The Global Leaders Group on Antimicrobial Resistance

**WHO ARE WE?**

The Global Leaders Group (GLG) on Antimicrobial Resistance was established following the recommendation of the ad hoc Interagency Coordination Group (IACG) on Antimicrobial Resistance (AMR) to strengthen global political momentum and leadership on AMR.

The GLG is composed of heads of state, serving or former ministers and/or senior government officials acting in their individual capacities, together with senior representatives of foundations, civil society organizations and the private sector. It also includes principals of the Quadripartite organizations - the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO), the UN Environment Programme (UNEP) the World Health Organization (WHO) and the World Organisation for Animal Health (WOAH)- in an ex-officio capacity.

The GLG is co-chaired by Their Excellencies Sheikh Hasina, Prime Minister of Bangladesh and Mia Amor Mottley, Prime Minister of Barbados.

**WHAT DO WE DO?**

The GLG performs an independent global advisory and advocacy role with the primary objective of maintaining urgency, public support, political momentum and visibility of the AMR challenge on the global agenda.

The mission of the GLG is to collaborate globally with governments, agencies, civil society and the private sector through a One Health approach* to advise on and advocate for prioritized political actions for the mitigation of drug resistant infections through responsible and sustainable access to and use of antimicrobials.

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“The Global Leaders Group is about catalysing political action to address the enormous challenges of AMR and seize the opportunities it presents to create a healthier, safer, more prosperous and equitable world. As GLG members we will use our voices in as many ways as we can to help ensure that action on AMR is among the highest priorities across national and global efforts to reach the Sustainable Development Goals”.

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*One Health is an integrated, unifying approach that aims to sustainably balance and optimize the health of people, animals and ecosystems. It recognizes the health of humans, domestic and wild animals, plants, and the wider environment (including ecosystems) are closely linked and interdependent. The approach mobilizes multiple sectors, disciplines and communities at varying levels of society to work together to foster well-being and tackle threats to health and ecosystems, while addressing the collective need for clean water, energy and air, safe and nutritious food, taking action on climate change, and contributing to sustainable development. (Ref: OHHLEP, 2021)*
Through its work the GLG aims to contribute to:

- Improved surveillance and monitoring of antimicrobial use and resistance across all sectors to inform ambitious, science- and risk-based, global and national targets and interventions to address gaps in the response to AMR;

- Increased mobilization of internal and external financial resources, with a focus on low- and middle-income countries, to support the development and implementation of ambitious, multisectoral national action plans in all countries;

- Increased, effective and affordable innovations across all sectors and stakeholders to secure a sustainable pipeline for new antimicrobials (particularly antibiotics), vaccines, diagnostics, waste management tools and safe and effective alternatives to antimicrobials, and to ensure equitable access to them; and

- Better understanding of environmental pathways to the development and transmission of antimicrobial resistance.

The GLG will work with all stakeholders and sectors in the global response to AMR and undertake a range of activities including:

- Mapping the status of key issues and developing advocacy statements;

- Advocating around and/or engaging in key global and regional fora such as the G7, G20, regional, political, and economic blocs and relevant high-level meetings on health and development;

- Advocating for a High-level Meeting on AMR at the UN General Assembly in 2024 or 2026;

- Advocating for inclusion of AMR in any global pandemic treaty;

- Engaging with the Quadripartite and supporting their mandates;

- Supporting the establishment of the Independent Panel on Evidence for Action on AMR and the Partnership Platform on AMR;

- Advocating for the development of global and national targets for responsible and sustainable antimicrobial access and use across the human health, animal health, food, plant and environmental eco-systems.

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