginal Coordinator, AFRO

Breakout Room 2	<b>Keynote:</b> Dr. Maria Neira, WHO Director of Public Health and Environment <a href="#">[3-min video]</a>
<b>Parallel Panel Discussion 15:</b> Climate Change: Integrating Sustainability into Local Production	<b>Panelists:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ms. Heran Gerba, Director General, Ethiopian Food and Drugs Authority, Ethiopia</li> <li>Professor Yerim Mbagnik Diop, Coordinator of the "DELIVERY UNIT" of the Local Pharmaceutical Industry Recovery Plan, Senegal</li> <li>Prof. Borut Strukelj, Health Industry Senior expert, UNIDO</li> <li>Dr. Perrin Toso, Director of Pharmaceutical Manufacturing Programs, United States Pharmacopeia (USP)</li> <li>Dr. Iain Barton, Health4Development</li> </ul> Q&A with Panelists

### Health break, Marketplace and Networking, Think Tank Square

15:30 – 17:30	
<b>Theme 6: Building Effective Partnerships for Thriving Local Production and Pandemic Preparedness</b>	
15:30 – 16:30 Hall 5	<b>Chair:</b> Professor Frederick Abbott, Edward Ball Eminent Scholar Professor of Law, College of Law, Florida State University, United States of America
<b>Plenary Panel Discussion 6:</b> Driving Sustainable Local Production: The Power of Collaboration and Partnerships	<b>Panelists:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Mr. Martin Seychell, Deputy Director General, Directorate General for International Partnerships, European Commission</li> <li>Ms. Claudia Martinez, Director of Research, Access to Medicines Foundation</li> <li>Dr. Farida Al Hosani, Deputy CEO, The Global Institute for Disease Elimination (GLIDE), The UAE</li> <li>Mr. Pierre Hugo, Vice President, Medicines for Malaria Venture (MMV)</li> <li>Ms. Shelly Malhotra, Vice President, Global Access and External Affairs at IAVI</li> <li>Ms. Caroline Amakobe Sande, UNICEF Representative, China</li> </ul> Q and A with Panelists
16:30 – 17:30 Hall 5	<b>Chair:</b> Charles Gore, Executive Director, Medicines Patent Pool (MPP)
<b>Plenary Panel Discussion 7:</b> Revisiting public-private partnerships for health products manufacturing	<b>Panelists:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Mr. Aman Siwach, Senior Director, Global Markets Team, Clinton Health Access Initiative</li> <li>Dr. Isaac T. Chikwanha, Senior Director, Investment Strategy, Access &amp; Delivery Global Health Investment Technology Fund</li> <li>Mr. Aggrey Aluso, Director, Africa Region and Global Policy Lead, Pandemic Action Network</li> <li>Mr. Manuel Batz, Head of Component Vaccine Manufacturing TEI MAV+, Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) GmbH</li> </ul> Q&A with Panelists

17:30 – 17:40

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Master of Ceremonies: announce the Chair of Day 3 parallel sessions (starting at 9:00am)

19:30 – 21:00

Official reception- Gala Dinner

### Day 3 – 9 April 2025

09:00 – 12:00

#### Theme 7: Local Production in Action - Sharing Member States' Experiences and Learning from Successes

09:00 – 11:00  
Breakout Room 3

**Parallel panel discussion 16:**  
WHO AFRO Member States  
Experiences: Practical  
Strategies and Lessons  
Learned in Establishing  
Conducive Local Production  
Environment

*Chair:* Dr Stephen Njuguna Waiguru, Senior Deputy Director Pharmaceutical Services, Ministry of Health, Kenya

*Panelists:*

- Dr Mebratu Masseb Cherinet Chief of Staff of the Minister office, Ministry of Health, Ethiopia
- Dr. Abdu Muktar, National Coordinator, Presidential Initiative on Unlocking Healthcare Value Chain. Nigeria
- Dr. Janet Byaruhanga, Senior Programme Officer, Health, AUDA-NEPAD (AU)
- Mr Ajay Kumar, Chief Executive Officer, QCIL, Uganda
- Mr. Harsh Mehta, Director of International Business Development, Revital Healthcare (EPZ) Limited. Kenya

