



20 March 2018 – WHO in collaboration with the Ministry of Health and Population conducted a consultative workshop to finalize Egypt’s national action plan on antimicrobial resistance (AMR), from 6 to 8 March 2018 in Cairo. The workshop was inaugurated jointly by Dr Alaa Eid, Head of Preventative and Endemic Diseases at the Ministry and Dr John Jabbour, WHO Representative in Egypt.

The final draft of the AMR national action plan was discussed with stakeholders such as the Ministry of Agriculture, Ministry of Environment and the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO), as well as experts in human health, animal health, plant production, and the food chain.

The participants reviewed the situation analysis and discussed the AMR national action plan, including the strategic objectives outlined for the plan's operational and monitoring and evaluation components.

The plan is based on 4 pillars: infection prevention and control; AMR surveillance; optimizing antimicrobial use; and education and public awareness under the “One Health approach”.

The national action plan aligns with the WHO global action plan to tackle the growing problem of AMR, including resistance to antibiotics, which was endorsed by the World Health Assembly in May 2015. The goal of the global plan is to ensure continuity of successful treatment and prevention of infectious diseases with effective and safe medicines that are quality assured, used in a responsible way and accessible to all who need them.

[Global action plan on antimicrobial resistance](#)

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