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1 Jan – May 31 PROGRESS REPORT 2007

**NDPHS¹ Expert Group
“Social Inclusion, Healthy Lifestyles & Work Ability”**

SIHLWA

¹ Northern Dimension Partnership in Public Health and Social Wellbeing

SIHLWA² Progress Report January – May 2007

SIHLWA EG has agreed to use the following terminology (in process of being edited prepared in all NDP languages)

English:

NDPHS: NORTHERN DIMENSION PARTNERSHIP IN HEALTH AND SOCIAL WELLBEING

SIHLWA: Expert Group on Social Inclusion, Healthy Lifestyles and Work Ability

Russian

NDPHS: ПАРТНЁРСТВО СЕВЕРНОГО ИЗМЕРЕНИЯ В СФЕРЕ ОБЩЕСТВЕННОГО ЗДОРОВЬЯ И СОЦИАЛЬНОГО БЛАГОСОСТОЯНИЯ

[PARTNERSTVO SEVERNOGO IZMERENIYA V SFERE OBSHESTVENNOGO ZDAROVYA I SOTSIALNOGO BLAGOSOSTOYANIYA]

SIHLWA: Экспертная группа социальной включенности, здоровый образ жизни и трудоспособности

[Ekspertnaya Gruppya Sotsialnoi Vkluchennosti, Zdorovyi Obraz Zhizni i Trudosposobnosti]

Danish: [not yet formulated]

NDPHS:

SIHLWA:

Estonian: [not yet formulated]

NDPHS:

SIHLWA:

Finnish:

NDPHS: POHJOISEN ULOTTUVUUDEN SOSIAALI- JA TERVEYSALAN KUMPPANUUS

SIHLWA: Asiantuntijaryhmä sosiaalinen osallisuus, terveet elintavat ja työkyky

French: [not yet formulated]

NDPHS:

SIHLWA:

German:

NDPHS: PARTNERSCHAFT DER NÖRDLICHEN DIMENSION FÜR GESUNDHEIT UND SOZIALES WOHLBEFINDEN (PNDGSW)

SIHLWA: Sachverständigergruppe für soziale Eingliederung, gesunde Lebensführung und Arbeitsfähigkeit

Icelandic: [not yet formulated]

NDPHS:

SIHLWA:

Latvian: [not yet formulated]

NDPHS:

² SIHLWA = Expert Group on **S**ocial **I**nclusion, **H**ealthy **L**ifestyles & **W**ork **A**bility

SIHLWA:

Lithuanian: [not yet formulated]

NDPHS:

SIHLWA:

Norwegian: [not yet formulated]

NDPHS:

SIHLWA:

Polish:

NDPHS: PARTNERSTWO PÓŁNOCNEGO WYMIARU W ZAKRESIE ZDROWIA
PUBLICZNEGO I SPRAW SPOŁECZNYCH

SIHLWA: [not yet formulated]

Swedish:

NDPHS: PARTNERSKAPET OM HÄLSA OCH SOCIALT VÄLBEFINNANDE INOM
NORDLIGA DIMENSIONEN.

SIHLWA: Expertgrupp på social delaktighet, hälsosam livsstil och arbetsförmåga

1. SIHLWA leadership and coordination

1.1 SIHLWA Lead Partner(s) and Co-Lead Partner(s)

<p>SIHLWA's "Lead Partner": Ministry of Social Affairs & Health/Finland Focal point: Ms Seija Saana, Ministerial Adviser E-mail: seija.saana@stm.fi Phone: +358 9 160 73168; Fax: +358 9 160 73296 P.O. Box 33 , FI-00023 Government, FINLAND</p>	<p>SIHLWA's "Co-Lead Partner": Ministry of Health/ Lithuania Focal point: Ms Virginija Ambrazevičiene Chief Officer of Foreign Affairs Division Ministry of Health Vilnius 33, LT-01506 Vilnius, LITHUANIA Phone: +370 526 047 19, Fax: +370 526 614 02 E-mail: virginija.ambrazeviciene@sam.lt</p>
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1.2 SIHLWA technical management support

SIHLWA Expert Group due to its structure of 3 sub-groups has decided to have a **Coordinating Chairman** for the whole group . This position was held since the beginning of SIHLWA's existence by:

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SIHLWA has so far never had an International Technical Adviser (ITA)

The *EG SIHLWA* consists of 3 sub-groups:

- Subgroup on alcohol
- Subgroup on adolescent health and socially-rewarding lifestyles
- Subgroup on Occupational Safety & Health

