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**Technical discussion, Tuesday, 11 September 2012
08:00–09:00, Room PINTO**

Action towards achieving a sustainable health workforce and strengthening health systems

Roadmap: implementing the WHO Global Code of Practice in the European Region

Objective of the discussion

To promote debate on effective policy options for strengthening national health workforce and health systems and to foster commitment of the European Member States and key stakeholders to implement the WHO Global Code of Practice on the International Recruitment of Health Personnel.

Specific objectives

- To present the action-oriented WHO Europe roadmap and available tools to support Member States in their efforts towards a sustainable health workforce for the strengthening of health systems
- To review the current progress in implementing the Resolution WHA63.16 on the WHO Global Code of Practice on the International Recruitment of Health Personnel in the WHO European region
- To promote and facilitate information exchange by Member States on country experiences in the implementation of the Code.

Documents available in the room to inform the discussions

1. WHO Europe Roadmap on Action towards achieving a sustainable health workforce and strengthening health systems.
2. WHO Europe Toolkit with available tools and guidelines to support Member States in strengthening country health workforce.
3. Policy brief with an update on the implementation of the WHO Global Code of Practice in the European Region.
4. Resolution WHA63.16 – WHO Global Code of Practice on the International Recruitment of Health Personnel.

Provisional agenda

Co-chairs: Dr Bjorn-Inge Larsen, Director General for Health, Chief Medical Officer, Norway,
Dr Andrei Usatii, Minister of Health, Republic of Moldova

Time	Topic/Speaker
08:00	Introduction <i>Bjorn-Inge Larsen, Director General for Health, Chief Medical Officer, Norway (winner of the Health Worker Migration Policy Council Innovation Award, 2012)</i>
	Action towards a sustainable health workforce and strengthening of health systems. Roadmap: Implementing the WHO Global Code of Practice in the European Region, by <i>Hans Kluge, Director, Division of Health Systems and Public Health, WHO Europe</i> Country experiences and approaches <ul style="list-style-type: none">• “Source” country action, by Republic of Moldova• “Destination” country approach• The European Commission approach: Joint Action on European health workforce• Civil society action, by WEMOs/Medicus Mundi International
08:30	Discussion Moderator: <i>Hans Kluge, Director, Division of Health Systems and Public Health, WHO Europe</i>

The languages will be English and Russian.