GPW 13 Expert Reference Group on Metrics Taskforce Terms of Reference

Background

The WHO Expert Reference Group (ERG), established by the Director General (DG) in November 2017, is providing advice on 13th General Programme of Work (GPW) metrics. Co-chaired by Dr. Peter Piot and Julio Frenk, the expert reference group reviewed the GPW 13 strategy which focuses on the triple billion methodology and the GPW targets and indicators and submitted an interim report to the DG. The interim report endorsed the triple billion goal and called for methodological enhancements to the GPW 13 measurement and reporting systems with a particular emphasis on the universal health coverage, health emergencies and healthier population targets. Executive Board 142 approved the GPW 13 and recommended its adoption to the 71 World Health Assembly in May 2018.

To accelerate the work towards the development of a standardized methodology and reporting system for the GPW13 measurement, a taskforce under the auspices of the ERG and co-chaired by Dr. Chris Murray and Dr. Irene Akua Aygepong (members of the expert reference group) is established. The ERG reviewed the proposed mandate and membership of this taskforce in February 2018.

The mandate of the ERG taskforce will be to produce a concise report on the methodology of the triple billion goal with attention to the following topics:

- i) review the different service measures (e.g. WHO/World Bank, GBD, and BMGF) available and select a core set of service coverage and tracer indicators, and measures for financial risk protection
- ii) review other verifiable reporting mechanisms (e.g. JEE) and propose indicators for health emergencies
- iii) define healthier lives in operative terms and select a list of relevant indicators for the healthier population and address the overlaps and correlations
- iv) translate the rates (where applicable) to the number of people covered to achieve the triple billion goal

Terms of Reference

- 1. Conduct analyses of the GPW measurement and reporting system including the "triple billion" goal and related targets
- 2. Recommend partnerships to strengthen the GPW 13 measurement and reporting system Work with the WHO Secretariat to strengthen the GPW 13 measurement and reporting system