Q and A with panelists

09:00 – 11:00  
Breakout Room 4

**Parallel panel discussion 17:**  
Improving Access to Medical  
Products: Case Studies on  
Vaccine R&D and Local  
Production in the Eastern  
Mediterranean

*Chair:* Dr. Awad Mataria, Director, Universal Health Coverage/Health Systems at the WHO Regional Office for the Eastern Mediterranean, EMRO

*Setting the Scene:* Dr. Houda Langer, Regional Advisor, EMRO

*Panelists:*

- H.E. Professor Mustapha Ferjani, Minister of Health, Tunisia
- Mr David Woo, Technical Officer, Local Production and Assistance Unit, Innovations and Emerging Technologies Department, WHO
- Dr. Sina Mozaffary, Senior Scientist, Mashhad University of Medical Sciences, Iran
- Dr. Michael Lusiola, Director, RVMC Secretariat
- Professor Abderrahmane Maaroufi, Director of Vaccine and Serum Center, Pasteur Institute of Morocco, Ministry of Health and Social Protection
- Dr. Makram Essafi, Professor in Immunology, Pasteur Institute, Tunisia

Q and A with panelists

09:00 – 11:00 Breakout Room 2	<p><i>Chair:</i> Dr. Judit Rius Sanjuan, Director of Innovation, Access to Medicines and Health Technologies (PAHO)</p> <p><i>Panelists:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mr. Nicolo Gligo, Economic Affairs Officer, Division of the Production, Productivity and Management, Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (ECLAC)</li> <li>• Ms. Maria Cristina Lara Bastanzuri, Director, Department of Drug Planning and Analysis, Ministry of Health, Cuba</li> <li>• Dra Carolina Gomez, Director of the Center for Thought on Medicines, Information and Power, Colombia</li> <li>• Ruben Abete, General Secretary, Latin American Association of the Pharmaceutical Industry</li> </ul> <p>Q and A with panelists</p>
09:00 – 11:00 Hall 8	<p><i>Chair:</i> Dr. Manisha Shridhar, Regional Advisor, Intellectual Property Rights, Trade and Health, SEARO</p> <p><i>Panelists:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mr. Mohammad Mozammel Hossain Khan, First Secretary (Drug Administration), Health Services Division, Bangladesh</li> <li>• Mr. Jefri Ardiyanto, Director, Pharmaceutical and Medical Devices Resilience, Indonesia</li> <li>• Dr. Shirshendu Mukherjee, Managing Director Wadhwani Foundation, India</li> <li>• Mr. Deepak Adhikari, Senior Public Health Officer, Department of Health Services, Ministry of Health and Population, Nepal</li> <li>• Dr Anil Sawant, Chair of the Board of Directors, Parenteral Drugs Association</li> <li>• Dr. Madhur Gupta, Technical Officer- Pharmaceuticals, WHO India Country Office, India</li> </ul> <p>Q and A with Panelists</p>
09:00 – 11:00 Breakout Room 1	<p><i>Chair:</i> Mr Rasmus P. Gjesing – Regional Adviser, Access to Medicines &amp; Health Products, WHO EURO</p> <p><i>Panelists:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mr. Zhannur Kaligozhin, Advisor to the Minister / Head of the Project Office for Development of the Pharmaceutical Industry, Ministry of Healthcare of Kazakhstan</li> <li>• Mr. Azizov Abdulla Abdisalamovich, Director, the Pharmaceutical Industry Development Agency under the Ministry of Health, the Republic of Uzbekistan</li> <li>• Ms. Melda Keçik, Deputy Director, Turk İlaç</li> <li>• Milica Bajcetic, Faculty of Medicine, University of Belgrade, Serbia</li> </ul> <p>Q and A with Panelists</p>
09:00 – 11:00 Hall 5	<p><i>Moderator:</i> Dr. Shin Jinho, Medical Officer Medical Officer, Regional Office for the Western Pacific, World Health Organization</p> <p><i>Chair:</i> Dr Mohd Nor Azman Hassan is currently the Deputy Secretary General (Technology Development) of the Ministry of Science, Technology and Innovation, Malaysia</p> <p><i>Panelists:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dr Bounxou Keohavong, Director-General, Food and Drug Department, MOH, Lao PDR</li> <li>• Ms. Patricia Tiosejo, Department of Health, Pharmaceutical Division</li> <li>• Dr Chunlin Xin, CanSino Biologics Inc., People's Republic of China</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Dr Jae Kyun KIM, ADB, ADB Project Case in Bangladesh: Vaccines, Therapeutics, and Diagnostics Manufacturing and Regulatory Strengthening (VTDm-RS)</li> </ul> <p>Q and A with panelists</p>
<b>Health break, Marketplace, Networking, Think Tank Square</b>	
