

18 March 2023 – Focusing on better preparedness, early detection, rapid response, and enhanced research for respiratory diseases, the Third Scientific Conference and the sixth EMARIS meeting on acute respiratory infections in the Eastern Mediterranean Region concluded in Muscat, Oman.

Serving as a platform to showcase partnership and solidarity, the 3-day meeting and conference convened more than 200 health experts from WHO, Member States, US Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and partner organizations.

Besides extensive deliberations, the recommendations of the meeting and conference focused on how countries continue to sustain investment and sustain the gains made throughout the COVID-19 pandemic response, especially in the context of the complex needs of emergency countries in the Region. These include the continuity of strengthening health surveillance and detection systems, elevating their readiness for potential future pandemics of influenza and other respiratory pathogens, and investing in antiviral research and vaccine production.



Moments of EMARIS 2023



Group photo of participants at the EMARIS 2023 meeting.



Side EMARIS scientific workshops



Scientific research exhibition



presented at the conference organized at the EMARIS 2023 showcases the different scientific research



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