



**Side Meeting at the 6th Global Health Security Agenda Ministerial Meeting  
Hosted by the GHSA Consortium for the GHSA Task Force on Advocacy & Communications**

**Wednesday, 4 November  
19:00 - 21:00 ICT (Thailand)  
0700 – 0900 EDT (New York)**



The Global Health Security Agenda (GHSA) 2024 Framework emphasizes the importance of engaging all relevant sectors to achieve sustainable and measurable results toward common targets for global health security. Changing conditions at local and global scales - related to deforestation and habitat loss, wildlife trade, and changing food systems and agricultural intensification with inadequate biosecurity - are shaping novel and increased interactions between species that facilitate opportunities for the spillover of disease. The consequences are striking: more than 70% of emerging zoonotic diseases have origins in wildlife, and climate-sensitive vector-borne diseases are appearing in new regions, together causing extensive health and economic impact. The same drivers, combined with the misuse and overuse of antibiotics, have accelerated the emergence of antimicrobial resistance (AMR) among interconnected microbiomes in humans, animals, and the environment, which can be spread across borders through trade, travel, and other movement of people and animals. Understanding the links between the environment and health risks and outcomes is critical to enhancing surveillance and detection, develop early warning systems, and target multisectoral risk reduction strategies to address known and novel threats. This side event will highlight promising practices for meaningfully expanding partnerships across human, animal, agriculture, and environmental sectors to improve health outcomes and local, national, and global health security. Please register on the GHSA Ministerial website. Once registered, the event will be broadcast from: <https://www.ghsamm2020.com/streams/245>

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**Moving Toward Best Practices in Multisectoral Coordination: Integrating Environment and Health to Strengthen Capacities to Prevent, Detect and Respond**  
**AGENDA**

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**0700 EDT Identifying good, better, and best practices – welcome and overview of event**

Dr. Julie Fischer, Chair, GHSA Consortium

**0705 EDT Wildlife and environment: Connections to health security**

- William B. Karesh, DVM, Executive Vice President for Health and Policy, EcoHealth Alliance and President, OIE Working Group on Wildlife
- Richard Suu-Ire, MSc PhD, Senior Lecturer and Specialist for Wildlife Health, University of Ghana School of Veterinary Medicine

**0735 EDT Fostering multisectoral coordination in countries to effectively contain antimicrobial resistance**

- Mohan P. Joshi, MBBS, MSc, MD, Senior Principal Technical Advisor – Pharmaceutical Services and Technical Lead for GHSA/AMR Activities, USAID Medicines, Technologies, and Pharmaceutical Services (MTaPS) Program, Management Sciences for Health (MSH)
- Mireille Dosso, Professor of Microbiology at the Medical Sciences Training and Research Unit at Felix Houphouet-Boigny University and Director of the Institut Pasteur de Côte d'Ivoire, Chair of the Côte d'Ivoire AMR Multisectoral Coordination Committee
- Nathalie Guessennd, PhD, Head of the National Reference Center for Antibiotics, Institut Pasteur de Côte d'Ivoire, Côte d'Ivoire Focal Point for Antimicrobial Resistance

**0805 EDT Communicating across sectors: Early warning systems and preparedness**

- Carlos Gonçalo das Neves, PhD DVM, Director for Research and Internationalisation, Norwegian Veterinary Institute and President, Wildlife Disease Association
- Chadia Wannous, PhD, Coordinator, Towards a Safer World Network; IUCN Commission on Ecosystem Management; Future Earth Health Knowledge Action Network

**0830 EDT Sustaining engagement with environment sector partners: Systems, processes, capacity and resources**

- Daniel Mira-Salama, PhD, Senior Environmental Specialist, World Bank
- Jessica Bell, MS, Senior Program Officer, Nuclear Threat Initiative (NTI)

**0855 EDT Closing remarks**

Catherine Machalaba, MPH PhD, Policy Advisor and Research Scientist, EcoHealth Alliance; Program Officer, IUCN Wildlife Health Specialist Group; GHSA Task Force for Advocacy and Communications

**Objectives**

- Share good practices and lessons learned in engaging human and animal health and environment sector partners in capacity-building for health security.
- Increase awareness about the links between environment and health security, with a lens on zoonotic and vector-borne diseases and AMR.
- Identify entry points for wildlife/environment sector involvement to support epidemic prevention and preparedness, as well as current implementation gaps.
- Identify promising practices in forging multisectoral engagement and coordination for addressing AMR.
- Encourage country and partner commitments to optimize engagement across sectors and the use of existing resources to reduce wildlife and environment-associated threats.
- Highlight multilateral, multi-disciplinary initiatives, and communications approaches through GHSA to improve the sharing of good, better, and best practices to strengthen and support multisectoral engagement and commitment to health security.