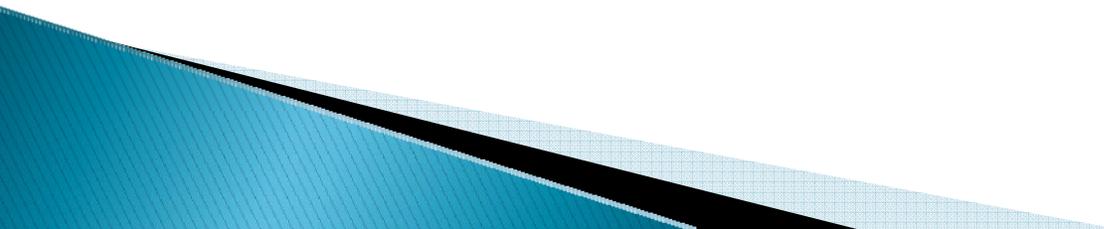


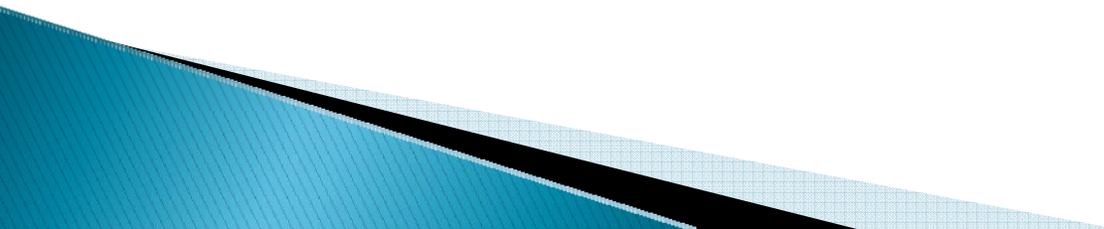
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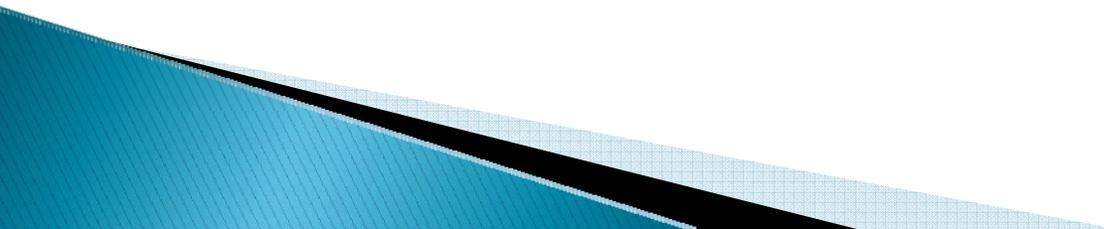
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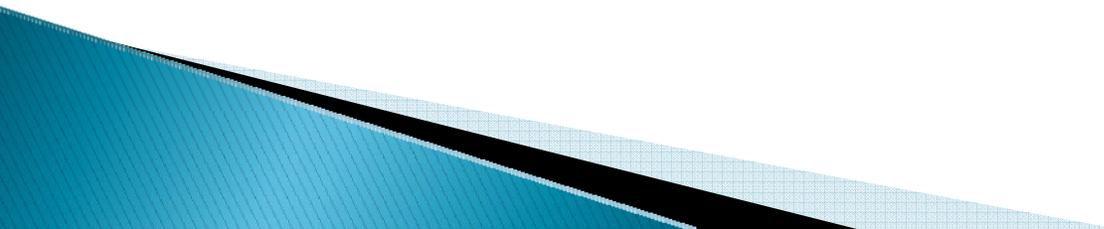
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- ▶ The policy–shaping processes through which States, intergovernmental organizations, and non–State actors negotiate responses to health challenges
  - ▶ or utilize health concepts or mechanisms in policy–shaping and negotiation strategies to achieve other political, economic, or social objectives.
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# Functions of GHD.NET

- ▶ (1) act as a clearinghouse for GHD-related information;
  - ▶ (2) enhance connectivity among network participants;
  - ▶ (3) develop content for research, training and education; and
  - ▶ (4) build capacity, especially in partnership with interested institutions and individuals in low-income countries.
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# Background

- ▶ WHO with the Rockefeller Foundation explored the emerging field of global health diplomacy.
  - ▶ Health is taking a greater importance in foreign policy but there are **major capacity gaps to be addressed**
  - ▶ 2009: 3 Bellagio Global Health Diplomacy Dialogues
  - ▶ Participants agreed that such a network could contribute to a better analytical understanding of GHD and to improving how policy processes and diplomatic negotiations reflect and affect health concerns.
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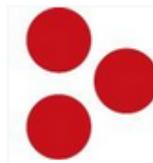
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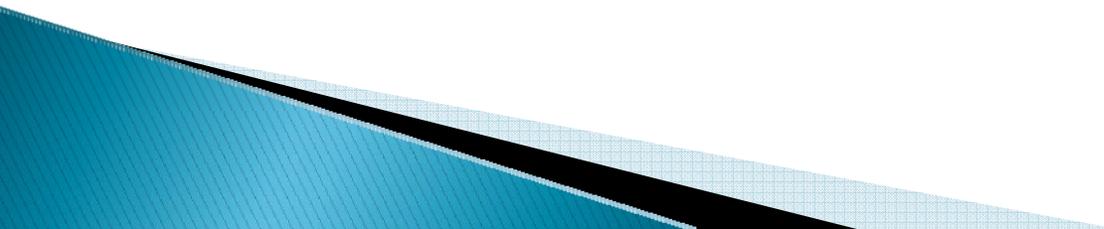


