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D1.2_D2_Annual Meeting 1



This documents include a short report and the content (participants and agenda) of the first Generation H - annual meeting, held from Monday Dec 9 - Wednesday Dec 11, 2024, with the aim to discuss and evaluate project progress, including interpretation of the research results, identifying potential risks, and strategies agreed for future implementation.

The First Annual Meeting of the Generation-H Project



Last December (2024), the first annual meeting of the Generation-H project took place at the African Population and Health Research Center (APHRC) in Nairobi, Kenya. The hybrid meeting consisted of 3 inspiring days where the project team discussed various topics, gained a deeper understanding of the study context and strengthened collaborative relations.



The first day consisted of site visits in the different study areas in Nairobi. After a kick-off and welcome from Prof. Andre Pascal, the director of Programs at APHRC, the project team went to Buruburu. This study site represents a middle-income socio-economic environment and there they visited a community centre, a church and a

school. In the afternoon the project team continued to Kibra, the study site representing low socio-economic environment. Important insights were gained in a school and a community center that advocate for the safety of girls. These site visits proved a valuable basis for the discussion on day 2 and 3 of the meeting, as the team had now a good understanding of the study context and gathered valuable insights from conversations with community members.



The meeting on day 2 started with a kick-off from the project coordinator from Amsterdam UMC, covering the project progress and practical insights into project management. Work package 2 (optimisation of the WHO Best Buys and other recommended interventions) presented the results of the realist review and the stakeholder consultations, providing input for a valuable discussion on potential interventions. Then the Ghana team, reflected on the site visit on differences between the context of Ghana and Kenya. Work package 3 (implementation strategy development for the intervention delivery) followed with an update on the development of the implementation strategies. Finally work package 7 (dissemination, exploitation and stakeholder engagement) discussed dissemination, social media strategies and stakeholder engagement. The day ended with a social dinner.



The last day of the meeting focused among others on reaching and involving out of school adolescents and the preparations done by the APHRC and the University of Ghana for community engagement and the recruitment of participants for the intervention delivery. An update followed about the study design and the proposed sampling design. Presentation on outcome evaluation and health economics led to important discussions. The APHRC team provided insights into the functionalities of the data collection system. Since there are several PhD students involved in Generation-H, the annual meeting was a good opportunity for the PhD students to present their plans to align and avoid overlap. The last part of the meeting discussed cooperation and communication within the consortium. The meeting concluded with the making of several important decisions. We look back on a successful first annual meeting in which important decisions were made and several working groups were formed. We look forward to the continuation of the project and thank the APHRC for their hospitality during the annual meeting.

Website: [The first annual meeting of the Generation-H project - Generation-H Project](#)

Annual Meeting Nairobi - Monday Dec 9 - Wednesday Dec 11, 2024

Venue: APHRC Campus, Kitisuru, Kirawa Rd, Starehe, Nairobi, Kenya. Meeting Room: Serengeti, at Ulwazi hotel

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	Natalie Pearson	Online
	Hibbah Osei Kwasi	Online
VU	Judith Bosmans	In person
IRD	Michelle Holdsworth	In person
	Gideon Amevinya	In person
	Edwige Landais	In person
	Mathilde Savy	Online (Day 2)
	Rebecca Pradeilles	Online (Day 2)
University of Ghana	Amos Laar	In person (Day 1 and 2)
	Pearl Aovare	In person (Day 1 and 2)
Amsterdam UMC	Charles Agyemang	In person
	Erik Beune	In person
	Pam Kingma	In person
	Birhan Semagn	Online (Day 2 and 3)
	Martha Nassali	Online (Day 2 and 3)
	Frank Groen	Online (Day 2 and 3)
Sciensano	Nora Lorenzo	In person
	Stepanie van de Vijvere	Online (partly)
APHRC	Gershim Asiki	In person
	Pieter Otieno	In person
	Richard Sanya	In person
	Samuel Iddi	In person
	Magdaline Mbithe Kusuna	In person
	Joan Watiri Kinuthia	In person
	Sharon Mugo	In person

