

The Challenge of Introducing New Health Care Tools

Bridging health research and implementation
in Ghana

Hybrid Event at Swiss TPH

27 February 2025, 10:00 – 12 : 15 CET

Seminar room 6 or [virtual link](#)

Swiss TPH, Kreuzstrasse 2, Allschwil



Capacity building through South-South and North-South collaboration

SAVING, a five-year project, aims to identify and address implementation challenges for the efficient and effective delivery and uptake of new medical interventions using an implementation research approach, with a focus on new malaria vaccines.

Join us, and other organisations engaged in implementation research.

We will:

- Share SAVING's experience in building the institutional and individual capacity in Implementation Research through South-South and North-South collaboration.
- Present experiences in enhancing evidence-based decision-making for effective uptake and delivery of new medical interventions.
- Examine the role of North-South collaboration in the uptake of new medical interventions using implementation research and facilitation of mutual learning and knowledge management.

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Objectives of the event:

- Share SAVING's experience in building the necessary institutional and individual capacity in Implementation Research through South – South and North –South collaboration
- Share SAVING's experiences in enhancing evidence-based decision-making for effective uptake and delivery of new medical interventions
- Foster exchange North-South collaboration in the uptake of new medical interventions and facilitation of mutual learning and knowledge management

Participants and target audience:

- Swiss TPH collaborators working in the area of implementation research and research capacity strengthening
- Other collaborators outside Swiss TPH (e.g TDR, Alliance for Health Policy and Systems Research) with activities in the area of implementation research and research capacity strengthening.

Agenda:

Time	Topic	Speaker
10:00	Welcome and opening	Prof. Dr Jürg Utzinger, Director Swiss TPH
10:05	Welcome from the <i>University of Health and Allied Sciences</i> (UHAS)	Professor Lydia Aziato, Vice Chancellor UHAS
Session on implementation research and the role of North-South collaboration		
10:10	Overview and key results of the project Building Capacity to Address Implementation challenges for Sustainable Access and Delivery of New Vaccines in Ghana	Prof. Margaret Gyapong, Principal Investigator SAVING project, Ghana
10:20	Capacity strengthening for implementation research: experiences in Ghana	Prof. Evelyn Ansah, SAVING, Ghana
10:35	The role and results of implementation research: perspective of the public administration in Ghana	Saviour Yevutsey, Head of Drug Policy Unit, MoH
10:50	The role and results of implementation research: perspective of the regulatory agency	George Sabblah, FDA Ghana
11:05	<i>Short Break</i>	
Session on evidence based decision-making		
11:10	Living systematic review on malaria vaccines as an entry door for producing evidence for effective uptake of new interventions	Dr Xavier Bosch and Dr Christian Auer, Swiss TPH
11:25	Experiences of the <i>Alliance for Health Policy and Systems Research</i> on implementation research for evidence based decision-making	Dr Daniela Rodriguez, Alliance for Health Policy and Systems Research
11:40	Experiences of <i>Special Programme for Research and Training in Tropical Diseases</i> (TDR) on implementation research for evidence based decision-making	Dr Anna Thorson, TDR
11:55	IMPACT: The Swiss implementation science network and its embedment in the global landscape	Prof. Sabina de Geest, University of Basel
12:10	Wrap-up and perspectives emerging from SAVING	Prof. Margaret Gyapong