11:15– 12:00 Hall 5 <b>Plenary session 8:</b> Convening all 6 regions to report	<p><i>Chair: Master of Ceremony</i></p> <p><i>Panelists:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Mr. Duncan Thela, Local Production Consultant/Technical Officer, WHO African Region and HQ Local Production and Assistance Unit</li> <li>Dr Adi Al-Nuseirat : Technical Officer, AMT/EMRO</li> <li>Ms. Maria Cristina Lara Bastanzuri, Director, Department of Drug Planning and Analysis, Ministry of Health, Cuba</li> <li><b>EURO Rapporteur</b></li> <li>Dr. Madhur Gupta, Technical Officer- Pharmaceuticals, WHO India Country Office, India</li> <li>Dr. Aytan Garayusifova, Consultant, WHO WPRO</li> </ul>
<b>Lunch break, Marketplace and Networking, Side events, Roundtables, Think Tank Square, Launch of Some Initiatives</b>	
13:00 – 14:25 <b>Theme 8:</b> <b>CEOs Forum- Leading Successful Industry with Public Health Impact</b>	
13:00 – 14:25 Hall 5 <b>Plenary Panel Discussion 9:</b> CEO Forum- Shaping the Future of Local Production for Sustainable Growth	<p><i>Chair:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Mr Rajinder Kumar Suri, Chief Executive Officer, Developing Countries Vaccine Manufacturers Network (DCVMN)</li> </ul> <p><i>Panelists:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Dr. Esper Georges Kallás, CEO of Instituto Butantan</li> <li>Dr. Stella Chinyelu Okoli, Emzor Pharmaceutical Manufacturing Company, Nigeria (virtual)</li> <li>Mr. Sriram Natarajan, CEO, Molbio Diagnostics PVT LTD.</li> <li>Dr. Xuefeng Yu, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, CanSino Biologics Inc. China</li> </ul> <p>Q&amp;A with Panelists</p>
<b>Health break, Marketplace, Networking, Think Tank Square</b>	
14:30 – 15:15 <b>Special Sessions:</b>	
14:30 – 15:15 Hall 5 <b>Parallel Panel Discussion 22:</b> Women Leading the Charge: Empowering Women in Local Production	<p><i>Chair:</i> Dr. Obaidullah Malik, Chief Executive Officer, Drug Regulatory Authority of Pakistan</p> <p><i>Panelists:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ms. Gülşah Sönmez, Chief Executive Officer, Bome Trivitron Sanayi Ürünleri Dış Ticaret AŞ, Turkey</li> <li>Dr. Nibal Dahaba, Cofounder - General Manager, Gennecs/ Gennvax - Emerging Markets</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ms. Vivien Santillan, Chair, ISPE Women in Pharma® International Steering Committee is the Regional Director for Asia and a Program Consultant of Novatek International</li> </ul> <p>Q and A with Panelists</p>
14:30 – 15:15 Breakout Room 1	<i>Chair:</i> Dr Foluke Olusegun, Senior Program Officer, African Leaders Malaria Alliance (ALMA)
<b>Parallel Panel Discussion 23:</b> Building the Future: Engaging Youth in Local Production	<p><i>Panelists:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ms. Anna Liakopoulou, International Federation of Medical Students' Association (IFMSA)</li> <li>Dr. Chrys Promesse Kaniki, Senior Technical Officer for Strategic Programmes Executive Office, Africa CDC</li> <li>Dr. Hamaiyal Sana, Vice Chair, World Health Organization Youth Council</li> <li>Mr. Undi Suhartono Head of Production Departement PT BIOFARMA (persero), Indonesia</li> </ul> <p>Q and A with Panelists</p>
14:30 – 15:15 Breakout Room 2	<i>Chair:</i> Dr. Alexandra Cameron, Unit Head, AMR Division, WHO
<b>Parallel Panel Discussion 24:</b> Curbing Antimicrobial Resistance and Non-Communicable Diseases with Local Production	<p><i>Panelists:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Dr Jasper Claessen (PhD) is a team coordinator at the Department of Pharmaceutical Affairs, Ministry of Health, Welfare and sport, the Kingdom of the Netherlands</li> <li>Mr. Pierre Hugo, Vice President, Medicines for Malaria Venture (MMV)</li> <li>Ms. Melynda Watkins, Senior Director, Product Development and Regulatory Affairs at Clinton Health Access Initiative</li> <li>Mr. Rahul Dwivedi, Lead, Serious Bacterial Infections Access, Global Antibiotic Research &amp; Development Partnership (GARDP)</li> <li>Ms. Faith (Khanyisile) Mangwanya, Programme Officer Regional Manufacturing, Unitaidd</li> </ul> <p>Q and A with panelists</p>
14:30 – 15:15 Breakout Room 3	<i>Moderator:</i> Michael Lusiola, Director, RVMC Secretariat
<b>Parallel Panel Discussion 25:</b> Strengthening Regional Vaccine Manufacturing Networks	<p><i>Chair:</i> Dr. Frederik Kristensen, Managing Director, RVMC</p> <p><i>Panelists:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Dr. Santiago Cornejo, Executive Manager, Pan American Health Organization Regional Revolving Fund, Pan American Health Organization</li> <li>Mr. Wesley Kiplangat Rono, Market Shaping Lead, Africa CDC</li> <li>Sunate Chuenkitmongkol, Deputy Director Scientific Affair at National Vaccine Institute Thailand</li> <li>Dr. Houda Langar, Regional Advisor and Unit Lead, WHO-EMRO</li> </ul> <p>Q and A with panelists</p>

