

Global Coalition for Evidence



Post-launch webinar

Building a strong Global Coalition for Evidence: Shaping the Path Ahead

Virtual (MS Teams)
28 November 2024, 4pm – 5:30pm (CET)

Background

The <u>Global Coalition for Evidence</u> was launched at the <u>Global Evidence Summit</u> in Prague in September 2024 to meet the growing demand for robust evidence and stronger evidence-to-decision systems across health and health-related sectors, academic disciplines and methodological approaches. This partnership transcends geographical boundaries to strengthen the global evidence ecosystem with a focus on fostering the integration of different evidence workstreams and institutionalizing evidence-informed decision-making (EIDM). It will advance a global agenda of **Collaboration**, **Coordination** and **Consolidation** to accelerate progress toward the health-related Sustainable Development Goals, focusing on three key objectives:

- Strengthening national science-for-policy systems: Promote and institutionalize evidenceinformed decision-making to ensure that health and health-related policy decisions are grounded in robust scientific evidence.
- Improving integration of evidence workstreams: Facilitate the alignment and integration of diverse evidence workstreams, ensuring effective synthesis and application of different sources of evidence in policy for improved health outcomes.
- Advancing the global research agenda on research use: Identify gaps and prioritize key research areas to drive a global knowledge translation (KT) agenda that emphasizes the role of evidence in enhancing health and related outcomes.

The Coalition will be operationalized through several working groups, including the following four initial working groups:

- 1. Understanding EIDM Institutionalization and strengthening national evidence-for-policy systems
- 2. Integrating different evidence workstreams
- 3. Setting priorities and promoting research on research use
- 4. Promoting collaborative learning for linking evidence and decisions

WHO will host a 1:30 hours post-launch webinar to introduce the four working groups and gather feedback from potential future Coalition members on the working groups' scope and potential contributions to the Coalition and working groups.



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Webinar objectives

The webinar has the following objectives:

- To introduce the initial working groups of the Global Coalition of Evidence.
- To discuss and collect feedback from potential members/interested organizations on the working groups' scope.
- To generate interest in membership and contributions to the working groups.

Draft agenda

1:30 hours (90 mins)

16:00-16:10	Plenary	Keynote: Welcome and presentation of the webinar's agenda
10 mins		 Welcoming remarks
		Agenda
16:10-16:30	Plenary	Plenary discussion: Introduction of the working groups
20 mins		 Introducing the four initial working groups
16:30-17:20	Working	Group discussions (two rounds): Learning more about and
50 mins	session	contributing to the scope of the Coalition's working groups
		 Discussing the scope of the Coalition's working groups
		 Reporting back: summarizing key highlights of the group
		discussions
17:20-17:30	Plenary	Closing
10 mins		 Highlighting next steps of the establishment of the Coalition

Speakers and facilitators

- **Tanja Kuchenmüller**, Unit Head, Evidence to Policy and Impact, Research for Health Department, Science Division, World Health Organization, Switzerland
- Laurenz Mahlanza-Langer, Executive Director, Pan-African Collective for Evidence, South Africa
- Laura dos Santos Boeira, Executive Director of Veredas, Brazil
- **Holger Schünemann,** Professor of Public Health and Preventive Medicine and Director of the Clinical Epidemiology and Research Center, Humanitas University in Milan, Italy
- Annette Boaz, Professor of Health and Social Care, King's College London, United Kingdom
- Sandy Oliver, Co-Director, Evidence for Policy & Practice Information Centre, UCL Social Research Institute, United Kingdom
- Peter Kasadha, Research Associate, Center for Rapid Evidence Synthesis, Uganda