

5th African Network for Influenza Surveillance and Epidemiology Meeting



9-11 March 2016: Kigali Serena Hotel; Kigali, Rwanda

Agenda Day 1: Wednesday, 9 March 2016 – Kigali Serena Hotel, Ballroom		
07:30-08:00	Registration and welcome coffee	
Opening Remarks and Welcome <i>Moderated by the Rwanda Health Communication Centre</i>		
08:00-08:10	Country Director, CDC Rwanda	Gene MacDonald
08:10-08:20	WHO Country Representative for Rwanda	Olushayo Oluseun Olu
08:20-08:35	Honourable Minister of Health of Rwanda	Hon. Agnes Binagwaho
08:35-08:40	Goals and objectives of the ANISE 2016 meeting	Ann Moen
08:40-08:45	African Society for Laboratory Medicine (ASLM) and ANISE	Mah-Sere Keita
WHO Headquarter and AFRO Update on Global Influenza Activities <i>Moderated by Julius Lutwama and Ndahwouh Talla Nzussouo</i>		
08:45-09:00	Improving vaccine strain selection	Julia Fitzner
09:00-09:15	Epidemiological and virological surveillance of influenza in the WHO African region: Status, lessons learned, issues and challenges, proposed way forward	Soatiana Rajatonirina
09:15-09:30	Influenza severity assessment	Julia Fitzner
09:30-09:45	Discussion	
09:45-10:15	Break & group picture (picture location to be announced)	
The Epidemiology of Influenza in Africa: What We Know and What We Do Not Know <i>Moderated by Meredith McMorrow</i>		
10:15-10:45	Epidemiology of influenza in Africa: What we know and what we do not	Stefano Tempia
Special Presentation: Post-Ebola Resilience in West Africa <i>Moderated by Mah-Sere Keita</i>		
10:45-11:00	Special Presentation	William Ampofo
ANISE Executive Committee <i>Moderated by Cheryl Cohen and Jean-Michel Heraud</i>		
11:00-11:30	Introduction of the ANISE charter and Executive Committee	Cheryl Cohen
11:30-12:00	Discussion	
12:00-13:00	Lunch	
Preparing for Expanded Use of Influenza Vaccines in Africa, Session I <i>Moderated by Joseph Bresee and William Ampofo</i>		
13:00-13:10	Considerations for increasing influenza vaccination programmes in Africa	Joseph Bresee
13:10-13:25	Perspectives from Rwanda	Hassan Sibomana
13:25-13:40	Partnership for influenza vaccine introduction	Mark McKinlay
13:40-14:00	Discussion	
14:00-14:15	Development of economic data for vaccine decisions: Intro to WHO tools	Philipp Lambach
14:15-14:30	Approaches to maternal immunization programmes in Africa: A Kenya model	Meredith McMorrow
14:30-14:40	Global action plan for influenza vaccines, update	William Ampofo
14:40-15:00	Discussion	

