



# ACCELERATING PROGRESS FOR SCHISTOSOMIASIS CONTROL AND ELIMINATION POST-2020

GSA CONSULTATION MEETING ON THE WHO  
TARGETS FOR SCHISTOSOMIASIS CONTROL AND  
ELIMINATION BY 2030

*25-26 April 2019*

*Addis Ababa, Ethiopia*

## Context

The World Health Organization 2012-2020 roadmap for NTDs has motivated and inspired huge progress in the control and/or elimination of NTDs including schistosomiasis. As we approach the end of the Roadmap timeframe, there is a need to establish a new vision for schistosomiasis for the period of 2020 to 2030 to maintain the current momentum towards elimination and to demonstrate the contribution of schistosomiasis elimination to the global development agenda. The Global Schistosomiasis Alliance, hosted by the Ethiopian Federal Ministry of Health, is holding a consultation meeting with experts, stakeholders and the WHO NTD department to discuss and agree the WHO goals, targets and indicators for the new NTD Roadmap document which will be submitted for review to the WHO Strategic and Technical Advisory Group for NTDs (STAG-NTDs) at the end of April 2019.

## Desired Outcome

Defined goals, targets, indicators and milestones for schistosomiasis control and elimination post-2020 and community-led implementation of the Schistosomiasis Action Plan

## Outline Agenda and Objectives to achieve the Desired Outcome

### Day 1: Reviewing Progress and Identifying Targets for the schistosomiasis community

Session 1 Progress up to 2020 and current schistosomiasis situation

1. *Objective: Inform and update all participants of progress made on 2020 NTD roadmap*

Session 2 Achievable Goals and targets for 2030

2. *Objective: Discuss WHO proposed targets, milestones and indicators for schistosomiasis 2030.*

Session 3 Programmatic implications of 2030 targets

3. *Objective: Discuss current and future implications of the proposed 2030 targets and determine how these will be monitored and assessed.*

Session 4 Wrap-up of Day 1

4. *Objective: Produce consensus list of goals, targets, indicators and milestones*

### Day 2: Achieving The 2030 Targets by implementing the Schistosomiasis Action Plan

Session 5: Access to Preventative Chemotherapy

5. *Objective: Based on 2030 targets and Schistosomiasis Action Plan determine workplan to achieve Access to PC and schistosomiasis elimination.*

Session 6: Interventions to sustain control and lead to elimination

6. *Objective: Based on proposed 2030 targets and Schistosomiasis Action plan determine workplan to achieve sustained control and elimination targets.*

Session 7: Moving towards interruption of transmission

7. *Objective: Inform participants of countries ready to transition to interruption of transmission and inform/determine what are/should be the processes for verification.*

Session 8: Country ownership and resource needs

8. *Objective: Consult on the experiences and needs for fostering in-country capacity and domestic financing to achieve the post 2020 goals.*

Session 9: Wrap up Day 2 and close meeting

9. *Objective: Determine the next steps for implementing the schistosomiasis action plan to achieve the 2020-2030 targets*

## Desired Outputs from the meeting

1. A set of recommended schistosomiasis targets, indicators and milestones for 2020 to 2030 to be submitted to STAG.
2. Synthesis of the workplans, the 'Working Document' and the proposed 2020-2030 targets into one document on the practical application of the Schistosomiasis Action Plan.

