



AHWP Updates

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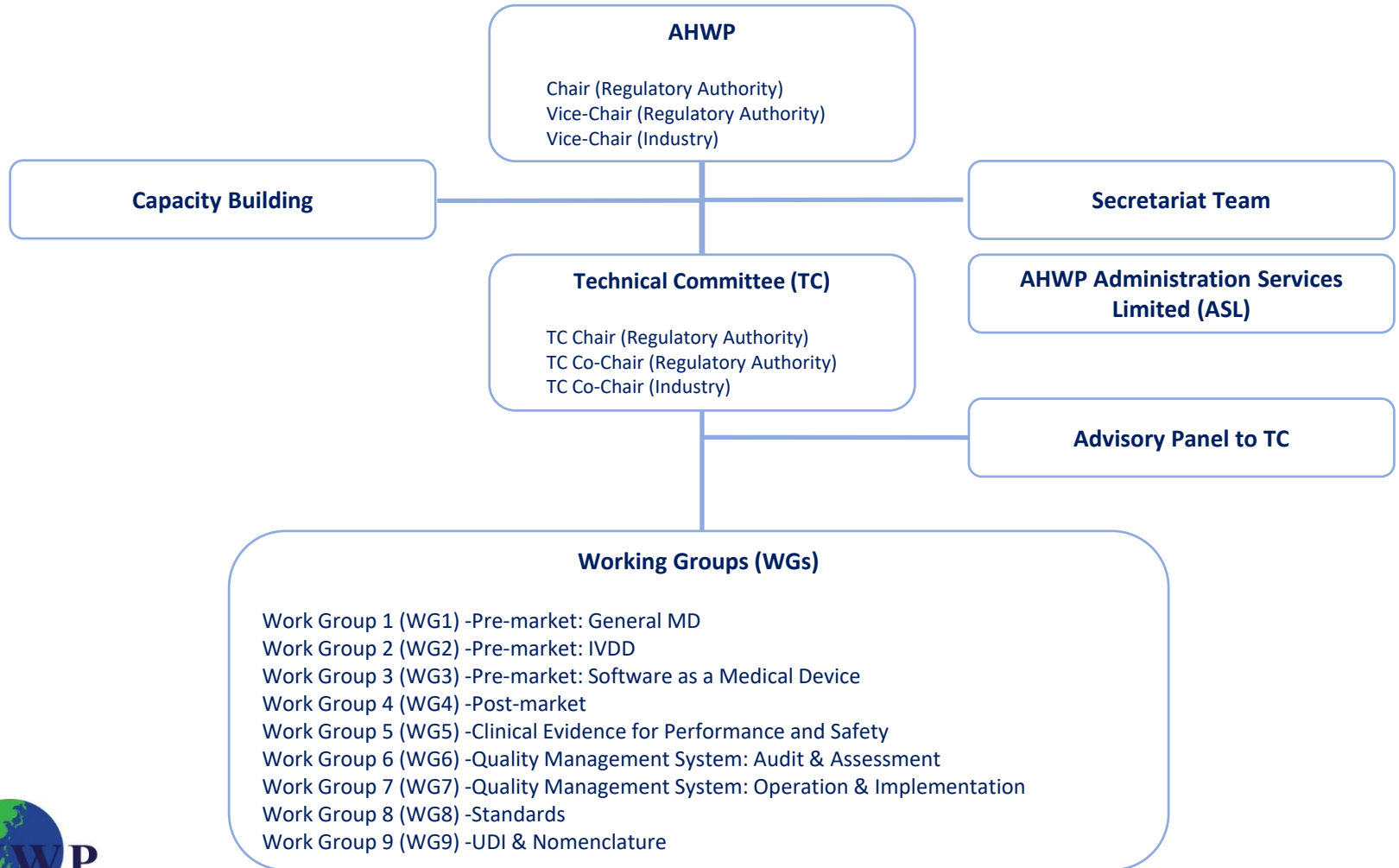
Asian Harmonization Working Party

Working Towards Medical Device Harmonization in Asia

- Established as a **non-profit** organization **formed in 1996-97**
- Its goals are to study and recommend ways to **harmonize medical device regulations** in the Asian and other regions for establishing harmonized requirements, procedures and standards
- The Working Party is a **group of experts from the medical device regulatory authorities** and the medical device **industry**



AHWP Organization Structure



Introduction of AHWP

Goal 1

To develop and recommend approaches for the convergence and harmonization of medical device regulations in Asia and other continents.

