ASEM Workshop on Public Health Emergency Management
10-13 Sep 2014, Beijing, China

Concept Paper

Background
Currently, the frequently occurred public health emergencies have increasingly been an issue of concern. In an interdependent and interconnected world as ours, the public health incident in one country may well affect other countries rapidly, even cause crisis in large area. Public Health emergency management constitutes the essential part of the health service system for a country, but also an imperative that requires international cooperation to forge collective response.
The areas of pandemic and public health management were presented as tangible areas of cooperation at the 11th ASEM Foreign Ministers’ Meeting (FMM11). ASEF has identified public health as one of the focuses of its activities. China’s proposal to organize a workshop on Public Health Emergency Management was welcome and endorsed at FMM11 and further sponsored by ASEF. The Workshop will build on the efforts of ASEF Public Health Network and further expand its activity portfolio.

Content
The workshop will include expert lecturing, presentation, interactive discussion, desk exercises, case study, etc. Its topics will cover various aspects of public health emergency management, such as surveillance, risk assessment, response, post-event evaluation and improvement, and response to infectious diseases and natural disasters.

Participation
About 60 participants are expected to participate in the workshop including officials, experts and national representatives from ASEM members. Prominent experts will be invited as key speakers from World Health Organization (WHO), European Centre for Disease Prevention and Control (ECDC) and other specialists selected on professional basis. Please refer to agenda and experts profile for detailed information of key speakers and topics they will focus on.

Working language
English

**Format**
The workshop will include two and a half days meeting, and one half day field trip.

**Organizers**
The Workshop is organized by the Chinese Center for Disease Control and Prevention (China CDC) in partnership with Asia-Europe Foundation, and sponsored by National Health and Family Planning Commission of China (NHFPC) and Ministry of Foreign Affairs of China.

**Date and Place**
This workshop is to be held on 10-13 Sep 2014 in Beijing, China.
Venue: Beijing Friendship Hotel
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