



# 2023 Action Plan

## **GHSA Action Package Prevent 3 on Biosafety and Biosecurity**

Chairs: United States and GHSA Consortium

The Global Health Security Agenda (GHSA) Action Package Prevent-3 Biosafety and Biosecurity (APP3) aims to advance global biosafety and biosecurity, in support of international instruments and agreements, including the International Health Regulations (IHR) (2005), the Biological and Toxin Weapons Convention (BTWC) (1975), and United Nations Security Council Resolution 1540 (2004).

The 2023 Action Plan will guide progress of APP3 members toward collective achievement of strategic objectives. Progress will be reported by the APP3 Co-Chairs to the GHSA Steering Group, the Action Package Coordination Task Force, and the Accountability & Results Task Force.

### **2023 APP3 Workplan Strategic Objectives**

1. Encouraging military-civilian engagement/collaboration to improve biosafety/biosecurity
2. Increase awareness of—and incentivize actions to reduce—biosecurity and biosafety risks posed by emerging and advanced technologies
3. Enhancing Global South engagement in biosafety/biosecurity events and engagements, and increasing South-South collaboration

To help ensure that these objectives are being met throughout the year, APP3 members will be forming working groups to align with each of the objectives. Each working group will complete the following activities:

- Designating a working group leader that is responsible for reporting to the broader APP3 group and can provide readouts during monthly meetings
- Creating a meeting schedule for the working group
- Incorporating principles of diversity, equity, inclusion, and accessibility (e.g., simultaneous interpretation) into working group activities
- Generating concrete deliverables for the action package, such as:
  - Holding an interactive event (e.g., workshop, tabletop exercise, seminar, etc.)
  - Producing written product(s) (e.g., journal publication, one-pager, etc.)
  - Brainstorming speakers that pertain to the specific working group that could present at a monthly APP3 meeting or larger GHSA meetings
- Coordinating and collaborating with other GHSA APs where relevant and possible, including developing joint events or written products
- Completing an end-of-year report on activities and accomplishments



## 2023 APP3 Members

### 2023 GHSA APP3 Leadership

- Aaron Jay, United States
- Jennyfer Ambe, Global Health Security Agenda Consortium

### GHSA APP3 Coordinator Support – NTI | bio

- Jacob Eckles
- Gabby Essix

### Participating Countries

Argentina, Australia, Azerbaijan, Bangladesh, Barbados, Belize, Canada, Cape Verde, Denmark, El Salvador, Finland, Germany, Ghana, India, Indonesia, Jordan, Kenya, Mali, Malaysia, Netherlands, Nigeria, Peru, Portugal, Republic of Korea, Saudi Arabia, Singapore, Spain, South Africa, Tanzania, Thailand, Uganda, United Kingdom, Ukraine, United States of America

### Civil Society, Regional, and International Organizations

- International Organizations: Biological and Toxins Weapons Convention Implementation Support Unit (BTWC ISU), Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO), International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA), International Criminal Police Organization (INTERPOL), United Nations Interregional Crime and Justice Research Institute (UNICRI), United Nations Office of Disarmament Affairs (UNODA 1540), World Health Organization (WHO), World Organisation for Animal Health (WOAH)
- Regional Organizations: Africa Centres for Disease Control and Prevention (ACDC), African Society for Laboratory Medicine (ASLM), Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN), Caribbean Public Health Agency (CARPHA), Organization of American States (OAS)
- Civil Society Organizations: Aga Khan University, American Biological Safety Association (ABSA), Arizona State University, Chatham House, CRDF Global, GHSA Consortium, International Experts Groups of Biosafety and Biosecurity Regulators (IEGBBR), International Federation of Biosafety Associations (IFBA), International Genetically Engineered Machine (iGEM), Initiative for Global Security (IGS), Merrick & Company, Next Generation Global Health Security Network (NextGen), Nuclear Threat Initiative (NTI), Stanford University, Verification Research Training and Information Centre (VERTIC)

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