Meeting Chair/Facilitator: Paul Hagan

Rapporteurs: Steffi Knopp and Jaspreet Toor

Meeting coordinators: Anouk Gouvras and Kelli Jehle

MEETING AGENDA		
Day 1	25 April 2019	Name
8:15 – 8:45	Opening and welcome Objectives of the meeting Introductions from participant <i>Meeting Chair: Paul Hagan</i>	H.E Dr. Lia Tadess Nebiyu Negussu Gautam Biswas David Rollinson
<b>Session 1. Progress up to 2020 and current schistosomiasis situation</b> <i>Objective: Inform and update all participants of progress made on 2020 NTD roadmap</i> <i>Moderators: David Rollinson and Nebiyu Negussu</i>		
8:45 – 10:45	<b>Status of Schistosomiasis control and elimination – Where are we in relation to the 2020 NTD road map goals</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Situation of control and elimination in the WHO regions AFRO, EMRO, WPRO-SEARO, AMRO</li> <li>Impact of PC for schistosomiasis 2008-2017</li> <li>View from programme managers Nigeria and Brazil</li> </ul>	Presentations from WHO and Regional offices. Maria Rebollo Polo, Aya Yajima, Reda Ramzy Penelope Vounatsou Obiageli Nebe, Jeann Marie da Rocha Marcelino
10:45 - 11:00	<b><i>Tea and coffee Break</i></b>	
<b>Session 2. Achievable Goals and 2030 targets</b> <i>Objective: Discuss WHO proposed targets, milestones and indicators for schistosomiasis 2030</i> <i>Moderators: Simon Brooker and Louis-Albert Tchuem-Tchuente</i>		
11:00 – 12:45	<b>Context of the new goals setting</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>UHC, GPW13, SDGs</li> </ul> <b>What could be achieved in the period 2021-2030?</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Proposed WHO goals and targets for 2030</li> <li>Feasibility of achieving and sustaining WHO goals in different settings: insights from modelling</li> </ul>	Presentation from WHO  WHO  Jaspreet Toor

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Indicators, milestones, targets</li> <li>Highlights from pre-meeting working document</li> </ul> <b>Open Discussion</b>	Anouk Gouvras/Yael Velleman
12:45 - 14:00	<b>Lunch break</b>	
<b>Session 3. Programmatic implications of 2030 targets</b> <i>Objective: Discuss current and future implications of the proposed 2030 targets and determine how these will be monitored and assessed.</i> <i>Moderators: Yaobi Zhang, Jiagang Guo</i>		
14:00 – 16:00	Presentation/s: <b>How to measure progress towards WHO goals?</b> <b>Open Discussion to include:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Monitoring framework of targets</li> <li>Implications of indicators - Use of diagnostics and sentinel sights for Elimination as a public health problem</li> <li>Morbidity indicators, FGS and HIV</li> <li>Insights into transmission interruption verification process</li> </ul>	Amadou Garba Djirmay, Antonio Montresor, Pauline Mwinzi  Louis-Albert Tchuem Tchuente Fiona Fleming
16:00- 16:30	<b>Tea and coffee Break</b>	
<b>Session 4. Synthesis, summary, and wrap-up of Day 1</b> <i>Objective: Produce consensus list of goals, targets, indicators and milestones</i> <i>Moderators: Wendy Harrison and Mamoun Homeida</i>		
16:30 – 17:30	<b>Discussions, recommendations, and next steps</b>	Paul Hagan, Amadou Garba Djirmay
19:00 – Group Dinner in Hotel		

Day Two	26 April 2019	Name
8:30 – 8:45	Review of Day One Reviewing targets from Day 1	Paul Hagan
<b>Session 5. Access to Preventative Chemotherapy</b> <i>Objective: Based on 2030 targets and Schistosomiasis Action Plan determine workplan to achieve Access to PC and schistosomiasis elimination.</i> <i>Moderators: Gautam Biswas and Moussa Sacko</i>		
8:45 – 9:00	Presentation: <b>Is sufficient PZQ available to reach target?</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Preventative Chemotherapy predicting implementation gaps?</li> </ul>	Lynsey Blair
9:00 – 10:30	Presentation/s: <b>Access to treatment</b> <b>Open Discussion to include:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Adult treatments</li> <li>Treatment Accessibility</li> <li>PSAC treatment and Paediatric PZQ</li> <li>Health Systems strengthening – availability of treatment and diagnostics in health centres</li> <li>Compliance to MDA/treatment, what tools and strategies are available and how can they be cost-effectively implemented?</li> </ul>	Johannes Waltz, Mamoun Homeida, Sultani Hadley Matendechero, Victor Bucumi
10:30 – 10:45	<b>Tea and coffee Break</b>	
<b>Session 6. Interventions to sustain control and lead to elimination</b> <i>Objective: Based on proposed 2030 targets and Schistosomiasis Action plan determine workplan to achieve sustained control and elimination targets.</i> <i>Moderators: Steffi Knopp and Reda Ramzy</i>		
10:45 – 11:30	Presentation/s: <b>WASH &amp; NTD working together</b> <b>Open Discussion to include:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Sharing schistosomiasis endemicity data with the WASH sector</li> <li>Using the WASH toolkit how can schistosomiasis stakeholders engage and collaborate?</li> <li>What behaviour change tools work/could work for schistosomiasis?</li> </ul>	Sophie Boisson, Abraham Asmare, Dorin Turgeman