Each sub-group have their own functionaries

1) Subgroup on alcohol³

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2) Subgroup on adolescent health and socially-rewarding lifestyles

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3) Subgroup on occupational safety and health⁵

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1.3 Financial resources for leadership

³ for alcohol sub-group the Chair in principle is expected to be identified from WHO-EURO cosponsoring the subgroup. Temporarily since January 2007 the group has been chaired by Mr Kari Paaso (former technical adviser on alcohol for WHO-EURO). When EURO has been able to select a successor for Mr Paaso, the chairmanship is expected to return to WHO and Mr Paaso will continue as partner country nominee in the group

⁴ N.B. Mikko Vienonen has a double role in SIHLWA: In addition to acting as Coordinating Chair for the whole SIHLWA EG, he also has been selected as Chair of the ADO sub-group.

⁵ for OSH sub-group the Chair in principle is expected to be identified from ILO cosponsoring the sub-group.

Funding for SIHLWA half time coordinating chair (consultative basis) is provided by the MoSA&H/ Finland. Additionally, travel of SIHLWA functionaries to necessary administrative meetings (e.g CSR, Chairs and ITAs meetings, etc.) are covered by the Lead Partner. Also participants to SIHLWA expert group meetings are to some extent covered by the MoSA&H/ Finland budget allocation to SIHLWA, such as Finnish national experts participation, and expenses of certain key-note speakers and some Russian participants.

Presently, SIHLWA leadership functions have been allocated directly from MoSA&H budget, and the Coordinating Chair has not been a “fund holder” of this allocation. It needs to be discussed in CSR as to how detailed the Lead Partners are willing to report on their budget and its implementation.

2. Partner participation in Expert Group activities

2.1 Participation of Partners in SIHLWA meetings its Sub-group(s)

Partners are invited to nominate participants to the biannual SIHLWA meetings, always without exception bringing together all three subgroups. It would be very important to have all Partner countries and relevant organizations do this nomination. So far no country has officially indicated that they would not be interested to participate, so we keep sending information and invitations to all.

In the attached table one can see the present situation after 3 SIHLWA meetings, aiming to illustrate how different partner countries and organizations having sent their representatives to previous SIHLWA meetings (1st Stockholm, 2nd Helsinki, 3rd Vilnius)

KEY TO TABLE

a = Alcohol sub-group was represented

b = Adolescent health sub-group was represented

c = OSH sub-group was represented

Countries & Organizations*	1 st Stockholm	2 nd Helsinki.	3 rd Vilnius
CANADA	a,b	-	-
DENMARK	-	-	-
ESTONIA	a	a	a,b
FINLAND	a,b,c	a,b,c	a,b,c
FRANCE	-	-	-
GERMANY	-	-	-
ICELAND	-	-	-
LATVIA	a	b	a,b
LITHUANIA	-	a,b,c	a,b,c
NORWAY	a	a	a
POLAND	b	-	b,c
RUSSIAN FED.	a	a,b,c	b
SWEDEN	a,c	a,b	a,b
BEAC	-	-	-
EUC	b	-	-
CBSS	-	-	b
ILO/Russia	c	c	c
IOM	-	-	-
NCM	-	b	b
WHO/EURO	a,b	a	a

Each partner was invited to send at least one participant to every sub-group.

Therefore, ideally the table should after the 4th SIHLWA meeting look like:

Countries & Organizations*	4 th SIHLWA mtg Helsinki 29-30 May	5 th SIHLWA mtg Place?	6 th SIHLWA mtg Place?
COUNTRY A	a,b,c	a,b,c	a,b,c
COUNTRY B	a,b,c	a,b,c	a,b,c
COUNTRY C	a,b,c	a,b,c	a,b,c
ETC.	a,b,c	a,b,c	a,b,c

[N.B.: for specialized organizations it may be logical to be selective regarding sub-group participation, although some reasons would also support flexible participation to all SIHLWA sub-groups, as well.]

2.2. Participation of Partners in EG project-based activities

- **In implementation:** ILO, Russian Federation and Finland: Occupational safety and health project in N-W Russian Federation (Leningrad Oblast & Republic of Karelia). 1st phase 2005 – 2007 and 2nd phase starting in 2007 – 2008.
- **In the process of starting:** NCM, Russian Federation (St. Petersburg), Finland and Sweden: Alcohol and drug prevention among youth 2007- 2008;
- **In planning:** Hazardous & harmful use of alcohol: **Early Identification and Brief Intervention “EIBI”**. Possible regions/countries for implementation: St. Petersburg City (will be agreed upon with the St. Petersburg City Health Committee). Other potential candidates: Leningrad Obl., Republic of Karelia, Murmansk, Cherepovets city /Vologda Obl., Arkhangelsk, Republic of Komi, Nenets Autonomic Area. Potential funders (tentative): Finland, Norway, EC, others?