Goal 2

To facilitate the exchange of knowledge and expertise amongst regulators and the industry for the establishment of harmonized requirements.



Goal 3

To promote capacity building in member economies and to foster strategic membership expansion.

Goal 4

To work in collaboration with related international organizations such as International Medical Device Regulators Forum (IMDRF), WHO, ISO, IEC.



AHWP Members from 31 Countries / Regions

Brunei Darussalam	Kazakhstan	Pakistan	Sultanate of Oman
Cambodia	Kingdom of Bahrain	People's Republic of China	Tanzania
Chile	Kingdom of Saudi Arabia	Philippines	Thailand
Chinese Taipei	Kyrgyz Republic	Republic of Kenya	United Arab Emirates
Hong Kong SAR, China	Laos PDR	Republic of Korea	Vietnam
India	Malaysia	Singapore	Yemen
Indonesia	Mongolia	South Africa	Zimbabwe
Jordan	Myanmar	State of Kuwait	

AHWP Office Bearers (Term 2018-2020)



AHWP Main Committee

Chair	Mr. Ali M. AL-DALAAN Vice Executive President, Medical Device Sector, Saudi Food and Drug Authority, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia
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AHWP 2019 SULTANATE OF OMAN



AHWP Annual Meeting 2019

11-14 Nov 2019

Hotel Grand Millennium Muscat

Muscat, Sultanate of Oman

ORGANIZING COMMITTEE MEMBERS



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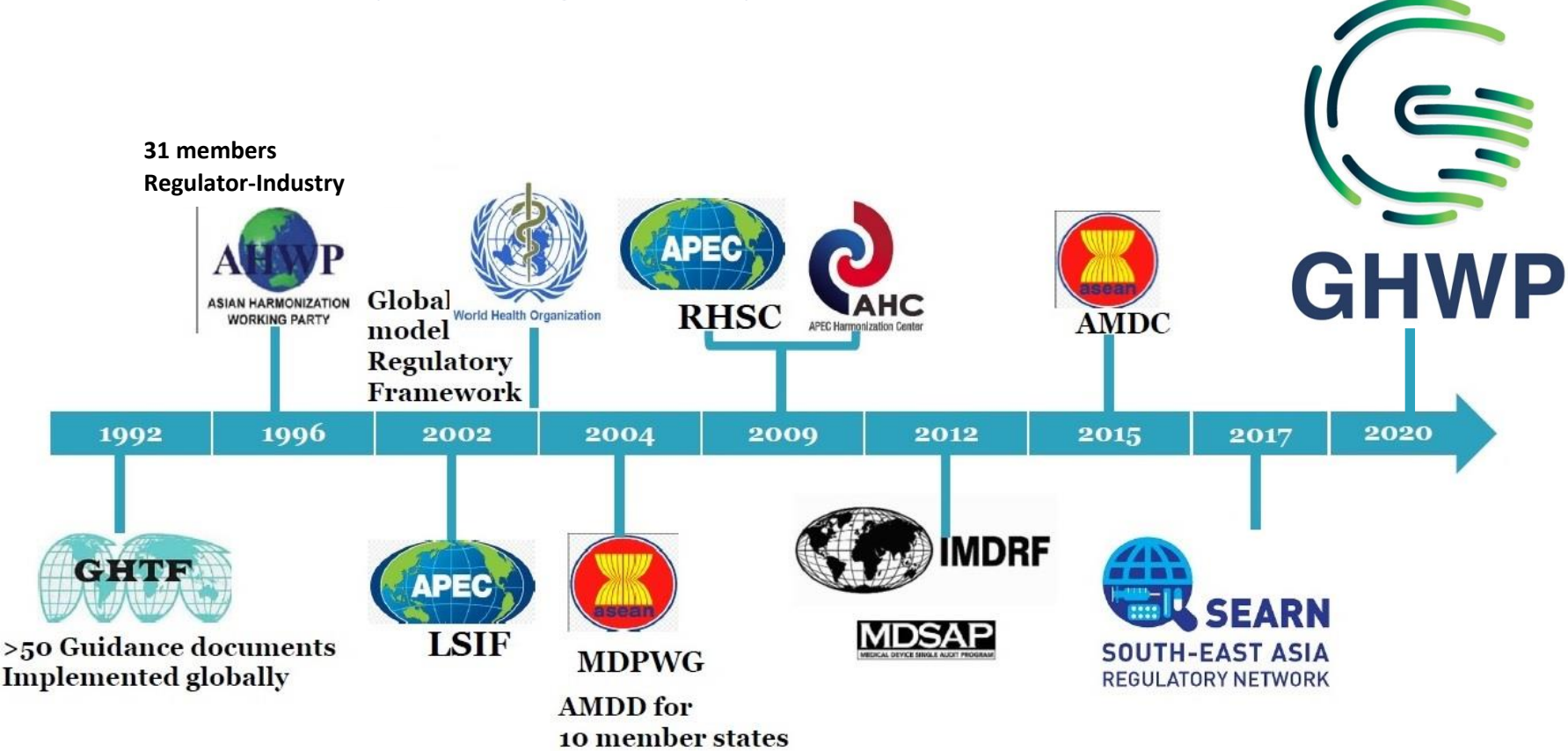