	Charity Shete	In person
	Stephen Luchacha	In person
	Grace Kyule	In person

- In person: 23, Online: 9 (zoom link provided by email)

General outline of a day		Working methods
- Session	8:30 - 10.30	1. Site visit
Tea break	10.30-10.45	
- Session	10.45-13.00	2. General Update without discussion
Lunch break	13.00- 14.00	
- Session	14-15.45	3. Presentations & Interactive discussions
Tea break	15.45-16.00	
- Session:	16.00-17.30	4. Small group discussions
- Close	17.30	

AGENDA DAY 1 Monday 9 th December		
	Time	Who
Intro by Research Director APHRC Welcome and remarks; Agenda; Briefing visit project sites; Q&A Tea	8.30 - 10.00	Charles/Gershim/Erik
OPPORTUNITY TO VISIT PROJECT SITES & UNDERSTAND CONTEXT OF THE KENYA PROJECT SITES BETTER (Lead: Peter/Joan)		
Site 1	10.00 - 12.45	Peter/Joan
<i>Lunch</i>		
Site 2	14.00 - 16.45	Peter/Joan
<i>Back to APHRC</i>		
	~17.00	

DAY 1: Social event: optional (Optional, Visit [Karura Forest - Wikipedia](#))

AGENDA DAY 2 Tuesday 10 th December		
	Time	Who
Welcome & start	8.30	
CHECK IN: SHORT OVERVIEW / UPDATES: 8.30 - 9.15 (Lead: Erik)		
How far are we now (project timeline across WPs; deliverables/milestones; announcements from each WP, if any); Project Management (Tools, Collaboration, Dissemination)	8.30 - 9.15	Erik
WP2: RESULTS R-REVIEW & STAKEHOLDER CONSULTATIONS, PROPOSAL FOR INTERVENTION 9.15 - 15.00 (Lead: Michelle/Gideon)		
Introduction: the session aims, structure and focus on consensus-building and practical solutions.	9:15 - 9.20	Michelle
Session 1 aim: to share the evidence we have obtained from the realist literature review, stakeholder consultations and prioritisation survey to refine & test programme theories* (Programme theory (PT)=the ideas and assumptions underlying how, why and in what circumstances an intervention works)		

WP2.1 Realist Review: Presentation of methods & preliminary results -next steps (what remains to be done and who can do it)	9:20 -9.45	Gideon ppt
WP2.2 Stakeholder Consultations: Presentation of methods & preliminary results -next steps (what remains to be done and who can do it)	9.45 - 10.00	Michelle ppt
Prioritisation survey of 10 PTs to 5PTs- Presentation of methods & preliminary results	10.00 - 10.15	Michelle ppt
Grand theory and 10 refined PTs: the engine of the intervention and its mechanisms (presentation)	10:15-10.30	Gideon ppt
<i>Tea break</i>		10.30 - 10.45

Session 2 aim: to reach consensus on the scope of the multicomponent intervention for Generation H based on the above evidence		
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Prioritization: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Appraise the refined 10 PTs based on 3 criteria (perceived impact, feasibility and cost**) : score on a scale of 1-5: participants score on own with online link (30 mins) 2. Discuss the results collectively <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identify PTs with low feasibility, low impact and/or likely high cost- should they be deleted? • Can these PTs be removed but the engine of the Grand Theory still run? • Can we delete some mechanisms entirely? • Can we delete some contexts entirely? 3. Decision making and next steps <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Confirm the prioritised intervention • Agree refined Grand theory with component PTs 	10:45 - 13.00	Facilitators: Michelle, Gideon and Eric (timekeeper) Scoring and group discussion ?Record the discussions?
<i>Lunch break</i>		13.00 - 14.00
Session 3 aim: to discuss proposed methods and logistics of the next steps for coproduction of the intervention		
WP2.3 and WP2.4: Coproduction: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • -discuss proposed methods • -preparation of detailed protocol (Feb 2025) • -timing of fieldwork in Ghana & Kenya- when? • -resources required- human, materials etc: room hire, reimbursement for participants, refreshments, generating materials for review (artist, infographics/design expert); RAs to facilitate the groups etc; involvement of partners	14.00 - 15.00	Gideon ppt & discussion
WP3: DEVELOPMENT OF THE IMPLEMENTATION STRATEGIES 15.00 - 16.30 (Lead: Paula/Lauren)		