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- ▶ Textbook for executive training
  - ▶ Online training
  - ▶ Face to face training program
  - ▶ Research program on health diplomacy in Asia
  - ▶ Policy briefs
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To support the goals of the Network, the GHD.NET website aims to facilitate access to research, policy analysis, official documents and news about global health negotiations. It seeks to be a portal for policymakers, negotiators, policy analysts, and researchers involved in the design, negotiations, and implementation of collective responses to global health challenges. It also functions as a repository of documents and capacity building tools developed by members of the Network.

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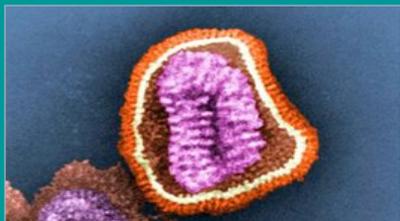


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These on-going negotiations among WHO Member states began in 2007 when the World Health Assembly adopted a resolution to review the existing system for sharing influenza samples. Over the past five decades, the World Health Organization (WHO) Global Influenza Surveillance Network has grown into a system of over 100 National Influenza...

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Although great progress has been made in achieving health-related targets, some targets are likely to be missed unless more action is taken urgently. To assess the progress made thus far and bolster international community's commitment to meeting their agreed targets, the United Nations hosted a High-Level Meeting in September 2010, during the General Assembly, along with various related side-events. The Summit outcome document, *Keeping the Promise – United to Achieve the Millennium Development Goals*, includes a 19-point action plan outlining measures that can be taken to accelerate progress towards achievement of targets.

In particular, the summit resulted in various action plans and commitments for health-related MDGs. New funds were pledged for the Global Fund for HIV/AIDS, TB and Malaria. Moreover, a new *Strategy for Women's and Children's Health* was announced by the UN Secretary-General, Ban Ki-moon. This strategy, which has the potential to become a turning point for MDGs, puts the health sector as a cross-cutting theme to which all the MDGs must contribute. The meeting concluded with a general consensus that the momentum from the success of this meeting should be used to engage in broad consultations, especially with regional organizations, to achieve the targets by 2015.

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### Outcome Document

Document outlining the high-level preliminary meeting on the Millennium Development goals on September 2010 in New York.

17 September 2010

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### UN Secretary General Document

Strategy presented at the UN General Assembly on the MDGs in September 2010

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### Global Workshop on Achieving the Millennium Development Goals in a Context of Crisis

In Accra, Ghana, on 19-20 July 2010, UNDP brought together representatives of 12 crisis-affected countries, including the G7+, to reflect on "Achieving the Millennium Development Goals in a Context of Crisis," and to articulate priorities for accelerating progress toward the MDGs. The 12 participating countries were Burundi, Central African Republic, Chad, Democratic Republic of Congo, Ethiopia, Guinea-Bissau, Liberia, Nepal, Papua New Guinea, Somalia, Sudan and Timor-Leste.

19-20 July 2010

To read the Global Workshop document click [here](#).

### G8 Muskoka Declaration: Recovery and New Beginnings

G8 declarations including health security, maternal health, and reducing child mortality.

25-26 June 2010

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### Global Fund's role as a strategic investor in the Millennium Development Goals 4 and 5

This report of the Policy and Strategy Committee describes the Global Fund's contribution to achieving Millennium Development Goals 4 and 5 in order to facilitate a discussion by the Board on the Global Fund's role in improving maternal and child health.

29-30 April 2010

To read the Policy and Strategy Committee's report on the Global Fund's contribution to MDGs 4 and 5 click [here](#).

### Resolution 55/2 adopted by the General Assembly

The United Nations adopts the Millennium Declaration which includes the Millennium Development Goals.

16 September 2000

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**Illicit Trade in Tobacco**

The Intergovernmental Negotiating Board has met four times since February 2008 to discuss the modalities of this Protocol. The parties discussed the need for a comprehensive set of provisions to secure the supply chain of tobacco products regarding, inter alia: licensing, anti-money laundering provisions, tracking and tracing, record-keeping, additional security and preventive measures, enhanced... [READ MORE](#)

**H1N1 and IHR Review**

The WHO has established an independent review committee, headed by Dr. Harvey Fineberg, to assess the functioning of the International Health Regulation (IHR) in relation to the 2009 H1N1 pandemic and review the role of the WHO's Secretariat in support the pandemic preparedness alert and response. The IHR require all countries to report certain disease outbreaks and public health events to WHO.... [READ MORE](#)

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Harley Feldbaum\*, Joshua Michaud  
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