3. Actions taken to implement the Expert Group’s annual Work Plan

- January: Coordinating Chair mission to St. Petersburg to discuss the launching of project on alcohol and drug prevention among youth together with SPb Public Health Committee and local NGOs.
- January: Coordinating Chair mission to Vologda Oblast (Cherepovets) in North-West Russia to participate in a regional healthy lifestyles conference representing NDPHS/SIHLWA and conducting a workshop for health and social sector administrators on Hazardous & harmful use of alcohol: **Early Identification and Brief Intervention**.
- SIHLWA cosponsored and provided technical support to the implementation of CBSS International Conference ”Reducing Alcohol Problems in the Baltic Sea Region: Effective Approaches to Tackle Alcohol Related Problems in Local Communities”, Riga, Latvia, 12 – 13 March 2007
- February: Finalization of the report of 3rd SIHLWA EG meeting in Vilnius 30 Nov.-1 Dec. 2006
- February: Coordinating Chair and SIHLWA sub-group Chairs participation in the 4th Chairs’ & ITAs’ meeting in Vilnius;
- February – May: Start of preparation for the NCM/ Finnish chairmanship conference on promotion of healthy lifestyles and prevention of non-communicable diseases in St. Petersburg 11-12 December 2007 in St. Petersburg. The role of SIHLWA is advisory and technically supporting;
- April: SIHLWA Coordinating chair attended in Vologda/ N-W Russia a federal conference 4-5 April on NCD prevention strategies and briefed about the activities of SIHLWA. The methodology on measuring the impact of NCD prevention by the “potential years of lifelost” (PYLL) methodology.
- April: In connection with the mission to Vologda, in the capacity of SIHLWA ADO sub-group chair, Mikko Vienonen conducted extensive discussions on the start-up of project on NCM funded “Alcohol & Drug Prevention among youth in SPb” 2-3 and 6 April.
- April: Preparation for the EUPHA (European Public Health Association) Annual Conference in October in Helsinki, where SIHLWA together with HIV/AIDS EG plan to organize a workshop on NDPHS and issues relevant to their area of work;
- April – May: SIHLWA OSH subgroup has provided on request preliminary ideas for the organizers of upcoming PAC in November 2007. One option would be that occupational safety and health could be one of the main themes should the CSR so decide.
- May: 4th SIHLWA EG meeting in Helsinki 29-30 May.

4. Other activities

- SIHLWA coordinating Chair Mikko Vienonen, attended the 11th CSR meeting in Warsaw 27-28 March. He also attended the meeting of the NDPHS data-base project on 27 March prior to the CSR meeting.
- SIHLWA coordinating Chair Mikko Vienonen, attended the meeting on “Renewed Northern Dimension” held in Madrid 21-22/March as invited expert of the NDPHS/SIHLWA expert group, as a member of the delegation of the Finnish MoFA lead by Mr. Markus Lyra, Under-secretary of State and Ms. Maimo Henrikson, Director, Unit of Northern Dimension. From NDPHS secretariat Mr. Marek Masciejowski also attended. [N.B.: this event was to provide information on NDP in general (not only on public health and social well-being) and the SIHLWA coordinating chair was asked to attend in expert capacity for NCD prevention and what SIHLWA is doing].

[NOTE: this report is not complete. Additional information of ALC and OSH sub-groups need updating]

ANNEX:

Adopted elements for NDPHS EG annual progress reports as approved by CSR-11 in Warsaw 27-28/3/07

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Reporting elements for the NDPHS Expert Groups' progress reports to autumn CSR meetings

Background

Monitoring of and reporting on the progress in the implementation of the NDPHS Expert Group annual work plans is an important CSR's duty. Regular assessments are to provide timely, targeted, relevant and reliable information that is indispensable for the NDPHS decision-making process. This should also help to increase coherence between Expert Groups by identifying, and subsequently assessing, the links between them. Furthermore, it also enables providing complete and up-to-date information during various events as well as to various stakeholders outside the NDPHS.

