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Background

HIFA-EVIPNet-French was launched on 13th October 2010 at the 12th AHILA Congress in Ouagadougou, Burkina Faso and collaboration between WHO EVIPNet programme and HIFA Forums
Concept

HIFA-EVIPNet-French is a global forum with a focus on French-speaking countries in sub-Saharan Africa.

It promotes access to all relevant French sources of information and evidence for policy-making.
What is the audience?

HIFA-EVIPNet-French policymakers and other health professionals from 450 members, from 36 countries, with 328 contributions. Including 26 francophone countries in sub-Saharan Africa.

Profile:
- 50% of policymakers
- 40% of researchers
- 10% others
HIFA-EVIPNet-French membership 2010-2013
Geographical repartition
How HIFA-EVIPNet-Fr contributes?

- **NETWORKING**
  - Networking and collaboration between members

- **SHARING**
  - Trigger exchanges and sharing of views amongst members

- **KNOWLEDGE ACCESS**
  - Push relevant evidence on health priority topics with publications or resume in French

- How HIFA-EVIPNet-Fr contributes: Push relevant evidence on health priority topics with publications or resume in French.
Why it is important?

Knowledge

- Increase rapid access to knowledge
- Increase critical thinking and reflection
- Increase equitable visibility initiatives and knowledge

Personal

Organizational

World

Community

of Individual
Why it is important?

- Access and share of **latest** information and evidence in French to improve policy-making and to better inform policymakers.
- Sharing between different francophone countries.
- Remove the barriers of language.
- **Free space** of expression.
- **Motivation** very high because information receive or give to others are useful.
- Framework of **training**, self and collective learning between the members.
- Relevant tool to create sustainable **South-South Cooperation**.
Why it is important?

“HIFA-EVIPNet-French is a key platform of exchange to discuss, learn and share on different health topics and take decisions about development, policy or research”

Robert Marie, Centre for the Development of Best Practices in Health (CDBPH), University of Yaounde, Cameroon. Member of EVIPNet Cameroun
Evaluation on how members want to use the forum

1. **Access to knowledge**: new publications, reports, scientific events

2. **Find evidence and information at worldwide level** on the functioning of health systems, Healthcare services and learn from country experience and practices

3. Information on **continuum learning and training** through francophones seminars and capacity building workshops

4. Improve their **working practices** and develop their professional skills for **career development**
What are the challenges?

- Passive participation: 87%
- Active participation: 10%
- Pro-active participation: 3%
- Self-confidence: C
ture of sharing

Fear to share opinions to be judged

Empowerment
How to subscribe?

http://dgroups.org/groups/HIFA-EVIPNet-Fr
Thank you for your attention.