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Networking for Promoting Change Towards ONE WORLD ONE HEALTH

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With the close interrelationship between humans and animals, many health concerns are becoming increasingly similar. Several important harmonization and globalization efforts are currently underway within modern day research in health sciences. These are intended to facilitate interactions not only between human and veterinary medicine but also among the diverse areas of specialization including the field of environmental science and ecology. Today's rapidly changing world necessitates the integration of the multifaceted activities associated with human, animal and ecological health. The complexity of issues arising in human and veterinary medicine and ecological imbalance necessitate improved communication between disciplines. The 'One Health' initiative is intended to help overcome many of the obstacles impeding effective inter-disciplinary communication. The mission of the 'One Health' is to provide a forum for communication between member organizations via different means of interactions. This innovative effort is the first international multidisciplinary initiative to unite human and animal health scientists as well as individuals from all areas of expertise, thereby fostering a better understanding of the challenges encountered within each specialty and providing unique perspectives on issues to assist in creative problem solving.

Knowledge and communication are two of the keys to successful research and development of the 'One Health' approach towards a safe planet for all its present and future inhabitants. In the past, we have witnessed the lack of accessible communication networks, failure to share information perceived as being proprietary, and a lack of outlets for the dissemination of knowledge. In this year's conference we shall be discussing how networking, with the purpose to facilitate communications and interactions, exchange of information, ideas and pedagogical resources could be established; how cooperation and collaboration between national, regional and international partners/scientific community in the animal-human-ecosystem interface could be promoted in order to prevent, control and mitigate the emerging, re-emerging and zoonotic diseases, along with issues like climate changes. It also will review current efforts in each of these areas, highlighting the advantages of such activities, the depth and breadth of similar opportunities and formulate recommendations for future directions toward a common goal. We hope to help create a space in which human health, veterinary, environmental and social scientists and all participants may learn from one another, collaborate in research, and cooperate towards effective implementation of One Health agenda for a safer and better planet.

For the first time, we are going to organize a two-day long Pre-conference Workshop prior to the Annual Scientific Conference devoted to review progress towards implementation of One Health approaches to zoonotic disease surveillance, control, prevention, and response. The workshop will be facilitated by the Atlanta-based CDC (USA) with a view to supporting a regional One Health forum for Bangladesh, India, Pakistan, and Afghanistan. The workshop outputs/recommendations will be endorsed and disseminated to the wider community via all participants and media throughout the three days of the conference.

OBJECTIVES OF THE CONFERENCE

1. Highlight the "Global One Health Network" approach for effective response to human, animal and ecosystem health
2. Address the networking gaps at local, national, regional and international levels of technical expertise with a view to establish collaborative relationships that improve the national and international capacity building
3. Discuss the significance of cross-professional collaboration/networking in Bangladesh and its implementation for strategies in research, education and development as a concerted effort
4. Identify the avenues to share useful information/resources among professionals of animal, human health and other related organizations towards a safer and healthier planet
5. Discuss the strategies to overcome barriers of successful communication between animal, human and environmental health
6. Sharing national and international experience and expertise on wildlife and marine life health and their relationship with climate change and environmental degradation.
7. Beginning of a "South Asian regional One Health forum" to foster the progress in implementing the 'One Health' agenda

WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

Physicians, veterinarians, animal scientists, agriculturists, environmentalists, marine and fisheries scientists, wildlife specialists, zoologists, biologists, social scientists, policy makers, development partners, development practitioners, public health experts, Journalists & Conservationists.

IMPORTANT dates to REMEMBER

- Deadline for registration : 20 March, 2010
- Deadline for abstract submission : 20 March, 2010
- Date of conference : 7-9 April, 2010

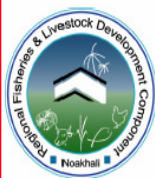
EXPECTING INTERNATIONAL PARTICIPANTS

- University of Copenhagen, Denmark
- Royal Veterinary College, London
- Centre for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC, Atlanta, USA)
- Wildlife Trust, USA, New York
- Madras Veterinary College, India
- Arid Agricultural University, Rawalpindi, Pakistan

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