Introduction of AHWP

IMDRF Stakeholder Meeting

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Work plan of AHWP TC working groups



Asian Harmonization Working Party (AHWP)

Working Towards Medical Device Harmonization in Asia

Established as a **non-profit** organization formed in 1996-97.

Its goals are to study and recommend ways to harmonize medical device regulations in the Asian and other regions for establishing harmonized requirements, procedures and standards.

The Working Party is a group of experts from the medical device regulatory authorities and the medical device industry.





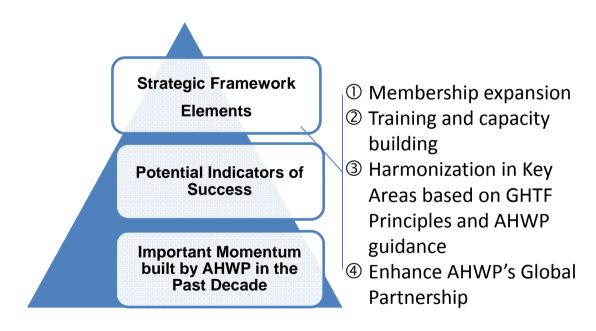
24 Member Economies (as of Jan 2015)



AHWP Strategic Framework towards 2020

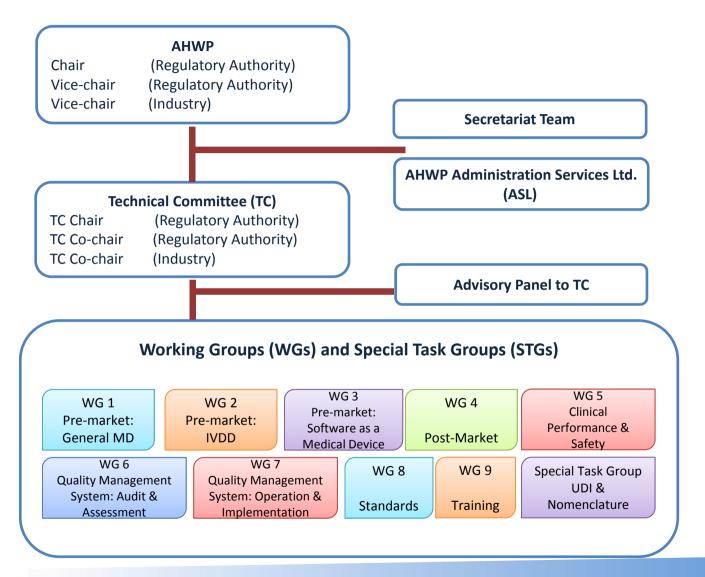
The foreseeable Harmonization Horizon

- AHWP Strategic Framework towards 2020 The Foreseeable Harmonization Horizon
- Adopted in the 18th AHWP Annual Meeting in Malaysia 2013





AHWP Organization Structure





AHWP and AHWP TC Leaders

AHWP Chair	Dr. Hee-Kyo Jeong Director General, Medical Device Evaluation Department, Ministry of Food and Drug Safety(MFDS), Republic of Korea
AHWP Vice-chair (Regulatory Authority)	Mr. Zamane Abdul Rahman Chief Executive, Medical Device Authority, Ministry of Health, Malaysia
AHWP Vice-chair (Industry)	Ms. Quan TRAN Vice President, Regulatory Affairs and Quality Assurance, APAC and Greater China, GE Healthcare Pte Ltd, Singapore
AHWP TC Chair	Mr. Ali M. Al-Dalaan Executive Director, Saudi Food and Drug Authority, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia
AHWP TC Co-chair (Regulatory Authority)	Dr. Jeong-Rim Lee Director, Cardiovascular Devices Division, Ministry of Food and Drug Safety (MFDS), Republic of Korea
AHWP TC Co-chair (Industry)	Mr. Alfred Kwek Regional Director, Government Affairs/HME, Samsung Electronics, Singapore



Collaborations with IMDRF

Towards Future Member of IMDRF



- To IMDRF Working Groups

AHWP participation in IMDRF meetings

- San Francisco, USA, 2014
- Singapore, 2013
- Sydney , Australia, 2013
- Nice, France, 2013
- etc.

