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### 09:00 – 10:30

1.1 Opening session
- Opening remarks (SEARO RD)
- Introduction of participants and facilitators
- Overview of workshop objectives
- Global Perspective (Agnes Soucat)
- Administrative matters

2.1 Plenary/panel discussion. Who are the purchasers and providers
- Who pays what: examples in the region
- Features of the institutions in different types of purchasing (reimbursements versus budgetary approaches)
- Type and features of providers
- Managing providers: active selection? Quality control? Mechanisms ensuring providers are accountable

(Jack Langenbrunner & Xu Ke)

3.1 Plenary/panel discussion. How to purchase? Steering strategic purchasing
- Different provider payment mechanisms – pros, cons, alignment, and impacts
- Price setting for public and private providers

(Ajay Tandon & Annie Chu)

4.1 Plenary/panel discussion. Governance of the purchasing function
- Institutional setting and coordination
- Accountability/ representativeness
- Legal framework
- Purchasing in decentralized settings
- Opportunities from PFM reforms
- Coordination among different purchasers - Collaboration between providers/ networks

(Eduardo Banzon & Lluis Vinals/ Luke)

### 10:30 – 11:00

- Group photo & coffee break

### 11:00 – 12:30

1.2 Plenary/ panel discussion Setting the scene
- Getting the concept right: what is strategic purchasing, its role in helping addressing future health system challenges and its link to UHC
- Overview of Strategic purchasing in Asia
- Panel on current challenges and progress on strategic purchasing

(Lluis Vinals & Xu Ke)

2.2 Plenary/panel discussion. Strategic purchasing using public finances
- Purchasing/ allocation using PFM systems: limitations (line-item), opportunities
- Output based budgeting reforms potentials
- Strategic purchasing in decentralized settings
- Examples from other regions?

(Owen Smith & Xu Ke)

3.2 Plenary/ panel discussion Purchasing for integrated care
- People as the unit/centre of planning/ funding (linking it to how it could be in existing schemes)
- Innovative way of funding routine/ chronic care
- Information need to activate it and its manage
- New model/ combination/ aligned provider payment mechanism

(Ajay Tandon & Lluis Vinals)

### 12:30 – 13:30

- Lunch break

**Note:**
- Group work THREE. Purchasing reforms: the process
  - Based on the context in your country (service delivery and purchasing reform)
    - a. Build a plan for reform, considering the political economy of your context, capacities, existing opportunities
    - b. Describe the role of each stakeholder/ institution

(Matthew Jowett & Lluis Vinals)
## Moving towards strategic purchasing for health in Asia:

### 2nd SEAR-WPRO Bi-regional Health Financing Policy Workshop

**June 19-22 2017, New Delhi, India**  
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| 13:30 – 15:00 | 1.3 Group work ONE  
Root causes of challenges on Strategic purchasing | - Policy and political environment  
- Institutional arrangement  
- Technical and managerial capacity (in contracting, quality control, PFM opportunities)  
- Information system  
(Matthew Jowett & Lluis Vinals) |
|         | 2.3 Café consultation                                                    | Participants will bring their own questions to experts, asking specific advice.  
(Annie Chu & Hui Wang) |
|         | 3.3 Group work TWO.  
What and How to purchase? | 1. Based on the context in your country *(PFM, NHI, Decentralization)*  
a. What could be done in reforming what and how we purchase to improve financial protection, access to services, quality, efficiency, equity and accountability  
(Matthew Jowett & Lluis Vinals) |
|         | 4.3 Plenary/panel discussion. Presentations by country teams and discussions | 1. What does your country need to do?  
2. What are the key bottlenecks and possible solutions?  
Poster presentation/ selection of the best poster of the week  
(Matthew Jowett & Annie Chu) |
| 15:00 – 15:30 | Coffee break                                                           |                                                                                                     |
| 15:30 – 17:00 | 1.4 Plenary/panel discussion. Evidence-based policy making on resource allocation and benefit package design: what is being purchased | - Benefit package design: criteria and factors that need to be considered  
- Link to implementation issues  
- Role of health technology assessment (HTA)  
- Drug lists/ lab facilities role  
(Matthew Jowett & Lluis Vinals) |
|         | 2.4 Plenary/panel discussion. Implementing purchasing reforms  
Thailand Case study | - Champions, prerequisites  
- Overcoming resistance, making adjustments, windows of opportunity  
a. Cost containment, fairness and effectiveness  
b. The political economy of the reforms  
(Viroj & Lluis Vinals) |
|         | 3.4 Plenary/group work feedback and discussions | *(Matthew Jowett & Lluis Vinals)* |
|         | 4.4 Plenary/panel discussion. Identification of entry points for reforms and discussion | - Take home messages  
- What should be the role of WHO, ADB, and The World Bank in supporting the process towards strategic purchasing?  
- Regional and intra-country collaboration  
Closing remarks  
(Xu Ke & Annie Chu) |
| 20h     | Dinner Reception at The Imperial Hotel                                 |                                                                                                     |