As provided for in the NDPHS Expert Groups' Terms of Reference, "Expert Group, supported by the Chair and the ITA, will prepare an annual Progress Report and a proposed Activity Plan for the following year, both to be submitted to the autumn CSR meeting." Progress reports from the Expert Groups should (i) take stock of progress, (ii) describe enabling factors and strengths, as well as obstacles and constraints in their work and the way how to address them, (iii) present proposals for resolution by the CSR and/or PAC.

Based on the reports submitted by the NDPHS Expert Groups, the Secretariat shall prepare an overall NDPHS Progress Report for a given year for presentation to the autumn CSR meeting. This report will (i) summarize progress made by the NDPHS Expert Groups, (ii) identify cross-expert group questions of importance (horizontal issues that need to be addressed by the CSR), (iii) analyze obstacles and constraints in moving the whole process forward, and, finally, (iv) present proposals for resolution by the CSR.

Consistent with the above, and to ensure coherent and consistent reporting, each Expert Group is requested to submit to the NDPHS Secretariat in due time before Autumn CSR meeting (preferably one month before it) a progress report that will be prepared according to the following reporting elements. The Expert Groups' progress reports, and the overall progress report to be developed by the Secretariat, will be submitted to the autumn CSR meeting, as appropriate.

Reporting elements

Progress reports from the Expert Groups should be developed in accordance with the following reporting elements:

1. Conclusions and recommendations

Please present lessons learnt and overall conclusions (other than those in the items above) regarding the activities of the Expert Group during the reported year, which you would like to bring to the attention of the NDPHS CSR as well as of the Secretariat when it is preparing an overall (annual) progress report based on all the EGs' progress reports.

Based on the conclusions and lessons learnt, please develop Expert Group's recommendations for the future. Please propose steps and actions to address the obstacles and constrains in the Expert Group's work.

2. Expert Group leadership and coordination

2.1 Lead Partner(s) and Co-Lead Partner(s)

Please list the Lead and Co-Lead Partners of the EG and each of its Sub-groups (if any). If the EG or its Sub-group(s) plan to change the Lead or Co-Lead Partner, please inform of this as well as of who will take over and when the change will take place.

2.2 International Technical Advisor / Coordinator(s) / Task Manager(s)

Please list the ITAs / Coordinator(s) / Task Manager(s) working for the EG and inform if their services are guaranteed also in the future.

2.3 Financial resources for leadership

Please inform if the Lead Partner(s) and Co-lead Partner(s) have ample funding in place for the leadership at present and in the future. This includes funding for managing/leading the EG and employment of persons listed in 1.2 above.

3. Partner participation in Expert Group activities

3.1 Participation of Partners in meetings of the Expert Group and its Sub-group(s) (if any)

Please list the Partners who have nominated their representative to the EG and inform if they take part in meetings of the Expert Group and its Sub-group(s) (if any). If there are Partners, who do not take part in meetings at present, but whose participation is specifically desired considering the scope and character of the EG's meetings, please name them.

3.2. Participation of Partners in EG project-based activities

Please list the Partners who take part in EG project-based activities run by the Expert Group or its Sub-group(s) (if any). If there are Partners, who do not take part in these activities at present, but whose participation is specifically desired considering the scope and character of the EG's projects, please name them.

4. Actions taken to implement the Expert Group's annual Work Plan

Please list the activities planned to be taken, which have been included in the Expert Group's annual Work Plan (please annex the EG's Work Plan to your report), and describe actions taken to implement them (list the EG meetings in this section, too). Please describe how much the Expert Group's activities during the reported year

have contributed to the achievement of the group's objectives as spelled out in its Terms of Reference.

5. Other actions taken by the Expert Group (not covered in item 3)

5.1 Project-based activities

For each main project that the EG has completed or is currently running (or was/is actively involved in) please provide the information in accordance with the below specified items. Please do not include projects which are labelled as NDPHS projects, but to which the EG does not provide a meaningful input.⁶

- i) Name of the project;
- ii) Project objectives and geographical area;
- iii) Project leader;
- iv) Main project donor(s);
- v) Project time frame;
- vi) Overall conclusions and recommendations for the future.

5.2 Non-project-based activities

Please list other activities that the EG has completed or is currently running (or was/is actively involved in), and which are not project-based.

6. Strengths and opportunities

Please describe enabling factors, strengths and opportunities in the Expert Group's work.

7. Obstacles and weaknesses

Please obstacles, constraints and weaknesses in the Expert Group's work.

8. Other relevant information

⁶ The Secretariat proposes that, as soon as the NDPHS will have established its Database, the information requested below will be included in the Database and the Expert Groups will include below a reference and the direct link to the respective project. The following section will then be adjusted by the Secretariat to this new pattern.