Major Outcome of AHWP Oman Meeting 2019

- Resolved the Amendment 6 to House Rules
- Endorsed AHWP, APACMed, Deloitte: White paper on Competency Framework for Medical Technology Regulators
- Endorsed the Guidance Documents prepared by WG
 - ✓ WG1,2,3: Categorisation of Changes to a Registered Medical Device
 - ✓ WG1,2,3: Principles of Regulatory Requirements for Electronic Instructions for Use (eIFU)
 - ✓ WG9: Challenges & Recommendations for the Implementation of a Globally Coordinated UDI system
- Endorsed the admission of a New Member: Kyrgyz Republic
- Endorsed the admission of a New Liaison Member: GMDN Agency
- **Initiated the process on AHWP change of name to GHWP**

AHWP Changes into GHWP

- in the Journey to Regulatory Harmonization



New Name, Logo and Website



GHWP

Global Harmonization Working Party

Towards Medical Device Harmonization

ghwp.info

Rationales of the Change



- Better reflect the vision and representation of the Working Party with members from Asia, Africa, Middle East and South America
- Open up membership to medical device regulatory authorities and industries worldwide
- Extend efforts in medical device regulatory harmonization from the original focus in Asia into a global prospective

Meanings of the New Name

Global Harmonization Working Party (GHWP)

- **“Global”:**

Global collaboration in medical devices regulation

- **“Harmonization Working Party”:**

Continuity of work and commitment on the convergence of medical device regulations



Meanings of the New Logo



Harmonization and Convergence
in Medical Devices Regulation



Step forward to Global
Collaboration in Medical
Devices regulation



The Impact of the organization



Global Harmonization Working Party

GHWP Towards Medical Device Harmonization

Meanings of the New Logo



Timeline for the Change of Name into GHWP

- PRESS RELEASE "Pre-announcement on AHWP Change of Name to GHWP" issued and web-posted on 30th March 2020
- OPEN LETTER "AHWP transformation into GHWP with Unchanged Position on Regulatory Authorities-Industry-Partnership" issued and web-posted on 29th June 2020
- New name & logo to be formally announced and endorsed in the coming Annual Meeting
- More information also available at ahwp.info / ghwp.info

AHWP 2020 Annual Meeting in China

(details to be announced on web)



List of Emergency Use Authorization (EUA) of AHWP Member Country/Region



Asian Harmonization Working Party
WORKING TOWARDS MEDICAL DEVICE HARMONIZATION IN ASIA

CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE

HISTORICAL DEVELOPMENT

MEETING CALENDAR

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List of Emergency Use Authorization (EUA) of AHWP Member Country/Region

