



World Health
Organization

COVID-19 Intra-Action Review (IAR)

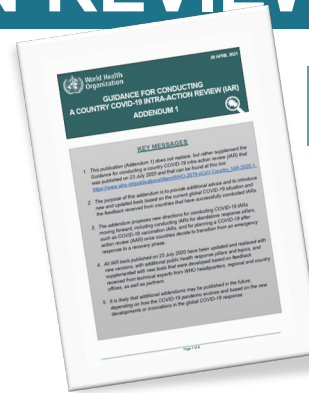
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COVID-19 INTRA-ACTION REVIEWS

4TH & 5TH EC IHR MEETINGS

- **31 July & 31 Oct 20** - **IAR issued as a temporary recommendation to State Parties and advice to the WHO Secretariat**



PUBLISHED GUIDANCE & TOOLS

- **28 April 21** - **Addendum 1 to the Guidance & additional tools (ENG)**

ADVOCACY & TRAINING

- **14 Dec 20** - **OpenWHO course (ENG)**
- **15 May 21** - **OpenWHO course** available in 5 UN languages + Portuguese

HIGH-LEVEL ENGAGEMENT

- **4 Nov 20** - **Ask the Expert session**
- **6 Nov 20** - **DG press conference**

PUBLISHED GUIDANCE & TOOLS

- **23 July 20** - **Guidance for conducting a Country COVID-19 IAR and 10 tools** available in six UN languages + Portuguese.



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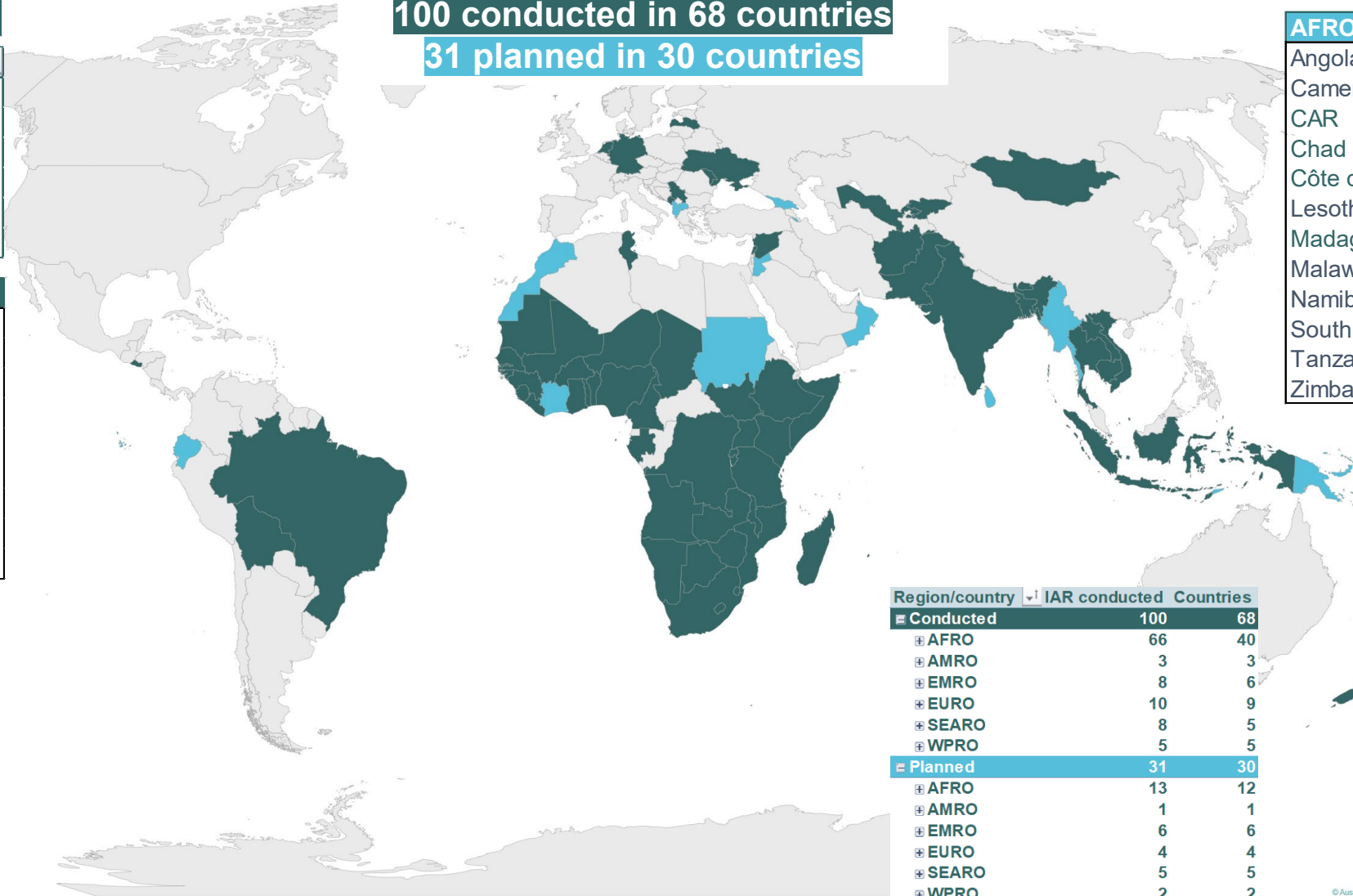
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COVID-19 Intra-action Reviews

