

## Matrix of Discussion and Decisions

### Iodine Network Board Meeting New York, 7-8 September 2004

Subject/Issue	Background	Board Discussion	Board Decision and Outline of Task	Lead Member	Ready by	Key Issues Raised
1 Network Strategy	The main features of the Network Strategy were presented by the Mestor team.	<p>The strategy should be divided into three parts: Short term (by 2005), Medium term (2005-9), Long term (sustained elimination by 2009/10) at both global and national levels.</p> <p>Vision, Mission and Goal Statements to be revised.</p> <p>Network will continue to play advocacy role at global, regional and national level in order to mobilize/leverage local/national resources.</p> <p>For the short term, the Network can start working in certain regions e.g. West Africa and Eastern Europe (focusing on specific countries that need support).</p> <p>A separate Business plan should</p>	Mestor team will revise draft according to comments.	UNICEF (Rainer Gross) with MI (Marc van Ameringen)	Revised Network Strategy by next Board meeting	<p>USI – is this really the correct terminology? Should USI cover just table salt or all salt that is used in processed foods?</p> <p>Role of strategies other than salt iodization in those areas where USI is not necessarily the best strategy</p> <p>Use of salt iodization coverage as the indicator – more important to use UIE as a measure of impact as good coverage does not necessarily indicate good iodine status. Data resources on iodization coverage and iodine nutrition should be consolidated to get best picture of overall program effectiveness</p> <p>We need an estimate of what it will cost to attain and sustain the goal of universal salt iodization and elimination of iodine deficiency and identify</p>

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		<p>be prepared focusing on the medium/ long term approach.</p> <p>Need to ensure follow-up</p> <p>Criteria for network support to be program related- base framework on criteria, not countries, ensuring flexible and appropriate strategies</p> <p>Framework with two aspects:            -Promote a process for institutionalization of IDD elimination (top down), and            -Short term approaches to enhance operations on the ground now (bottom up)</p> <p>Strategy should encourage decentralization.</p> <p>The Network should be able to share lessons learned.</p> <p>The Network should focus on creating the infrastructure and coalitions in countries and processes rather than troubleshooting</p>				<p>where are the resources going to come from?</p> <p>Minimize global resource seeking, maximizing local resources and thus sustainability.</p> <p>The weakest link is civil society-industry to ensure their participation</p> <p>Capacity Development needs to be part of the strategy/plan</p>

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2 <b>National Coalitions for Micronutrients</b>	Terms of Reference for multi-sectoral National Coalitions on Micronutrients could serve as a guide to countries and enable better buy in at the national level	The coalition should institutionalize tri-sectoral partnerships  A Salt Iodization sub group, if necessary, could function within the ambit of the National Coalition on Micronutrients	TOR to be drawn up (using similar TORs developed in earlier consultations e.g. PAMM Meeting in Stone Mountain 1992)  Once the TORs are finalized, one external organization could act as champion in each country (see # 3).	Chair	Next Board Meeting	
3 <b>Support to National Programs</b>		It is agreed that solution is national/regional coalition with a designated focal point. Board Member identified in table to contact champion and discuss work plan surrounding action	Network should not be in charge of mobilizing resources. It will however coordinate/support preparation of proposals for funding and channeling through one or more member organization			
<i>India</i>		Network can offer support for a public-private-civic coalition.	The lead member(s) to follow up through their regional advisors or a national focal point.  Network to offer support for the creation of a National public-private-civic network/coalition.  UNICEF NY to write to	UNICEF (Rainer Gross) to follow up with Werner Schultink (UNICEF) the national focal point.	Report for review by members before next Board Meeting.	ns

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			<p>the UNICEF Rep in India Cecilio Adorno.</p> <p>MI to follow up through its Asia Regional Office</p> <p>WHO to write to Regional Office</p> <p>Salt Institute to write to Tatas and other Private sector partners in India to promote a coalition</p>			
<b>Pakistan</b>		<p>Network to send a small situational assessment team after MI completes salt situational analysis National salt situation analysis on-going</p> <p>MI supporting the analysis with UNICEF and a National coalition meeting</p>	<p>GAIN can assist through its food fortification coalition support.</p> <p>Network to send a small situation assessment team after MI completes the salt situation analysis</p> <p>Noor Khan (MI) to take the lead</p> <p>EU Salt to take up with Akzo which is interested in Pakistan as a Ghana-Unilever model.</p> <p>Check if there is possibility of collaboration with USAID, DFID</p>	<p>MI (Marc van Ameringen) and EU salt to follow up with National focal point (Noor Khan).</p>		

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<i>The Philippines</i>	Coverage has recently gone up to around 70%. Decentralized approach – port/city	Beijing report to be tool to congratulate success, follow-up	Kiwanis to determine next steps.	Kiwanis (Jeniffer Pursifal) to follow up with Juan Torres		
<i>Indonesia</i>	Iodized salt coverage is increasing to about 74%. National Fortification coalition established. With Prof. Soekirman as champion	Network to help USI strategy in a decentralized environment.	Effect of decentralization to be determined- help from Network as to how to proceed.	Secretary will follow-up with Prof. Soekirman.		
<i>Vietnam</i>	70% coverage	ICCIDD Regional Adviser Dr. Creswell Eastman can help.  Unilever has offered to help.		EU Salt (Gerard Dumonteil) to follow-up with Unilever		
<i>Egypt</i>	70% coverage	Follow up to Beijing Meeting- congratulate success	UNICEF/WHO/ICCIDD to follow up through their regional advisers. Check with Minister of Supply/Trade (attended London Grains Meeting Jun 04). Try working through Arab League- Haxton to explore. Foster a Middle East Regional Initiative	ICCIDD (Jack Ling) to follow up with Dr. Azizi.		
<i>Dominican Republic</i>			Follow up the Miami meeting UNICEF (Rainer Gross) to investigate	UNICEF (Rainer Gross)		

