

Global Prioritization Exercise (GPE) Regional and National Actors Consultations on Humanitarian Research and Innovation

Project Information

- ◆ Department: Center of Excellence for Applied Epidemiology
- ◆ Unit: Research and Policy

OBJECTIVES

The main goal of the GPE project is to enhance the global understanding of the humanitarian research and innovation priorities which in return will improve the ways in which the humanitarian sector uses evidence, responds to crises, and supports populations in need.

REGIONS OF WORK

This project is part of a broader Global Prioritization Exercise (GPE) which seeks to improve outcomes for people affected by humanitarian crises in six geographic regions across the world. EMPHNET will undertake the regional consultation for the Western Asia and North Africa region and will provide support to the consortium members and partners from the other five regions (Latin America and the Caribbean, Central and West Africa, Southern and East Africa, Oceania,

BENEFICIARIES

The beneficiaries of this project are international agencies providing humanitarian research and innovation investments.

PROJECT PHASES

The project involves three phases:

Phase I – Preparations:

- Prepare for the regional consultation (Review key informant interview guides, Obtain institutional ethics approvals, Develop list of key informants for Western Asia and North Africa)
- Prepare for Prioritization Exercise Training by developing material on the prioritization exercise methodology.

Phase II – Implementation:

- Conduct the regional consultation (15-25 Key informants Interviews)
- Conduct 2-3 training sessions to Consortium members and regional teams.
- Conduct the prioritisation exercise (FGD) for Western Asia and North Africa region

Phase III – Closing: Develop a draft regional report, including a finalized list of priorities for Western Asia and North Africa region.

The project is coordinated by a Consortium Central team from Deakin University and the American University of Beirut. The project comprises a series of regional and national consultations with a diverse range of stakeholders to examine humanitarian research and innovation priorities in six defined geographic regions. EMPHNET will undertake the regional consultation for the Western Asia and North Africa region and will provide support to the consortium members and partners from all regions by acting as the lead advisor for the prioritization exercises. EMPHNET will implement this project over a period of 6 months.

Project Start and End Date	October 2022 – March 2023
Partner Organizations	Deakin University and the American University of Beirut (AUB)
Funded by	Deakin University

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A significant amount of the global humanitarian funds and investments are directed to the areas of research and innovation which considered as one of the most important areas to efficiently respond to crises and support populations in need. As the demands are rapidly changing in the world, any lack of evidence on the ongoing changing priorities will result in loss of the global effort invested in this area.

What's next . . .

This project will enhance the global understanding of the current humanitarian research and innovation priorities. The updated list of priorities will in return improve the ways in which the humanitarian sector uses evidence to respond to crises, ensure the most effective humanitarian assistance possible, and warrant the best where to allocate resources for research and innovation in light of the expansion and challenges that faces the humanitarian system. Further information about the GPE in general is available on the Elrha website here: <https://www.elrha.org/global-prioritisation-exercise/>

EMPHNET Information: Eastern Mediterranean Public Health Network (EMPHNET) works at achieving its mission by responding to public health needs with deliberate efforts that allow for health promotion and disease prevention.

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