15:00-15:30	Break	
Vaccines, Session II – Country Experiences with Influenza Vaccination <i>Moderated by Joseph Bresee and William Ampofo</i>		
15:30-16:15	Panel discussion of experiences with influenza vaccination <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Ghana: William Ampofo; Kenya: Philip Muthoka; Morocco: Abdelaziz Barkia; Rwanda: Hassan Sibomana; South Africa: Cheryl Cohen; South Africa: Patrick Tippoo; Uganda: Julius Lutwama 	
16:15	END OF DAY ONE	
16:15-17:00	CLOSED INVITE ONLY: ANISE Executive Committee (Location: Serena Ballroom)	
Agenda Day 2: Thursday, 10 March 2016 – Kigali Serena Hotel, Ballroom		
08:00-08:15	Day 2 welcome and summary of day 1	Meredith McMorro
Laboratory Methods <i>Moderated by Florette Treurnicht and Steven Lindstrom</i>		
08:15-08:30	Support strategies and performance evaluation for influenza testing capabilities among African laboratories	Steve Lindstrom
08:30-08:45	Challenges experienced in isolation and antigenic characterization of H3N2 strains: Recommendations/Useful tips to NICs	John McCauley
08:45-08:55	Quality management in the virology laboratory: Proficiency testing and internal quality controls (IQCs)	Amelia Buys
08:55-09:15	Discussion	
Building Surveillance Systems in Africa <i>Moderated by Joseph Rukelibuga and Ann Moen</i>		
09:15-09:25	Sharing experiences from Cote d'Ivoire	Daouda Coulibaly
09:25-09:35	Diagnosis of respiratory pathogens in patients with acute respiratory illness using multiplex PCR in Rwanda, 2012-2013 (abstract 35)	Alice Kabanda
09:35-09:45	Syndromic surveillance network: A way to sustain influenza surveillance in Senegal (abstract 19)	Mbayame Niang
09:45-09:55	Co-infection of malaria & influenza viruses: Uganda pilot study (abstract 39)	Barbara Namagambo
09:55-10:00	Discussion	
10:00-10:30	Break	
Influenza Surveillance Systems: Ways to Use Your Data <i>Moderated by Barbara Namagambo and Henry Njuguna</i>		
10:30-10:45	Timing of influenza epidemics	Eduardo Azziz-Baumgartner
10:45-11:00	The moving epidemic method (MEM) to estimate influenza severity and intensity in South Africa	Jazmin Duque
11:00-11:15	Burden of disease WHO manual	Julia Fitzner
11:15-11:30	Discussion	
Breakout Sessions		
11:30-12:40	Group 1: Influenza laboratory methods <i>Diagnostics, sequencing, multiplex assays, research collaborations</i>	Moderated by Florette Treurnicht, Steven Lindstrom
	Group 2: Future collaborations of the ANISE network <i>Timing of influenza epidemics for optimal vaccination and multi-country collaboration to identify risk factors for influenza infection and related complications</i>	Moderated by Cheryl Cohen, Stefano Tempia, Eduardo Azziz-Baumgartner, Gideon Emukule
12:40-12:50	Group 1 – report back presentation	
12:50-13:00	Group 2 – report back presentation	

13:00-14:00	Lunch	
Burden of Influenza and Risk Factors <i>Moderated by Daniel Bausch and Issaka Maman</i>		
14:00-14:15	Estimating burden of influenza-associated SARI & ILI: Ghana (abstract 1)	Michael Ntiri
14:15-14:30	Cost of influenza-associated hospitalizations and outpatient visits in Kenya	Gideon Emukule
14:30-14:45	Risk factors for influenza-associated severe acute respiratory illness hospitalization in a high HIV prevalence setting - South Africa, 2012-2015	Stefano Tempia
14:45-15:00	Discussion	
Humans, Animals, and the Environment <i>Moderated by Orienka Hellferscee and Carolina Granados</i>		
15:00-15:15	Preparedness to respond to emerging and zoonotic diseases (abstract 14)	Marietjie Venter
15:15-15:30	Global Health Security Agenda	Gene MacDonald
15:30-15:45	Pilot programme for integrated human and animal surveillance for influenza and other respiratory pathogens (abstract 15)	Daniel Bausch
15:45-16:00	Discussion	
16:00-17:00	Poster sessions	
17:00	END OF DAY TWO	
Day 3: Friday, 11 March 2016 – Kigali Serena Hotel, Ballroom		
08:00-08:15	Day 3 welcome and summary of day 2	Joseph Rukelibuga
Future of the ANISE Network <i>Moderated by Jean-Michel Heraud and Richard Njougoum</i>		
08:15-08:30	General update from the ANISE core group	Mazyanga Liwewe
08:30-09:30	Discussion	
09:30-10:00	Break	
Evaluation of Influenza Surveillance in Africa <i>Moderated by Lauren Polansky and Stefano Tempia</i>		
10:00-10:30	Overview of the process of evaluation	Lauren Polansky, Stefano Tempia
10:30-10:50	Evaluation of influenza sentinel surveillance system in Madagascar, 2009-2014 (abstract 16)	Alain Rakotoarisoa
10:50-11:00	Discussion	
Influenza Pandemic Preparedness <i>Moderated by Sibongile Walaza and Zekiba Tarnagda</i>		
11:00-11:15	Update on global H5 and H7	Eduardo Azziz-Baumgartner
11:15-11:30	Tool for influenza pandemic risk assessment	Julia Fitzner
11:30-11:45	Right sizing surveillance systems	Ann Moen
11:45-12:00	Discussion	
12:00-12:30	Meeting summary and adjourn	Corey White
12:30-13:30	Lunch	
14:00-16:00	Visit to the Kigali Genocide Memorial Centre	