Enhancement of AHWP partnership to IMDRF

- Steadfast commitment to the objectives of IMDRF
- Strong engagement and contribution in IMDRF activities



AHWP is an affiliate organization of IMDRF since April 2012

Collaborations with International Organizations



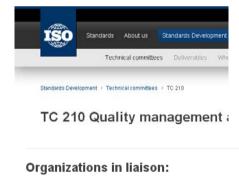
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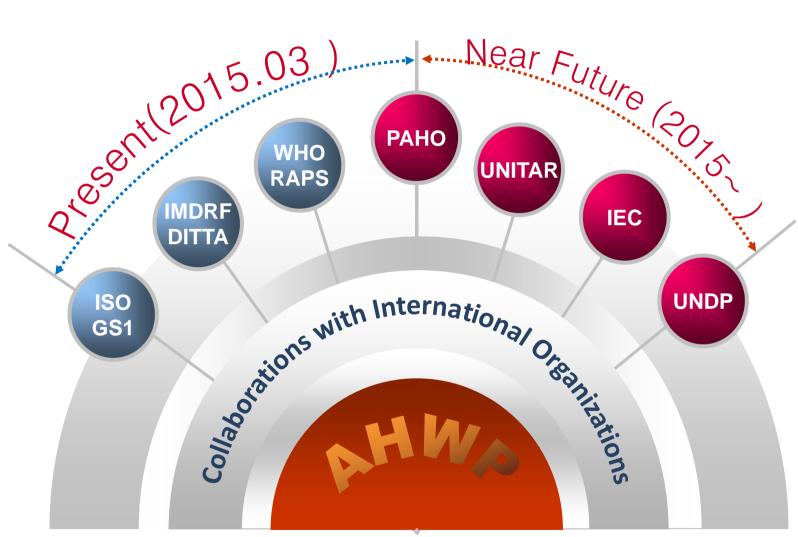
- Collaborations at TC Working Group level, e.g.:
 - ISO 13485/TC210 (QMS) WG7: QMS Audit & Assessment
 - ISO 14155/TC194 (Clinical investigation) WG6: QMS Operation & Implementation
 - Participation of nomenclature work at GMDN, IMDRF and WHO STG: UDI & Nomenclature
 - PAHWP-LSHTM Joint Conference on IVDD on Sep 16, 2013 WG2: Premarket IVDD
- Organization of Joint conference/training workshops at AHWP annual meeting, e.g. (during the past 3 years):
 - AHC-AHWP Joint Workshop, Chinese Taipei, 2012
 - 1st AHWP-RAPS Joint Conference, Malaysia, 2013
 - AHC-AHWP Joint Workshop, Seoul, 2014
 - GS1 lunch Training Workshop, Seoul, 2014
- AHWP Liaison member: DITTA, GS1
- AHWP is an Affiliate Organization to IMDRF
- Leadership's report at WHO meetings



AHWP, DITTA, EDMA, EUCOMED, EUROM, WHO



Collaborations with International Organizations (Cont.)





Highlight of Work Plans of AHWP TC WGs

Work Group	Work Items
WG 1 – Pre-market: General MD	 CSDT (Common Submission Dossier Template) Grouping for pre-market submission Combination products (MD) guidelines
WG 2 – Premarket: IVDD	 IVDD definitions and labeling Classification and conformity assessment Clinical evidence Advertising and promotion
WG 3 – Pre-market: Software as a Medical Device	 Development of AHWP document on MD software qualification and classification Risk Classification of MD software Development of white paper on MD software
WG 4 – Post-market	 Review, update and develop WG 4 guidance documents Conduct survey on post-market status



Highlight of Work Plans of AHWP TC WGs (Cont.)

Work Group	Work Items
WG 5 – Clinical Performance and Safety	 Decide whether or not to adopt GCP standards Establish appropriate AHWP guidelines on clinical performance/safety
WG 6 – Quality Management System: Audit & Assessment	 Activate audit training programs Finalize the official auditing guidance for distributors Develop auditing of SMEs
WG 7 – Quality Management System: Operation & Implementation	 Practical adoption of WG 7 guidance documents Promote voice of AHWP in the development of ISO standards and IMDRF guidance documents Develop feedback mechanism to the work of WG 7
WG 8 – Standards	 Develop guidance documents on roles and application of standards Awareness presentation on GHTF-SGI-n044 and pilot standard



Highlight of Work Plans of AHWP TC WGs (Cont.)

Work Group	Work Items
WG 9 – Training	 Develop gap analysis and training plans to fit economies' needs Develop trainer team locally in each economy
STG – Special Task Group on UDI & Nomenclature	 Promote and monitor the development of nomenclature Promote and monitor the development of UDI



Thank You

