

Health Emergencies Nexus – United against the unknown future crisis

Introduction:

Since preparedness for health emergencies is an imperative issue and involves various functions such as international organizations, regional political bodies, governments, health professions and individuals. Therefore, it is imperative to focus on what each actor can do from different role plays and establish the theme as Health Emergencies Nexus – United against the unknown future crisis. And it approaches this topic from 4 different angles, the global level, regional level, national level and academic and research level.

Globally, the World Health Organization (WHO) plays a leading role in health and has created the Intergovernmental Negotiating Body (INB) to respond to health emergency events. Therefore, it is imperative to look forward to INB's future work to improve health emergency preparedness.

At the regional level, in the initial stage of the COVID pandemic, Presidents from SICA have declared to unite and fight against COVID, where communication and coordination played critical roles in this fight against the COVID pandemic. Therefore, it is very illustrative to learn from the Executive Secretariat of the Council of Ministers of Health of Central America and the Dominican Republic (SE-COMISCA) the role that this institution had in relation to communication and coordination between the member states of SICA, and what could be improved for health emergency preparedness and the fight against emerging infectious diseases.

At the national level, policymakers from SICA Member States will share lessons from the past pandemic and what new measures are on the way for health emergency preparedness.

Finally, for the Academic and Research level, considering that knowledge is power. High-quality research evidence could point us in the right direction for health emergency preparedness.

Objective:

Facilitate a space for analysis, reflection and exchange of experiences on the actions that must be developed at the international, regional and national level in preparation for emergencies and health crises that may occur in the coming years.



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May 29th, 2024 | 18:00 – 19:00 (Geneve time)

Venue: Paris meeting room, InterContinental Genève 7-9 Chemin Du
Petit-Saconnex, 1209 Geneva, Switzerland

Time	Topic	Moderator / Speaker
18:00 – 18:04	Welcome and introduction	Moderator: Dr. Kung-Yee Liang Academia Sinica, Taiwan
18:04 – 18:10	Opening Remarks	1. Dr. Alejandra Acuña , Executive Secretary, SICA/SE-COMISCA 2. Dr. Amb. Charles C. Li , Secretary General, TaiwanICDF
18:10 – 18:25	Health Emergencies Program – What are the future works for the Intergovernmental Negotiating Body (INB) to improve preparation for health emergencies?	Speaker from academia recommended by WHO/PAHO (TBD)
18:25 – 18:35	Moving from the Declaration for Central America united against “COVID-19” to “emerging infectious disease (EID)” – Communications and coordination among SICA member states for health emergency preparedness.	Dr. Alejandra Acuña , Executive Secretary, SICA/SE-COMISCA
18:35 – 18:50	Moving forward and preparing for the unseen battle - Lessons from the past and new measures on the way.	Dr. Kevin Bernard , Minister of Health and Wellness of Belize. Dr. Oscar Arnoldo Cordon , Minister of Public Health and Social Assistance of Guatemala.

Time	Topic	Moderator / Speaker
18:50 – 19:05	Keys to victory – Research evidence that leads the forecasting and prevention of EIDs.	Dr. Hung-Yi Chiou Distinguished Investigator and Director, Institute of Population Health Sciences, National Health Research Institutes, R.O.C (Taiwan)
19:05 – 19:20	Q & A	Moderator & Panels

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