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Members	EUA Information
Chinese Taipei	List of COVID-19 related EUA on Manufacturing/Import of Medical Device http://www.fda.gov.tw/ENG/site.aspx?sid=11194
Kingdom of Saudi Arabia	List of SFDA Emergency Use Authorization (EUA) and Medical Devices Marketing Authorization for COVID-19 IVD Test Kits https://www.sfda.gov.sa/en/medicaldevices/Authorized/Documents/EAUdevices.pdf Saudi FDA Regulatory requirements for Emergency Use Authorization (EUA) for IVDD and Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) during the outbreak of COVID-19 https://www.sfda.gov.sa/en/medicaldevices/regulations/Documents/SFDA-Efforts-COVID19.pdf New Update https://www.sfda.gov.sa/en/medicaldevices/regulations/Documents/SFDA-International-EffortsEN.pdf
People's Republic of China	1. NMPA gives emergency approvals to COVID-19 test kits http://english.nmpa.gov.cn/2020-03/27/c_465663.htm?from=singlemessage&isappinstalled=0 2. Regulatory Requirements and Standards for Coronavirus Reagent Test Kits and Protective Equipment in China http://english.nmpa.gov.cn/2020-03/30/c_467202.htm
Republic of Korea	List of COVID-19 Diagnostic Kits Authorized for Use under Emergency Use Authorizations https://www.mfds.go.kr/eng/brd/m_52/view.do?seq=74424&srchFr=&srchTo=&srchWord=&srchTp=&itm_seq_1=0&itm_seq_2=0&multi_itm_seq=0&company_cd=&company_nm=&page=1
Singapore	Guidance on expedited approval of COVID-19 Diagnostic Tests - Provisional Authorisation HSA's Regulatory Position on Respiratory Devices: Supply for Management of COVID-19 patients Guidance on 3D Printing of Essential Medical Devices and Accessories for Use in COVID-19 Situation

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Online Meetings during COVID-19

- TC Leaders Meeting 18th March 2020
- TC Leaders Meeting 21st May 2020
- Secretariat Meeting 26th June 2020
- TC Work Groups Progress Meeting 9th Jul 2020
- Secretariat Meeting 18th Aug 2020
- AHWPTC Meeting in Oct 2020 (to be confirmed)



Key Events

- Annual Meeting
- TC Leaders Meeting
- Capacity Building Program
- Trainings and Workshops



AHWP TC Leaders Meeting in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia, 2019



