

Statement by Medicus Mundi International to the 133rd session of the Executive Board on agenda item 6.4 Evaluation of the global strategy and plan of action on public health, innovation and intellectual property: report by the Secretariat delivered by David Legge

Chair, thank you for the opportunity of reading this statement on behalf of MMI, TWN and the PHM.

We welcome the move to evaluate the implementation of the GSPOA on public health, innovation and intellectual property.

However, the proposal for the evaluation plan lacks clear terms of reference (ToR). It is important to identify the achievements, gaps and challenges in the implementation of the GSPOA. Accordingly, a general evaluation of the implementation as mentioned in Paragraphs 7, 8 & 9 is not sufficient.

While the evaluation can give a general overview of the implementation of GSPOA by various stakeholders, the focus of the evaluation should be the implementation of GSPOA by the WHO at national, regional and global level. Only such an evaluation can inform the Member States of the gaps and challenges in the implementation and strengthen the implementation in the coming years.

Towards this end the evaluation should look at the following things:

- The resource allocation since 2008 -2013 at the three levels of WHO
- The source of financing including the percentage of resource allocation form regular and extra budgetary sources
- The human resources allocation for the implementation of GSPOA at the three levels of WHO
- The number and quality of outputs from the Secretariat and assessment of various materials produced by the Secretariat for the implementation of GSPOA

The best way to achieve that, is ensuring the wide participation of the stakeholders to provide inputs through a web based consultation.

Finally the proposed mode of selection of the evaluator takes an unncessarily broad sweep. The job can be done efficiently and effectively through a panel of experts in the area instead of a international consultancy firm.

Thank you!