



CONSULTATIVE MEETING ON IMPROVING ACCESS TO ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY IN THE
EASTERN MEDITERRANEAN REGION
ISLAMABAD, PAKISTAN, 8-10 MAY 2018
PROVISIONAL PROGRAMME

DAY 1: Tuesday, 8 May 2018

08:00 – 08:30 *Registration*

Inaugural session

08:30 – 08:45 Registration

08:45 – 09:05 Opening remarks (WR Pakistan)

09:05 – 09:25 Introduction of participants

09:25 – 09:30 Introduction of the meeting: concept, objectives and expected outcomes; and
adoption of agenda
Zafar Mirza, WHO

09:30 – 09:35 Documentary Video on Assistive Technology

09:35 – 09:40 *Address by Dr Sana Hafeez, WHO Global GATE Ambassador*

09:40 – 09:50 RD's speech
Jaouad Mahjour, WHO

09:50 – 10:00 *Meeting inauguration by Her Excellency the Minister of Health of Pakistan*

10:00 – 10:30 *Group Photo & Coffee break*

Session 1 – Setting the Scene (national, regional and global)

10:30 – 10:50 GATE Initiative – Lead Role of Pakistan
Maryam Mallick, WHO

10:50 – 11:10 Regional situation: RC63 technical paper and resolution
Maha Eladawy, WHO

11:10 – 11:30 Regional rapid assessment of AT provision
Adham Ismail, WHO

11:30 – 11:50 Global situation and update on AT
Chapal Khasnabis, WHO

11:50 – 13:00 Discussion

13:00 – 14:00 *Lunch Break*

Session 2 – Assistive Technology Frameworks: Previous Experiences and Models

- 14:00 – 14:25 The Norwegian experience
Terje Sund, WHO Temporary Adviser
- 14:25 – 14:50 AT in emergencies
Firoz Alizada, WHO Temporary Adviser
- 14:50 – 15:00 Discussion
- 15:00 – 15:30 *Coffee break*
- 15:30 – 16:00 Draft Regional framework
Hala Sakr and Adham Ismail, WHO
- 16:50 – 16:05 *Discussion*
- 16:05 – 17:00 *Wrap-up and Key Messages of Day 1*

DAY 2: Wednesday, 9 May 2018

- 08:30 – 08:45 Recap of Day 1 Proceedings
Meeting Rapporteur
- 08:45 – 09:00 Introduction to Group work
Adham Ismail, WHO

Session 3 – Development of a Regional AT Framework (Policy)

- 09:00 – 10:45 *Group work*
- 10:45 – 11:00 *Coffee break*

Session 3 – Development of a Regional AT Framework (Provision)

- 11:00 – 12:45 *Group work*
- 12:45 – 13:45 *Lunch Break*

Session 3 – Development of a Regional AT Framework (Personnel)

- 13:45 – 15:30 *Group work*
- 15:30 – 15:45 *Coffee break*

Session 3 – Development of a Regional AT Framework (Products)

- 15:45 – 17:30 *Group work*

DAY 3: Thursday, 10 May 2018

- 08:30 – 08:45 Recap of Day 2 Proceedings
Meeting Rapporteur

Session 4 – Implementation challenges in development and emergency contexts

- 08:45 – 10:30 *Group work*
- 10:30 – 11:00 *Coffee Break*
- 11:00 – 13:00 *Group presentations*
- 13:00 - 14:00 *Lunch Break*
- 14:00 - 15:00 *Agreement on next steps*
- 15:00 *Closure*