24th AHWP Annual Meeting in Muscat, Oman, 2019

AHWP TC Meetings

Annual AHWP TC Meetings



2015 AHWP TC Meeting
Nov 5th 2015 in Bangkok,
Thailand



2016 AHWP TC Meeting
Nov 24th 2016 in Cebu,
Philippines



2017 AHWP TC Meeting
Dec 7th 2017 in Delhi, India

AHWP TC Leaders Meetings



TC Leaders Meeting
Mar 19-20th 2015 in Singapore



TC Leaders Meeting
April 27-29th 2016 in Seoul, Korea



TC Leaders Meeting
March 2-3rd 2017
in Hong Kong, China

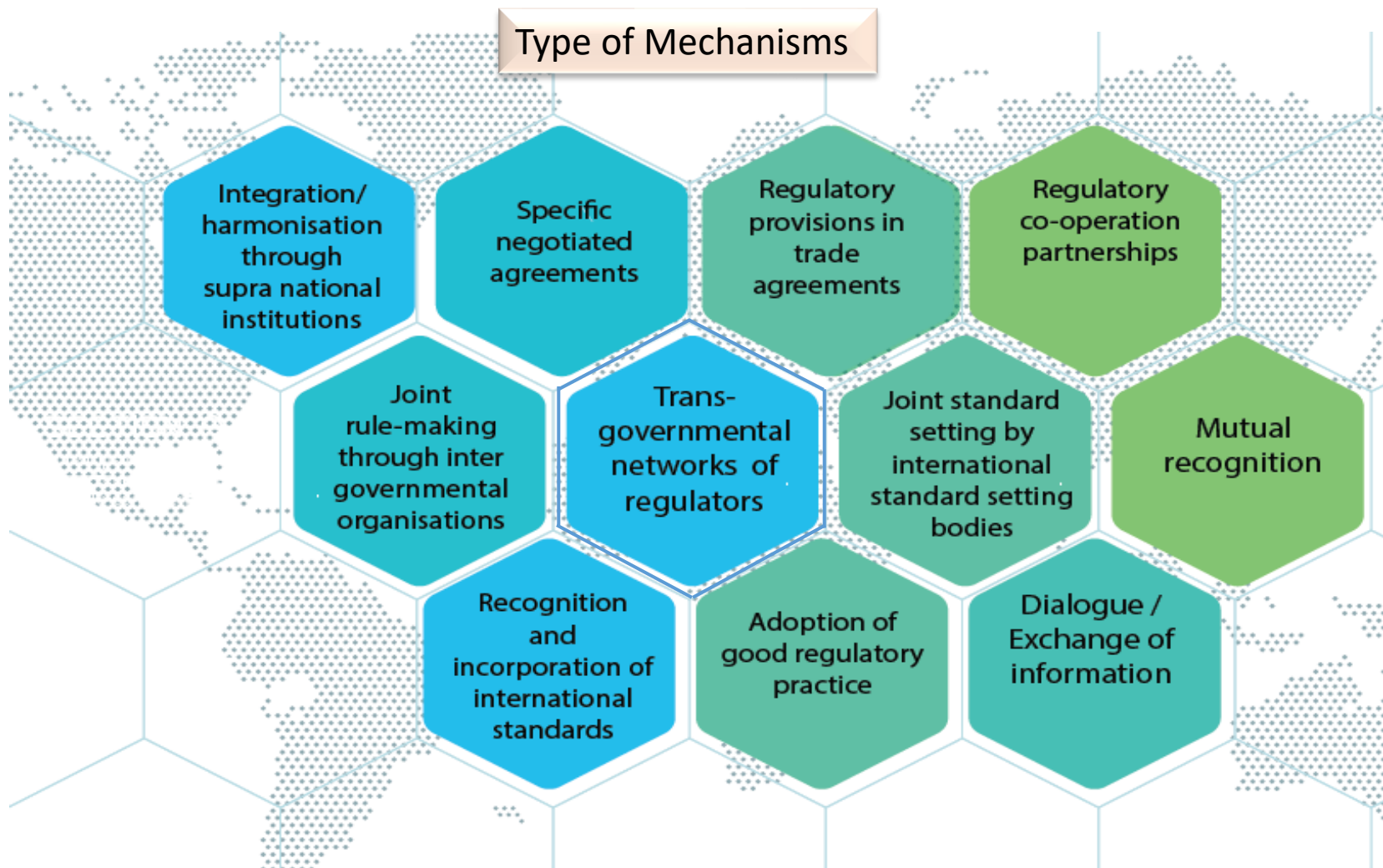
AHWP Global Partnership



AHWP Activities with Liaisons



International Regulatory Cooperation



* Courtesy: AHWP

* IRC: Policy Brief (OECD, 2018), Regulatory Policy Outlook (OECD, 2015)

* International Regulatory Co-operation: Addressing Global Challenges (OECD, 2013)

AHWP Capacity Building

Workshops: Nov 15' Thailand; Nov 16' Philippines; Dec 17' India



In-country Trainings



Indonesia

- July 28-29th, 2016
- 50 Indonesia regulators
- 20 experts from industry
- Topics: AHWP's essential principles of safety and performance and clinical studies



Vietnam

- Aug 25-26th, 2016
- 50 Vietnam regulators
- Topics: classification of medical devices & IVDs, pre-market approval, post-market surveillance



Malaysia

- Aug 10th, 2017
- 200 international regulators, experts and industry
- Topics: software, information technology, post-market considerations



Kazakhstan

- Oct 23-24nd, 2017
- 25 regulators and experts from testing lab
- Topics: CSDT for pre-market registration submission, Risk classification, Good distribution practice; QMS audit of manufacturing sites

In-country Trainings

Development & Implementation of AHWP Guidelines

AHWP WG Achievements:

Guideline documents were endorsed

- 3 in 2017
- 5 in 2018
- 3 in 2019 + White paper



2019 endorsements:

- “White paper on Competency Framework for Medical Technology Regulators” By AHWP, APACMed, Deloitte
- “Categorization of Changes to a Registered Medical Device”
- “Principals of Regulatory Requirements for Electronic Instructions for Use(eIFU)”
- “Challenges and Recommendations for the Implementation of a Globally Coordinated UDI system”

AHWP TC Strategic Plan

Collaborating Activities

- Harmonization in key areas based on IMDRF Principles and AHWP Guidance

Working Group Tasks

- Development of AHWP Guidance
- Pre- and post-market control, UDI
- QMS, Clinical evidence, Standards