**Participants reconvene in the plenary hall**

	15:30 – 16:35 <b>Grand Closing</b>
15:30 – 16:00 Hall 5	<i>Chair:</i> Master of Cermony

<b>Member States and Stakeholders' Reflections on WLPF</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ms. Heran Gerba, Director General, Ethiopian Food and Drugs Authority, Ethiopia <b>TBC</b></li> <li>• Dr Mohd Nor Azman Hassan is currently the Deputy Secretary General (Technology Development) of the Ministry of Science, Technology and Innovation, Malaysia</li> <li>• Mr. Stefan Eichwalder, Deputy Director General of Health Systems Division, Federal Ministry of Health, Austria</li> <li>• Dr. Lucia Rizka Andalusia, Deputy Minister of Pharmaceutical and Medical Devices, Ministry of Health, Indonesia</li> <li>• Professor Abderrahmane Maaroufi, Director of Vaccine and Serum Center, Pasteur Institute of Morocco, Ministry of Health and Social Protection</li> <li>• Ms. Maria Cristina Lara Bastanzuri, Director, Department of Drug Planning and Analysis, Ministry of Health, Cuba</li> </ul>
16:00– 16:15 Hall 5	Moderator: Dr Matthew Stephenson, Head, Investment and Services, World Economic Forum Speaker:
<b>Key Recommendations and Outcomes</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dr Jicui Dong, WLPF Secretariat and Unit Head, Local Production and Assistance Unit, WHO</li> </ul>
16:15– 16:35 Hall 5	Chair: Master of Ceremony
<b>Closing remarks</b>	Speakers: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• H. E. Abdulrahman bin Mohamed Al Owais, Minister of Health and Prevention, United Arab Emirates TBC [Emma invite UAE ministers and Indonesia Dy Minister for UAE to pass the torch by ADG, WHO]</li> <li>• Dr. Lucia Rizka Andalusia, Deputy Minister of Pharmaceutical and Medical Devices, Ministry of Health, Indonesia [Announce the fourth hosting country]</li> <li>• Dr. Yukiko Nakatani, Assistant Director General, Access to Medicines and Health Products Division, WHO</li> </ul>

#### End of the program