Global Health Strategy: Internet Consultation

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On the 20th of April 2022, the Advisory Council on International Affairs (AIV) presented her advice 'Fundament voor een Nederlandse mondiale gezondheidsstrategie' - A Framework for a Dutch Global Health Strategy', to the Dutch Parliament Committee on Foreign aid and Trade add Link to advice in Dutch . The AIV advice includes building blocks for a Dutch Global Health Strategy that stipulates three priorities for a Dutch Global Health Strategy: 1) Health systems strengthening, 2) Pandemic preparedness and response, 3) National and international coherence.

The Dutch Global Health strategy aims to offer a strategic and coherent instrument to determine Dutch priorities to effectively contribute to global health. The Dutch Global Health strategy will be founded on the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and existing international human rights framework. It is important that the Dutch efforts in global health is demand-driven and at the same time take into account the unique expertise that the Netherlands has to offer.

To foster an inclusive process and acquire insights in priorities to take, the Ministry of Health and the Ministry of Foreign Aid and Trade organize a series of consultation sessions with national and international public, private, academic, civil society organizations, youth representatives, southern and like-minded countries and program partners in parallel to the drafting process. In addition, this internet consultation is published to give other interested stakeholders the opportunity to provide input. Questions for input are organized around seven key areas, namely:

- I. SDGs, human rights and diplomacy
- II. Health systems strengthening
- III. Pandemic preparedness and response
- IV. Commodities
- V. One Health health in all policies
- VI. Sustainable financing
- VII. Miscellaneous

The ambition is to present the strategy to the Parliament in October 2022. Thereto, the consultations will be open for your input from July to end of August. We are looking forward to learning from your contributions. For any pressing questions, please contact DSO-GlobalHealth@minbuza.nl.

Consultation data

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Consultation type	Online consultation
Organisation	Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Kingdom
	of the Netherlands
Themes	Global Health, health systems, pandemic
	preparedness, access to information and
	medicines

Publication of responses

Responses will be published during the course of the consultation. Only those comments will be published that have been indicated, by the submitter, that they may be public.

Target groups affected by the scheme

Global health affects everyone. To ensure that this important topic is discussed from various angles and because we are keen to draw on the knowledge, insights and ideas of all stakeholders in the field of global health, we are particularly interested in the input of:

- Non-governmental organizations (NGOs), particularly health organizations, that operate internationally, deal with the theme of Global Health or otherwise deal with the subject;
- Internationally operating companies and corporate umbrella organizations;
- Think tanks and researchers.

Expected effects of the scheme for the target groups

With the strategy, the government is responding to the changing health situation worldwide. The ultimate goal is to achieve the sustainable development goals by 2030. The strategy must indicate in which areas the Netherlands (government, companies, social organizations and knowledge institutes) can best contribute.

What can you respond to

You can respond in general to the structure of the Dutch global health strategy and the elements most relevant to you. We would also like to receive a response to the 18 open questions of this internet consultation, including your ideas about the concrete deployment.

You are requested to substantiate your response as much as possible, however not using more than 100 words per answer.

Other documents

AIV Advice

Responding to the consultation

Below are one or more questions that belong to the consultation. You can comment in the space below the question. It is also possible to add a document to your response, for example if you want to add background information.

Session 1: Diplomacy and human rights-based response

Question 1: How could we best include the input of marginalized groups in our diplomacy efforts?

Question 2: The Netherlands is often referred to as a 'donor with courage'. If the Netherlands wants to continue being such a donor, which are the (health-related) themes we should focus on?

Question 3: How can the Netherlands best align the national and international efforts regarding Global Health?

Question 4: How can the Netherlands make more effective use of its diplomatic network abroad, including embassies, permanent representations and thematic experts (such as health attachés)?

Question 5: How can the Netherland's position within the UN (and its reputation in the field of international (human) rights) be used to advance global health objectives?

Question 6: How can we systematically link diplomatic efforts in Brussels, Geneva and New York to the benefit of coherence and greater effectiveness?

Session 2: Health systems strengthening

Question 7: How can we reach everyone, especially the most marginalized people ('last mile'), to ensure their access to information and medical service?

Question 8: How can we make use of the specific knowledge and experience of all different sectors involved in global health? How can we also involve the private sector in meeting the people in greatest need?

Question 9: How can we promote green and sustainable health systems strengthening?

Question 10: How can we gear health systems strengthening most effectively towards better preparedness?

Session 3: Pandemic prevention, preparedness and response

Question 11: Which lessons should we learn from our approach in earlier pandemics, and more specifically, what could we do better?

Question 12: What are the most pressing gaps in the current global health architecture regarding PPR, and how should/can they be addressed?

Question 13: How can we best ensure sustainable financing for PPR?

Question 14: To what extent should new international agreements be legally binding?

Question 15: To what extent should the Netherlands promote the sharing of IP, knowledge and data in the context of PPR?

Question 16: How could we best communicate to a global public audience in order to not only prevent but also respond better to a pandemic?

Session 4: Products and supply chains

Question 17: What is necessary to improve local research and production medical supplies, medicines and vaccines?

Question 18: How can the private sector contribute to the production and distributions of medical supplies, medicines and vaccines?

Question 19: How can we facilitate local production?

Session 5: One health & multisectoral approach

Question 20: There are noticeable links between global public health and other themes, including climate, food security and nutrition, clean leaving environment (e.g. WASH/clean water and air), animal health, economy, school health (e.g. CSE, ASRHR) and sustainability (social, economic and environment). Which should be the priorities – that are also practically feasible – for the Netherlands in this regard?

Question 21: How do we best engage in this intersectional approach of global health?

Session 6: Sustainable financing

Question 22: How do we establish sustainable and innovative health financing with the strategy?

Question 23: How do we ensure best the blending of public and private funding for the Global Health Strategy?

Question 24: How do we ensure sustainable financing for the WHO and the global health architecture at large?

Miscellaneous

Question 25: Do you have any other thoughts, ideas or comments you would like to share regarding the Global Health Strategy?