Capacity Building Projects

- In-country trainings
- Implementation of Guidance
- Regulatory Competency Handbook

WG Plans for 2018 - 2020 (1)

WG	Tasks	Timeline	Progress in 2020
WG1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> E-labeling/e-IFU guideline (collaboration with WG2 & WG3) • 3D printing handbook update Change management for medical device registration guideline (collaboration with WG2 & WG3) 	<p>Endorsed 2019</p> <p>TBD</p> <p>Q4, 2019</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ on-going investigation of existing guidelines of personalized medical devices from other regulatory authorities, including IMDRF guidance. ➤ In-progress of development of Guidance document on critical or major changes
WG2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> E-labeling/e-IFU guideline (collaboration with WG1 and WG3) Change management for medical device registration guideline (collaboration with WG1 & WG3) Guidance document for approval of reagent for instrument family Clinical Evidence for IVD-Clinical Performance Studies for IVD Contribution to WHO Technical Specification Documents 	<p>Endorsed 2019</p> <p>Q4, 2019</p> <p>Q4, 2020</p> <p>Q4, 2020</p> <p>2018-2020</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Target endorsement in 2020 ➤ Target endorsement in 2020 ➤ Continue working with WHO IVD PQ team to maintain WHO technical documents
WG3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> White paper on pre-market initial submission format for SaMD E-labeling/e-IFU guideline (collaboration with WG2 & WG3) White paper on cybersecurity for SaMD Change management for medical device registration guideline Guidance document on Cyber Security for SaMD Guidance document for pre-market submission format for SaMD (draft) White Paper/Guidance on Artificial Intelligence(AI) 	<p>Q4, 2018</p> <p>Endorsed</p> <p>Q1, 2019</p> <p>Q4, 2019</p> <p>TBD</p> <p>Q3, 2020</p> <p>TBD</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Pending for finalization and endorsement ➤ Final draft under review ➤ In-progress, collaborating with WG1 ➤ Final draft under review ➤ First draft under review ➤ Project team in recruiting

WG Plans for 2018 - 2020 (2)

WG	Tasks	Timeline	
WG4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Updating the post-market resource centre • Gap analysis on the implementation of AHWP guidance among AHWP members • Participation in the development works of ISO TC210/WG6 • Report on post-market support in relation to COVID-19 • Study on post-market trend in medical devices with AI and cybersecurity 	Oct. 2020 Dec. 2020 Dec. 2020 Nov. 2020 Feb. 2021	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Ongoing ➤ Ongoing ➤ Ongoing ➤ New item ➤ New item
WG5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Annual review SWOT analysis of WG5 framework • Guidance document on general principles of clinical investigation audit & inspection for medical devices • Training: WG5 & AHWP members • Survey: country regulations/guidelines and implementation 	Q4, 2018 Q4, 2018 Q4, 2018 Q4, 2019	Ongoing progress
WG6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Guidance document on understanding the roles of IMDRF documents concerning auditing (draft) • Guidance document on the current best practice in determination of regulatory audit duration (draft) 	Q4, 2018 Q2, 2019	Ongoing progress
WG7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Comparison study of new ISO13485 vs QMS requirements in each country • QMS consideration for manufacturers and importers for localization 	Q2, 2020 Q4, 2020	Ongoing progress
WG8	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Guidance document on code of practice for good engineering maintenance management of medical devices • Collecting a list of standards used for medical device regulatory purposes that are recognized by AHWP member countries • Continue working relationship with ISO TC210, etc 	Q4 2020? TBD	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Continue seeking comments on the drafted guidance ➤ Ongoing, need more members to join ➤ Ongoing
WG9	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • AHWP UDI report • AHWP UDI rule-White Paper, target endorsement at 2020 annual meeting 	TBD Q4 2020	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Ongoing ➤ On track

AHWP TC - Strategic Framework Towards 2020



Key Elements:

- Training and Capacity Building
- Develop AHWP Competency hand book
- Harmonization in Key Areas based on IMDRF Principles and AHWP Guidance

