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2019/SOM3/EPWG/005

Agenda Item: 9.5

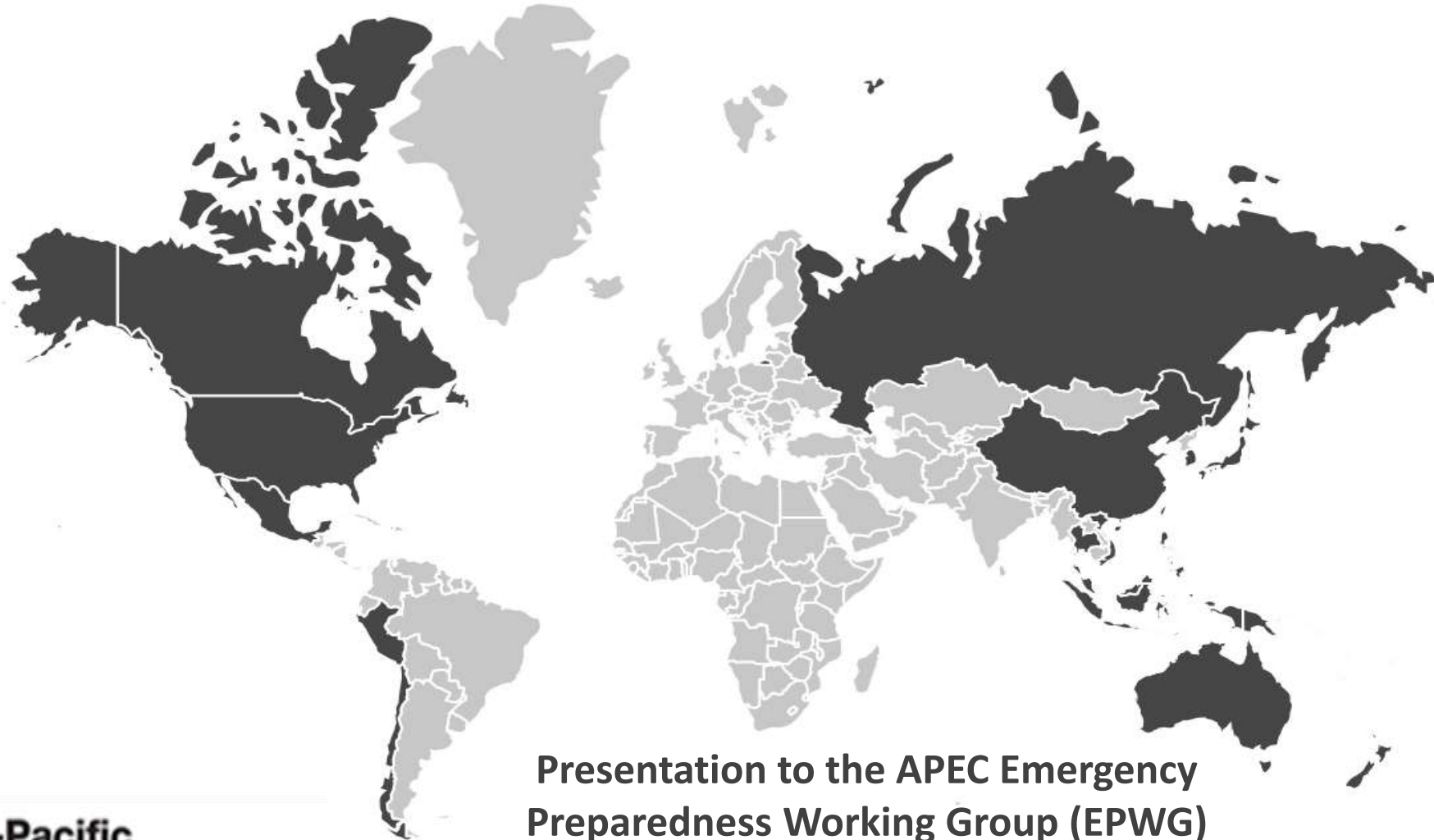
Cross-Fora Collaborations with Emergency Preparedness Working Group

Purpose: Information
Submitted by: HWG Chair



**15th Emergency Preparedness Working Group
Meeting
Puerto Varas, Chile
22 August 2019**

HEALTH WORKING GROUP (HWG)



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**Presentation to the APEC Emergency
Preparedness Working Group (EPWG)**

Ms. Tammy Bell, HWG Co-Chair

August 21st, 2019



APEC
CHILE 2019

ABOUT THE HWG



MANDATE

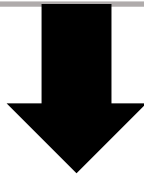
To work with partners to improve people's health and well-being, aiming to promote trade, security, inclusive growth and development in the APEC region.

GOAL

To help reduce the impact of health-related threats to the economy, trade and security of member economies. The HWG aims to strengthen health systems to increase their efficiency, responsiveness and resilience to achieve and maintain universal health coverage.

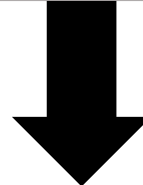
HWG KEY ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Policy Discussion on **Tuberculosis (TB)** in the Asia-Pacific Region (2018)



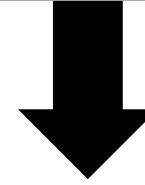
Outcome: APEC Statement on TB for the United Nations High Level Meeting (UNHLM) on TB

Mental Health Policy Dialogue (2018) and **Mental Health** Status Update and Next Steps Presentation (2019)



Outcome: Kick-starting the process for the APEC Digital Hub Roadmap Renewal

Policy Discussion on **Immunization** in the Asia-Pacific Region (2019)



Outcome: APEC Statement on Universal Health Coverage (UHC) for the UNHLM on UHC (September 2019)

Outcome: Agreement for enhanced capacity building initiatives to translate dialogue to action

POTENTIAL CROSS-FORA COLLABORATION WITH THE EPWG



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**MENTAL
HEALTH**

**INFECTIOUS
DISEASE
PREVENTION
AND CONTROL**

**UHC/HEALTH
SYSTEMS
STRENGTHENING**

QUESTIONS + DISCUSSION

1. Are there other specific topic areas where the EPWG would like to collaborate with the HWG?
2. Where best can the HWG add it's voice and perspective to the discussions at the EPWG?

Comments, Questions + Discussion