GAHP Executive Committee Meeting Summary

The GAHP Executive Committee met via teleconference on 28th March 2018 from 08:00 – 9:00 New York time. The below is a summary of the discussion and decisions taken.

Administrative Business

- The meeting minutes from 22nd February were approved.

Programmatic Business

- The Secretariat discussed the results of the recent IHME meeting on the Burden of Disease and a recently published paper on Lead by Bruce Lanphear, and implications for GAHP.

- *GAHP Subcommittees.* The Subcommittees are an opportunity for all members and observers to directly provide input into GAHPs activities. The other subcommittees, except for the Communications Subcommittee have not yet met due to scheduling conflicts, but are expected to convene in April.

- *Communications Subcommittee*. A draft of the Transboundary Report will be available soon. The World's Worst Polluting Report is still in process. GAHP is working with new GAHP member Carnegie Mellon University's CREATE Lab to incorporate temporal data on pollution into their EarthTime platform, to be launched on Earth Day in April. GAHP presented the Lancet Commission report at UNICEF last week. Edelman PR firm is keen to assist GAHP to build on the momentum of the Lancet Commission. The Canadian Permanent Mission to the UN hosted a Lancet Commission briefing event on 16th March, with Commissioners Dr. Landrigan and Ms. McTeer. Several countries in attendance were eager to learn about the reports and its findings. GAHP is collaborating with the NCD Alliance on messaging concerning the inclusion of pollution as a risk factor for NCDs for the High Level Meeting on NCDs of the UN in September.

- *LMIC Member Requests.* The Secretariat has received written requests for technical assistance from Argentina, Nepal, Cambodia, and expects to receive more in the coming months, especially from some African countries. The Secretariat is pursuing some funding opportunities to try to respond to these requests.

- The next Executive Committee call will be held on April 3rd, 2018. All ExecComm members are encouraged to participate.