Collaborating Activities

- TC Tele-conference, Jan 2018
- TC Leaders Meeting, Q2, 2018 (TBD)
- TC Tele-conference, Q3, 2018
- TC Annual Meeting, Oct 2018, Malaysia

3-year Work Plan

- Development of AHWP Guidelines
- Pre- and post-market control, UDI
- QMS, Clinical evidence, Standards

Capacity Building Program

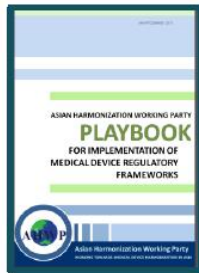
- In-country Trainings
- Implementation of Guidelines
- Regulatory Competency Handbook

Enhancing Regulatory Agencies and Industries

Our Capacity Building Journey

2014 - 2017

2018 - 2019



Competency
Framework for
Medical
Technology
Regulators



Thailand in-country
regulator training
– 35 participants



White Paper

- 1 Approach to Develop the Competency Framework
- 2 Survey Findings
- 3 Introducing Framework
- 4 Guidelines on Use of Framework

Webinar

Collaboration with the OECD

Title: The Contribution of Trans-Governmental Networks of Regulators to International Regulatory Co-operation



A Case Study of the AHWP on Medical Devices	
1. Overview	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - History - Intended objectives of regulatory co-operation - Landscape of regulatory actors - Collaboration with other IOs
2. Governance & Operational Modalities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - AHWP Membership - Structure and governance - Institutional setup - The range of AHWP instruments - Implementation mechanism (CBP) - Quality mechanism of instruments
3. Assessment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Benefits - Challenges

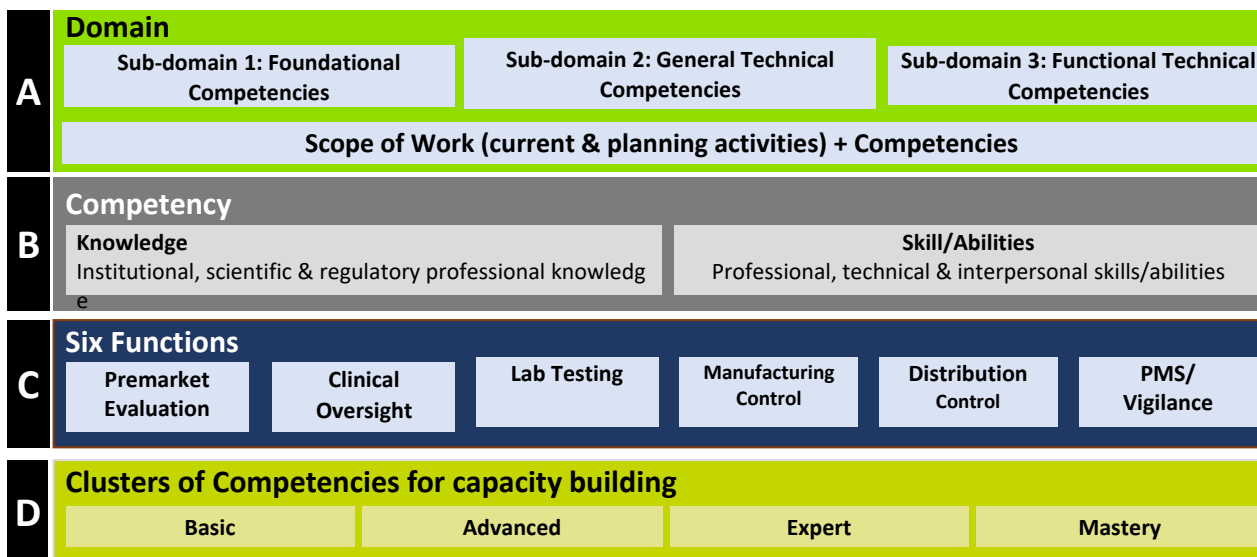
- Participation in drafting the 2nd OECD Report (2017 - 2018)
- Published as an OECD report (September, 2018)