WP3 data collection: brainstorming on strategies, getting started	15.00 - 15.30	Paula/Lauren
Formation of an Implementation Steering committee	15.30 - 15.45	Paula/Lauren
<i>Tea break</i>	<i>15.45 - 16.00</i>	
WP3- synergies with WP2 & How to work efficiently and within the budget	16.00 - 16.30	Paula/Lauren Mich/Gid
WP7: DISSEMINATION AND EXPLOITATION <u>16.30 - 17.30</u> (Lead: Amos/Pearl)		
Dissemination activities and planning	16.30 - 17.30	Amos
<i>Closing</i>		<i>17.30</i>

DAY 2: Social event: Consortium Evening Dinner, location: [Home - Amaica The Restaurant](#)

AGENDA DAY 3 Wednesday 11 th December		
	Time	Who
Welcome & start	8.30	
WP4-5-6: PREPARATIONS FOR RECRUITMENT & INTERVENTION DELIVERY & MEASUREMENT <u>8.40 - 12.15</u> (Lead: Charles)		
How to reach out of school adolescents & Involvement of FBOs so far	8.40 - 9.00	Peter/Pearl
Study design & Sampling procedures of schools (&FBOs) & Sampling procedures of participants	9.00 - 9.40	Samuel
Outcome evaluation: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> outcomes of effectiveness & data collection instruments outcomes of implementation & data collection instruments discussion on what do we have/know and what we need extra planning: baseline & relation to intervention develop./implement. 	9.40 - 10.30	Gershim/All
<i>Tea break</i>	<i>10.30 - 10.45</i>	
Outcome evaluation: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> outcome of health economics & data collection instruments discussion on primary outcome measure (follow-up kick off) 	10.45 - 11.45	Judith/All
Intro on data collection system, standardization among sites & quality assurance procedures	11.45 - 12.00	Stephen Erik
Update on Consortium wide Data Sharing Agreement	12.00 - 12.15	Erik/Peter
PHD STUDENTS IN GEN-H <u>12.15 - 13.00</u> (Lead: Charles)		
PhD students outlining desired areas of focus for their research & General discussion (harmonize plans/objectives/networking)	Pitch (5 min each)	Birhan Martha Gideon Emanuel
<i>Lunch break</i>	<i>13.00 - 14.00</i>	
COLLABORATION IN GEN-H (work in small groups) <u>14.00 - 15.00</u> (Lead: Erik)		

How to proceed Online/ in person Steering Meetings? (see 20240904 Summary Evaluation SC meeting.docx)	14.00 - 14.15	Erik/Pam
How to enhance communication effectiveness within consortium? (Teams, e-mail etc.) (see Summary - 3 months Teams evaluation.pptx) & Transition of information between WPs	14.15 - 14.30	Erik/Pam
How to best co-working between Ghana and Kenya team?	14.30 - 14.45	Erik/Pam
How to enhance interaction in Generation H? (between Pls/WPs)?	14.45 - 15.00	Erik/Pam
STAKEHOLDERS INPUT (HIGH - MID - LOW LEVELS) (work in small groups) <u>15.00 - 15.45</u> (Lead: Erik)		
How to ensure that stakeholders and Advisory Board get informed and feel involved?	15.00 - 15.45	All
<i>Tea break</i>		<i>15.45 - 16.00</i>
FINANCIAL ISSUES <u>16.00 - 16.45</u> (Lead: Frank Groen)		
Financial management and issues to discuss + Q&A	16.00 - 16.30	Frank
Interim reporting	16.30 - 16.45	Frank/Erik
Summary of achievements & action points & Planning annual meeting 2	16.45 - 17.15	Charles Erik Gersh im
CLOSING		

DAY 3: Social event: Optional, join the APHRC end of year celebration.