

Prince Mahidol Award Conference Side-Meeting Proposal

Meeting Title:

Learning from practice: HTA capacity development across Asia

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Date/time/Duration:

January 26, 2015/ 09:00 – 14:30/ 5.5 hours

Session overview:

Since Universal Health Coverage (UHC) is high on the global health agenda, governments of many low- and middle-income countries (LMICs) have pledged to increase health investments in order to offer universal access to essential health services. Health technology assessment (HTA) has been recognized as a necessary tool for setting priorities, but only a few LMICs have accomplished the establishment of HTA systems so far. Asia-Pacific is a region where HTA institutions and networks have been operating successfully in some settings; however, many of the LMICs in the region have HTA systems that are still in very early development.

Decision makers and scholars in LMICs in different parts of the world are increasingly interested to learn about and build upon the successful HTA systems of the Asia-Pacific region and elsewhere. In particular, there is a need for increased understanding of factors that are conducive to the development and sustainability of HTA systems, which is not currently well documented in literature. As such, the Asia-Pacific Observatory on Health Systems and Policies¹ has initiated collaboration between Asia-Pacific HTA organizations, including China, Korea, Malaysia, Taiwan, and Thailand, to develop a policy brief on Conducive Factors to HTA Development in Asia.

This panel session will bring together practitioners from HTA organizations in Asia-Pacific collaborating on the policy brief to share the experiences of supportive policies and operational practices that are conducive to the introduction and maturation of HTA in these settings. Topics that will be addressed include the development of individual stakeholders and its linkage to development of institutional capacity as well as policy, the development of networking capacity and the link with policy decision-making, and the key enabling factors for the integration of HTA in the health systems. Researchers from respective institutes in India, Indonesia, the Philippines and Vietnam are also invited to share country's experiences on the recent efforts for HTA introduction in these settings. The findings from the discussions of this side meeting will be used to produce a practical guide (chapter on recommendations) for the policy brief.

Target audience:

50 participants, including HTAsiaLink network members, iDSI partners, and others involved in HTA capacity development in LMICs

Room set up (Classroom, Theatre, etc.) and additional requirements (if any):

Classroom style for panel discussion with LCD projector and front screen projection

¹The APO, hosted by the World Health Organization, is a unique partnership of governments, development agencies, and research communities that support evidence-based health policymaking in the Asia Pacific region. It is very active in the areas of country policy development and producing regional public goods.

Meeting Agenda:

Chaired by: Dr. Dale Huntington and Dr. Kalipso Chalkidou

9:00 – 9:10	Introduction to the side meeting session <i>Speaker: Dr. Dale Huntington</i>
9:10 – 9:20	HTA development in China <i>Speaker: Dr. Zhao Kun</i>
9:20 – 9:30	HTA development in Indonesia <i>Speaker: Ms Uly Adhie Mulyani</i>
9:30 – 9:40	HTA development in Korea <i>Speaker: Dr. Jeonghoon Ahn</i>
9:40 – 9:50	HTA development in Malaysia <i>Speaker: Dr. Asrul Akmal Shafie</i>
9:50 – 10:00	HTA development in the Philippines <i>Speaker: Dr. Melissa Guerrero</i>
10:00 – 10:10	HTA development in Taiwan <i>Speaker: Dr. Jasmine Pwu</i>
10:10 – 10:20	Coffee Break
10:20 – 10:30	HTA development in Thailand <i>Speaker: HITAP TBC</i>
10:30 – 10:40	HTA development in Vietnam <i>Speaker: Dr. Phuong Khanh Nguyen</i>
10:40 – 10:50	National Health Assurance Mission: A vision for quality, equity and affordability <i>Speaker: Mr Manoj Jhalani</i>
10:50 – 11:10	Universal Health Coverage policy: Enabling Factor or Challenge of HTA development in Asia? <i>Speaker: HITAP</i> <i>Discussants: Indonesia, Malaysia</i>
11:10 – 11:30	The roles of domestic stakeholders and international partners in capacity development for HTA in Asian MICs <i>Speaker: HITAP</i> <i>Discussants: China, The Philippines, Vietnam</i>

11:30 – 11:50	Strategies to enhance HTA-informed policy decisions and impact in Asian settings <i>Speaker: HITAP</i> <i>Discussants: Korea, Taiwan</i>
11:50 – 13:20	Lunch
13:20 – 13:40	Open Discussion: Enabling Factors and Challenges of HTA development in Asia <i>Lead Discussant: Ms. Natalie Phaholyothin</i>
13:40 – 14:00	Open Discussion – Transferring Asian experiences of HTA development to LMICs in other regions <i>Lead Discussant: Dr. Damian Walker</i>
14:00 – 14:20	Discussion – Practical guide for LMICs: value added and practical plans for collaboration <i>Lead Discussant: Mr. Robert Marten</i>
14:20 – 14:30	Conclusion <i>Speaker: Dr. Kalipso Chalkidou</i>