Competency Handbook for Medtech Regulators

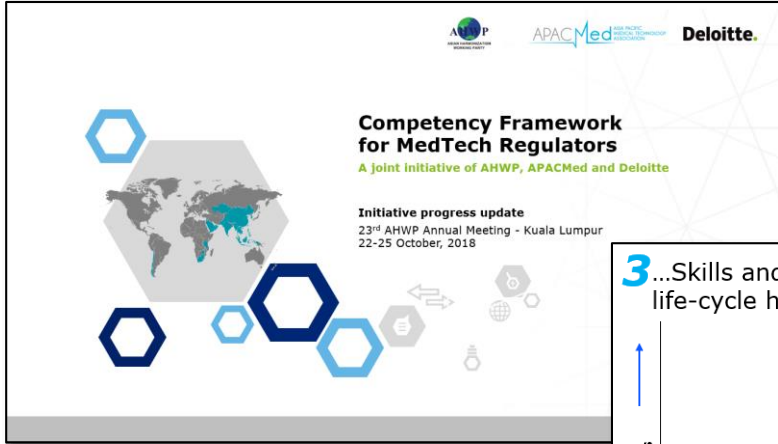
PROJECT SCOPE:

- AHWP survey for regulators among its 31 member countries and regions
- APACMed launching similar survey among companies to assess satisfaction & expectation

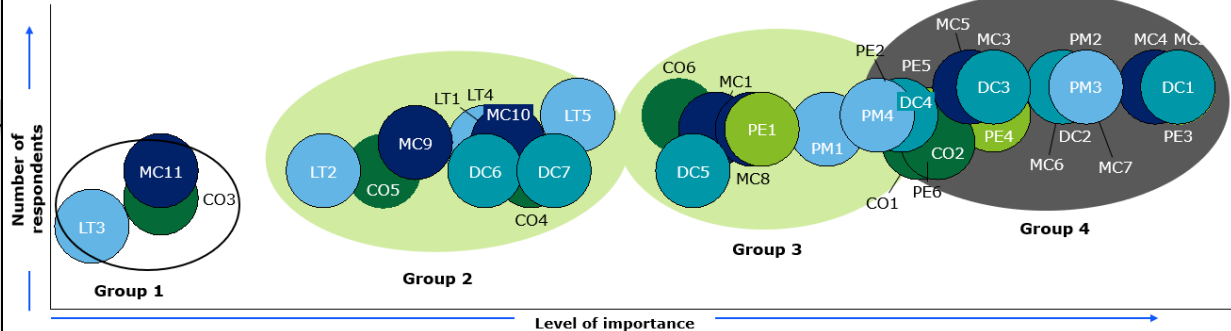
High-Level Competency Framework for MedTech Regulators



Collaboration in Capacity Building: Joint AHWP-APACMed-Deloitte project



3...Skills and Capabilities required to undertake regulatory activities across Medical Device product life-cycle have been ranked across four levels of importance by member economies



“Competency Framework for Asia Pacific MedTech Regulatory Professionals”

Pre-Market	Clinical Oversight	Laboratory testing	Manufacturing control	Distribution Control	Post Market
1 International MD Rmmts.	1 Declaration of Helsinki & Nuremberg Code	1 Good Laboratory Practice	1 Intl. MD Rmmts. In Quality system (QS)	1 Good Distribution Practice	1 Intl. MD rsmmts. in Post-marketing Surveillance
2 Device Registration Unit / Grouping Principles	2 ISO 14155 Clinical Investigation of MD for Human Subj.	2 Laboratory Quality Management System	2 GMP (loc.)	2 Quality System auditing skills	2 Risk Management principles
3 Submission Dossier Format and Content	3 Good Clinical Practice (ICH)	3 Occupational Health and Safety Standards	3 GMP(Intl.)	3 Risk Management principles	3 Advertising & Promotional Regulation Supervision on reprocessing of single-use medical devices
4 Declaration of Conformity Rmmts.	4 Good Clinical Practice (Local)	4 Relevant local test standards	4 QS auditing skills	4 Import/export regulations (loc.)	
5 Device Change Management	5 Clinical Evaluation (Evidence Based)	5 Relevant international test standards	5 Loc./Intl. standards	5 Import/export regulations (Intl.)	
6 General Device Safety & Performance	6 Statistics		6 Design validation / verification methods	6 Disposal of MDs	
			7 Risk Mgmt. Principles	7 Environmental considerations	
			8 Mfg.Process & Tech.		
			9 Calibration/Metrology		
			10 Cleanroom process		
			11 Refurbishment of MDS		

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Q&A