

Annex E: Evaluation Form

NOTE: Please use the online evaluation form [s33](#) to submit your comments and suggestions. However, this form is a back-up option in case you run into technical difficulties. Your feedback and suggestions will help us prepare and improve future exercises. Thank you for your cooperation.

Name of country/area:

Australia

Exercise objectives:

- to validate the functional accessibility of the IHR NFP and WHO IHR CP using registered contact details;
- to practise and test IHR NFP's assessment of public health events using the decision-making instrument contained in Annex 2 of the IHR (2005) and its notification process including IHR Event Information Site (EIS) posting;
- to facilitate the cross-sectoral communication between IHR NFP and their national counterpart departments on public health event assessment and response;
- to improve the understanding and familiarity of staff across Member States and WHO with the IHR NFP system; and
- to test the video teleconference capability of the Regional Office EOC and IHR NFP.

1. Did the exercise meet your expectations (i.e. did it do what you were led to believe in your invitation)?

(1) Yes, fully (2) Yes, partially (3) No, not at all

If you answered (2) or (3), please briefly explain why: _____

2. Did the exercise achieve the stated objectives?

(1) Yes, fully (2) Yes, partially (3) No, no at all

If you answered (2) or (3), please briefly explain why: _____

3. What do you think about the scope of the exercise?

(1) Suitable (2) Too narrow (3) Too broad

If you answered (2) or (3), please briefly explain why: _____ 15

4. Did you find the exercise helpful and/or useful in facilitating the event-related communications?

(1) Yes (2) No

If you answered (2), please briefly explain why: _____

5. What are three useful things that you have learned/observed from the exercise?

(1) The importance of having engaging participants with an all-hazards approach, including staff experienced in animal health, pandemic preparedness, and radiation. This includes gaining a better understanding of Health's role when there are concurrent and compounding issues that may be out of Health's scope of responsibility (for example, the radiological cream). Through this we were able to discuss and clarify interagency roles and responsibilities, escalation processes and intergovernmental communication processes.

(2) Ensuring that all staff are aware of what plans exist and how to access them, so even if the experts themselves are not accessible, the relevant knowledge can still be obtained

(3) The chance to discuss openly and interpret strategies for decision making using a scenario really helped improved junior staff's understanding of the IHR process, for example, escalating an outbreak through Article 8 and then using Article 6, and gaining confidence in the functionality of our reporting system to issue IHR notifications

6. What are three priorities that you would suggest for improvement in the future?

(1) The inclusion of a specific tasks list in the inserts was excellent, encourage continuing to do this in future exercises

(2) Australia always enjoys the variety in scenario each year, we look forward to a different scenario in 2020

7. Please add any other comments:

The inclusion of supplementary questions as an optional for completion was a good addition. Where possible, we enjoyed being able to undertake that additional variety of tasks and test our ability to respond to multiple actions at once, as we would in a real response.

• Please send the completed form via email to **s33** immediately after the exercise.