

CONCERTATION

Dialogue between actors involved in the development of Mutual Health Organizations in Africa

2009 FORUM FROM SEPTEMBER 30 TO OCTOBER 1 2009, YAOUNDE, CAMEROON

Program, September 30

8h00 -09h30 **Arrival of Participants**

Arrival

Chairperson: Dr Gerd EPPEL, Principal technical advisor, GTZ Health program, Cameroon.

9h30

Introduction of the conference:

Mr Jean Philippe HUCHET: La Concertation, Secretary General of the French Mutual benefit society (Mutualité Française)

Mr Marcel SMEETS: President of the International Association of Mutual Insurance (AIM) Mr Hozier NANA: National platform of promoters of mutual health organizations in Cameroon

Speech by the International Labour Office representative: Dayina Mayenga, Director of the Central Africa Sub Regional Office

Speech by the Cameroon Minister of Labour and Social Security, Prof. Robert NKili

10h30

Coffee break

11h00 -12h30 **Academic session**

Extending Social Protection: the International Stakes: Mr Alain Coheur, Director of International Affairs, socialist mutual benefit society (Mutualité Socialiste), Belgium

Mutual Insurance in Africa: Realities, Trends and Key Issues: Mr Olivier Louis dit Guérin, West Africa Regional Coordinator, STEP Senegal and Mr Ilère N'gongang, Social Economy Program Coordinator, WSM/FBS, Benin.

Development Strategy of Mutual Health Insurance in Cameroon, Assessment and Prospects: *Mr. Alain AHAWO, Director Health program, GTZ Guinea*

12h30

Lunch

14h30 -15h30 Workshop 1: Mutual Health Organisation and Conditions for its development

Session Chairman: Dr Alain Ahawo, GTZ Guinea

Topic 1: What are the internal requirements for a sustainable mutual health organization scheme? Peggy Kopnang, GTZ Cameroon and Manuela de Allegri, Department of Tropical Hygiene and Public Health, University of Heidelberg, Germany.

Topic 2: Can networking limit the financial risk of mutual health organization systems? Gerald Leppert, Pro MHI Africa project coordinator, University of Cologne and *Njamnsi Mildred Kongla, Special Fund for Health Promotion in North West Cameroon.*

Topic 3: Is it necessary and desirable for the State to be involved in developing a mutual health organization scheme? *Gertrude A. Owusu, University of Ghana.*

15h30

Coffee break



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16h00 -17h30

Workshop sessions

Discussion and debate with participants

Topic 1 : Facilitator, Alain AHAWO and Rapporteur ...
Topic 2 : Facilitator, Gérard Leppert and Rapporteur ...
Topic 3 : Facilitator, Gertrude A. Owusu and Rapporteur...

17h30

Closing of the workshop

Program, October 1st

08h30 -09h30 Workshop 2: Relationship between mutual organization and access to quality healthcare

Session Chairman: Mr Alain Letourmy, CNRS

Topic 1: Do MHO members have better quality healthcare as a result of their membership?; *Mr Rachid Alhadji, Réseau Alliance Santé, Benin*

Topic 2: What are the impacts of mutual insurance on healthcare services? *Mr Werner Soors, Institute of Tropical Medecine, Belgium*

Topic 3: What is the place of quality healthcare in the determinants of MHO membership? Bruno Galland, *Mr Bruno Galland, Director of the health systems and social insurance department (Département Systèmes de Santé et de Prévoyance Sociale) of CIDR, France*

09h45 – 11h15

Workshop sessions:

Discussion and debate with participants

Topic 1 : Facilitator Mr Rachid Alhadji and Rapporteur ... Topic 2 : Facilitator Mr Werner Soors and Rapporteur ... Topic 3 : Facilitator Mr Bruno Galland and Rapporteur...

11h15

Coffee break

11h45 -12h45

Workshop 3: Mutual Organisation and Universal Health Insurance

Session Chairman: Mr Olivier Louis dit Guerin, ILO/STEP

Topic 1: Can MHOs be actors in a set of tools to ensure universal healthcare coverage? *Mr Aziz KHORSI, Director of the Communication Division, CNOPS, Morocco*

Topic 2: Can national strategies reinforce the role of MHOs and rely on them to extend social protection to the informal economic sector? *Mr Saibou Seynou, Health Insurance Permanent Secretary (SPAM), Burkina Faso.*

Topic 3: What is the role of supporting institutions? Christine Bockstal, Senior Social Security Extension Specialist and Coordinator, STEP Africa, ILO Abidjan, Dakar.

12h45

Lunch

14h30 -16h00

Workshop sessions:

Discussion and debate with participants

Topic 1: Facilitator Mr Aziz Khorsi and Rapporteur ...

Topic 2: Facilitator Mr Saibou Seynou and Rapporteur ...

Topic 3: Facilitator Me Christine Bockstal and Rapporteur...

16h00

Coffee break

16h30

Rapporteurs' workshop conclusions

17h15

Closing Speech

YAOUNDE Declaration and press conference