

GAHP Executive Committee Meeting Summary

The GAHP Executive Committee met via teleconference on 22nd February 2018 from 08:00 – 9:00 New York time. The below is a summary of the discussion and decisions taken.

Administrative Business

- The minutes from the last meeting on 17 January 2018 were approved.
- Due to sharp increases in the number of request for membership, updates to the policy for approving NGO members were discussed and approved. NGOs wishing to join should submit a formal letter requesting membership and outlining how their activities will contribute to GAHP's goal/objectives. The Secretariat will now provide all information on NGOs up for membership approval a week in advance of Executive Committee meetings. Objections or request for more information should be sent in advance in writing to the Secretariat. The Secretariat will revise the constitutive document accordingly and post on the website, as well as compile a quick summary under membership section of the website.
- The Secretariat approved five new members:
 - Sustainable World
 - Reproductive Health Uganda
 - NCD Alliance
 - Educar Consumidores
 - Carnegie Mellon University School of Computer Science
- Dates for the 2018 GAHP meeting will be proposed at the next meeting.

Programmatic Business

- **Revitalizing GAHP Subcommittees.** The Secretariat will convene four GAHP subcommittees that will report to the Executive Committee. Two were preexisting: HPAP and Communications. Two are new: Metrics and Strategy. All GAHP members and observers are invited to participate. The Subcommittees are an opportunity for all members and observers to directly provide input into GAHP's activities. Secretariat will issue an invitation to all. Subcommittees will meet for approximately 30 minutes each month.
- **Communications Subcommittee,** led by Ms. Angela Bernhardt, is working on two reports: a regional and country based report of the Lancet Commission pollution and health data, and a report on the transboundary nature of pollution and its impacts.
- **Health and Pollution Action Planning (HPAP) Subcommittee,** led by Mr. Drew McCartor will meet in March to review the draft HPAP report for Madagascar. HPAPs in Madagascar, Thailand, Colombia, Ghana, Tanzania, Philippines and Kyrgyzstan are moving ahead.

- **Strategy Subcommittee** will focus on operationalizing the GAHP strategy, and will be led by Mr. Richard Fuller. The group will focus on raising attention at the political level and crafting messaging regarding solutions.
- **Pollution Metrics Subcommittee** will be led by Dr. Phil Landrigan, and will look at the Pollution Observatory, tracking exposures and bringing the data onto one platform, evaluating health metrics associated with those exposures.
- **Independent Assessment of GAHP.** The UNIDO-commissioned independent assessment of GAHP is now available to all members and observers on the GAHP website. The Executive Committee will hold a special meeting to discuss it within 6 weeks.
- The next Executive Committee call will be held in approximately four weeks.