

**GPZL Leadership Team Meeting**  
2 September 2021 | 13:00 - 14:00 CET

**Participants**

**Leadership team members and guests**

- Amar Timalina, President, International Association for Integration, Dignity and Economic Advancement (IDEA) Nepal
- Arielle Cavaliero, Global Franchise Lead, Leprosy, Novartis
- Deanna Hagge, Senior Research Advisor, The Leprosy Mission (TLM)
- Erwin Cooreman, Team Leader, WHO Global Leprosy Programme
- Geoff Warne, CEO, International Federation of Anti-Leprosy Associations (ILEP)
- Linda Hummel, Chair of Executive Group, Leprosy Research Initiative (LRI)
- Maarten van Cleeff, Former Director of Challenge TB project, KNCV
- Mauricio Lisboa Nobre, Consultant to Brazilian Leprosy Programme
- Nienke Veldhuijzen, Technical Officer, Leprosy Research Initiative
- Takahiro Nanri, Executive Director, Sasakawa Health Foundation

**Secretariat**

- Andie Tucker, Project Manager, Global Partnership for Zero Leprosy
- Bill Gallo, Secretariat Director, Global Partnership for Zero Leprosy
- Caroline Cassard, Communications Specialist, Global Partnership for Zero Leprosy
- Mondie Tharp, Project Manager, Global Partnership for Zero Leprosy

**Invited but unable to attend**

- Alice Cruz, UN Special Rapporteur
- Benedict Quao, Program Manager, National Leprosy Elimination Program of Ghana
- Bill Simmons (Chair), President & CEO, American Leprosy Missions
- Gangadhar Sunkara, Senior Global Program Clinical Head, Novartis
- Rao Pemmaraju, Technical Officer, WHO Global Leprosy Programme
- Rekha Shukla, Joint Secretary, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, India
- Roch Christian Johnson, President, International Leprosy Association
- Wim van Brakel, Chair, ILEP Technical Commission (ITC)

**Summary of Key Decisions / Action Items**

- **Action item** – Please share any recommendations for a Resource Mobilization contractor with the Secretariat.
- **Decision** – The October and November LT meetings will be extended to 90 minutes each in place of the original 3-day biannual conference.

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Decision</b> – The discussion about modeling project results will take place during the December LT meeting.</li> </ul>	
<p><b>Meeting Agenda</b></p>	
Presenter	Item
Takahiro Nanri	I. Welcome
Bill Gallo	II. Biannual LT Meeting Update
Nienke Veldhuijzen Andie Tucker	III. Research workshops <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Planning process and theme selection</li> <li>• Early detection workshop logistics and information</li> <li>• Resource mobilization planning</li> <li>• Upcoming workshops</li> </ul>
Takahiro Nanri	IV. AOB
<p><b>Meeting Notes</b></p>	
Meeting Objective	Notes
Biannual LT Meeting	Rather than meet over three days in October, we will expand our October and November meetings to 1.5 hours each. We will focus on larger issues including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Discuss strategic planning</li> <li>• Revisit our Action Framework</li> <li>• Reach agreements on our system of governance</li> </ul> <p><b>Questions:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Can we invite David Blok and reach a conclusion about the modeling project? We would like to reuse/repurpose the information for advocacy purposes.               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- The modeling project will be a key agenda item for December.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
Research workshops update	<p><b>Research Workshops:</b> See slides for the planning process, theme selection, and early detection workshop logistics.</p> <p><b>Resource Mobilization (RM)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• We continue to conduct landscaping and meet with colleagues to identify appropriate funders               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Key considerations                   <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. RM is both a proactive and reactive process</li> <li>2. Contextualize bite-size pieces of research within overall goal of leprosy elimination</li> </ol> </li> </ul> </li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>3. Consider existing funders for the PIs and projects that will be represented in the cohort attending the workshop as a starting point for potential funding sources</li> <li>4. We have North-South collaboration, which is a strong angle and a priority of donors</li> <li>● Next steps             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- We are looking for a contractor to support the sub-groups in developing their case for investment and an overall impact pathway</li> <li>- Further research on proposed additions to our landscaping</li> <li>- Explore funders for the PIs that will be joining the workshop</li> <li>- Seek input on landscaping from more colleagues at ILEP organizations</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p><b>Questions from LT</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Will prevention be explored in one of the workshops?             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- The workshop(s) will explore active case finding, which is broader than tracing contacts of known cases.</li> <li>- Because we already covered PEP in a workshop we hosted with LRI in 2019, we will cover other topics in this workshop series.</li> </ul> </li> <li>● When will proposals be complete?             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- The output of the workshops is concept notes. Proposals will be developed after we have identified a funder.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
AOB	Request: In addition to the Wednesday update emails, LT members would like cumulative, action-oriented updates on country work.
<b>Key Upcoming Dates</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● <b>Next LT meeting:</b> 7 October 2021, 13:00 - 14:30 CET - <a href="https://emory.zoom.us/j/96051181681">https://emory.zoom.us/j/96051181681</a></li> <li>● <b>First research workshop:</b> 20 - 23 September 2021</li> </ul>	