11:30 – 12:00	<b>Presentation: Environmental and snail control</b> <b>Open Discussion to include:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Snail control where is it feasible, what are the needs</li> <li>• Environmental management impact on schistosomiasis</li> </ul>	David Rollinson, Pauline Mwinzi
12:00 – 13:30	<b>Lunch Break</b>	
<b>Session 7. Moving towards interruption of transmission</b> <i>Objective: Inform participants of countries ready to transition to interruption of transmission and inform/determine what are/should be the processes for verification.</i> <i>Moderators: Pauline Mwinzi and David Rollinson</i>		
13:30 – 14:00	<b>Presentation/s: Interruption of Transmission</b> <b>Open Discussion to include:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Countries considering transition to interruption of transmission</li> <li>• What are the processes/insights into the process for verification of interruption of transmission? Sustaining interruption of transmission</li> <li>• Surveillance</li> </ul>	Amadou Garba Djirmay, Reda Ramzy, Steffi Knopp
<b>Session 8. Country ownership and resource needs</b> <i>Objective: Consult on the experiences and needs for fostering in-country capacity and domestic financing to achieve the post 2020 goals.</i> <i>Moderators: Maria Rebollo Polo and Sultani Hadley Matendechemo</i>		
14:00– 15:30	<b>Presentation/s: Building capacity, expert committees and domestic funding, business case development for funders</b> <b>Open Discussion to include:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Resource mobilization outside traditional donors</li> <li>• Country ownership and sustainability. What strategies and tools can we use/advocate for to foster country-ownership, sustainability and country-investment?</li> <li>• What strategies have been tried and tested and which were successful?</li> </ul>	Warren Lancaster, Darin Evans, Jean Bosco Mbonigaba/Eugene Ruberanziza, Nebiyu Negussu
15:30- 15:45	<b>Tea and Coffee Break</b>	
<b>Session 9 Synthesis, summary, and wrap-up</b> <i>Objective: Determine the next steps for implementing the schistosomiasis action plan to achieve the 2020-2030 targets</i>		

*Output: Synthesise the workplans for implementing the Schistosomiasis Action plan, the 'Working Document' and the proposed 2021-2030 targets into one document.*

*Moderator: Paul Hagan*

15:45 – 17:15	Final discussions, recommendations, and next steps	All
17:15 – 17:30	Close – GSA, BMGF, WHO, FMOH	

## Delegate List

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1	Abraham Ashley	World Vision International
2	Amadou Garba Djirmay	WHO/HQ
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5	Aya Yajima	WHO WPRO
6	Bihran Mengistu	Ethiopia MoH
7	Tsehaynesh Giday	CIFF
8	Darin Evans	USAID
9	Eugene Ruberanziza	Rwanda BioMed Centre/MoH
10	David Rollinson	GSA
11	Dorin Turgeman	NALA Foundation
12	Evan Secor	CDC, USA
13	Fikre Seife	Ethiopia MoH
14	Fiona Fleming	SCI
15	Gautam Biswas	WHO/HQ
16	Jaspreet Toor	NTD Modelling Consortium
17	Jean Bosco Mbonigaba	Rwanda BioMed Centre
18	Jeann Marie Marcelino	Brazil MoH
19	Jiagang Guo	WHO/HQ
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21	Jutta Reinhard-Rupp	Merck GHI
22	Kelli Jehle	BMGF
23	Louis Albert Tchuem Tchuente	Cameroon MoH/University Yaounde
24	Lynsey Blair	SCI
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30	Moussa Sacko	Mali MoH
31	Narcis Kabatereine	WHO advisor
32	Nebiyu Negussu	Ethiopia MoH

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34	Paul Hagan	Facilitator Robert Gordon University
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36	Penelope Vounatsou	SWISS TPH
37	Reda Ramzy	Egypt MoH
38	Robyn Tal	NALA Foundation
39	Simon Brooker	BMGF
40	Sophie Boisson	WHO WASH
41	Stefanie Knopp	SWISS TPH
42	Sultani Hadley Matendechemo	Kenya MoH
43	Susan D'Souza	Sightsavers
44	Victor Bucumi	Burundi MoH
45	Warren Lancaster	EndFund
46	Wendy Harrison	SCI
47	Yael Velleman	SCI
48	Yaobi Zhang	HKI