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<i>Australia/NZ:</i>	~60% coverage No one advocating the iodization of salt so prevalence of iodine deficiency is increasing Iodized salt not being used with animals, no iodine in dairy products		Glen Maberly to follow up with ICCIDD regional advisor (Creswell Eastman)	ICCIDD: Jack Ling to follow-up with Cres Eastman.		
<b>4 Support to Regional Programs</b>	Network to support/ foster establishment of regional network (public-private-civic partnership).		The lead member(s) to follow up through their regional advisors.		Report for review by members before next Board Meeting.	Issues may need to be addressed regionally, not at country level, closing the gap between supply and demand while ensuring adequate iodization
ASEAN			UNICEF (Rainer Gross) and WHO to follow up with ASEAN secretariat through their regional office.			
West Africa	Regional USI Meeting Oct 19-21/04 in Dakar, Senegal.		Gerard Dumonteil to chart out a regional plan that establishes clear channels of distribution  Network to push for a regional network to be established following the Dakar Meeting in October	UNICEF (Rainer Gross), MI (Venkatesh Mannar) and EU Salt (Gerard Dumonteil) to follow up with regional advisors. Regional focal point: Victor Aguayo (UNICEF)		

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<i>Central and Eastern Europe</i>	2005 Conference planned in Lyon.		<p>Network to assess problems at different levels. EU Salt to support a regional meeting in April and Codex Alimentarius will be invited to meeting.</p> <p>WHA (May 2005) will have an IDD agenda that can be used as a media to foster regional Network.</p>	<p>WHO (Bruno de Benoist) and EU Salt (Gerard Dumonteil)</p> <p>Regional focal point: F. Delange/G. Gerasimov (ICCIDD)</p>		<p>An advocacy tool (VMDs?) to distribute to industry and officials globally. Secretariat to take lead pulling documents together (ICCIDD good resource).</p> <p>Outcome of meeting is hopefully to facilitate a strategy for labeling, regional coalition to implement strategy. A large part of this may be the development of a communication strategy to ensure problem is properly understood. The implications for this are that the meeting might need to be more commercially minded the one geared towards the scientific community</p>
<i>Middle East</i>			TBD	<p>Anna Verster</p> <p>Regional focal point: Dr. Azizi (ICCIDD).</p>		
<b>5 High level IDD Advocacy Meeting</b>	<p>CIDA plans to have a High level IDD Advocacy Meeting to accelerate action towards achievement of 2005 goal.</p> <p>Key donors (USAID, Gates) have stressed that IDD efforts should be linked with broader food</p>	<p>Meeting can be co-hosted by the Network but should perhaps have a broader scope than simply the push to accelerate action in advance of 2005 goal- “70/30-reaching the unreached”</p>	<p>MI will follow-up with CIDA</p>	<p>MI (Marc van Ameringen)</p>	<p>Next Board Meeting</p>	<p>Efforts should focus to beyond 2005 and public private partnership.</p>

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6 <b>Board Membership and Criteria</b>			WFP and Consumer International (CI) were invited to join the Board. WFP has agreed to be part of the Board. Secretariat to follow-up through the Chairman.	Secretariat	Next Board Meeting	The Board should have more representation from the South.
7 <b>Network Secretariat</b>	The shifting of the secretariat and documentations (files and website) from the Emory U to MI office in Ottawa complete.  Recruitment of the Secretary and Research Officer complete.	Network Logo will be developed.	The secretariat will consult with the Board members to develop the Network Logo.	Secretariat	Next Board meeting	
		The network website will be updated and redesigned.	Website will be redesigned, including new functionality, improved databases, linkages and information.			
		Build and maintain databases to support Network actions under Strategic Plan	Build and maintain up-to-date database of National IDD situations.			

### Other Countries of Interest for Program Support:

#### Bangladesh

- 70% slipping
- Flagship Program with government support.
- VMD report to be released shortly and that could be a hook for action on salt iodization.
- No follow up.

#### Ethiopia

- 20%
- WB initiative on nutrition quite successful
- MI working with UNICEF to organize a salt situation analysis.
- MI to keep Network informed re any developments, consultant ready to go.
- Network can approach Carter Foundation to intervene.
- Network decided to wait and watch.

#### Guatemala, Bolivia

- Follow up the Miami meeting
- UNICEF/MI could follow up in Bolivia

### Next Board Meeting

Teleconference: 2-3 hours in November (before IVAGG on 15<sup>th</sup>). Follow up on short term decisions and activates as well as decision for next physical meeting.

Present :

Bruno Debenoist WHO  
Gerard Dumonteil EU Salt  
Rolf Carriere GAIN  
Jack Ling ICCIDD  
Dick Hanneman Salt Institute  
Gerard Burrows ICCIDD  
Walter Becky Salt Institute  
Rainer Gross UNICEF  
Marc van Ameringen MI  
Venkatesh Mannar MI  
Glen Maberly Emory U  
David Haxton ICCIDD/MI  
Robert Baldwin CDC  
Nune Mangasaryan UNICEF New York  
Jennefer Pursifull Kiwanis International  
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Leah Jurkovic Network Secretariat  
Anne Whyte Mestor Associates  
Robert Auger Mestor Associates