100 conducted in 68 countries

31 planned in 30 countries



- AFRO
- Angola
- Benin
- Botswana
- Burkina Faso
- Burundi
- Cameroon
- Chad
- Congo
- DRC
- Eswatini
- Ethiopia
- Gabon
- Gambia
- Ghana
- Guinea
- Guinea-Bissau
- Kenya
- Lesotho
- Liberia
- Madagascar
- Malawi
- Mali
- Mauritania
- Mauritius
- Mozambique
- Namibia
- Niger
- Nigeria
- Rwanda
- Sao Tome and Principe
- Senegal
- Seychelles
- Sierra Leone
- South Africa
- South Sudan
- Tanzania
- Togo
- Uganda
- Zambia
- Zimbabwe

- AMRO
- Brazil
- Bolivia
- El Salvador

- EMRO
- Afghanistan
- Lebanon
- Pakistan
- Somalia
- Syria
- Tunisia

- EURO
- Germany
- Kosovo
- Kyrgyzstan
- Latvia
- Moldova
- Montenegro
- Netherlands
- Ukraine
- Uzbekistan

- SEARO
- Bangladesh
- Bhutan
- India
- Indonesia
- Thailand

- WPRO
- Cambodia
- Lao PDR
- Mongolia
- New Zealand
- Viet Nam

- AFRO
- Angola
- Cameroon
- CAR
- Chad
- Côte d'Ivoire
- Lesotho
- Madagascar
- Malawi
- Namibia
- South Africa
- Tanzania
- Zimbabwe

- AMRO
- Ecuador

- EMRO
- Jordan
- Lebanon
- Oman
- Sudan
- Tunisia
- Morocco

- EURO
- Albania
- Azerbaijan
- Georgia
- North Macedonia

- SEARO
- India
- Maldives
- Myanmar
- Sri Lanka
- Timor-Leste

- WPRO
- New Zealand
- Papua New Guinea

Region/country	IAR conducted	Countries
Conducted	100	68
+ AFRO	66	40
+ AMRO	3	3
+ EMRO	8	6
+ EURO	10	9
+ SEARO	8	5
+ WPRO	5	5
Planned	31	30
+ AFRO	13	12
+ AMRO	1	1
+ EMRO	6	6
+ EURO	4	4
+ SEARO	5	5
+ WPRO	2	2

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COVID-19 IAR - CURRENT PILLARS



1. Country-level coordination, planning and monitoring



2. Risk communication, community engagement and infodemic management



3. Surveillance, case investigation and contact tracing



4. Points of entry



5. National laboratory system



6. Infection prevention and control



7. Case management and knowledge sharing



8. Operational support and logistics in supply chain and workforce resilience



9. Strengthening essential health services



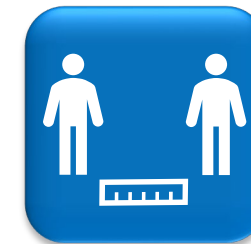
10. COVID-19 vaccination **(NEW)**



11. Vulnerable and marginalized populations **(NEW)**



12. National legislation and financing **(NEW)**



13. Public health and social measures **(NEW)**



14. Other possible topics and cross-cutting issues



INTRA-ACTION REVIEW (IAR) BUILDING BLOCKS





Key Lessons from Intra-Action Reviews



STRONG LEADERSHIP

Active engagement and full commitment of **senior national leadership** is essential for prompt actions and **decision-making**



SUSTAINABLE FINANCING

Predictable and flexible resources are required for **robust preparedness strengthening**



FOCUS ON CRITICAL GAPS

Strengthening the **most limited capacities** and focusing on the **most vulnerable communities** must be a priority for preparedness



MULTI-SECTORAL COOPERATION

A **whole of society approach** involving all sectors including **public-private partnership, academia, civil society** is needed



FLEXIBILITY AND ADAPTABILITY IN SYSTEMS

Adapting and repurposing existing systems, guidelines, and human resources is needed to **enable efficiency in preparedness**



SPEED

Early activation of coordination systems and incident management structures can **limit the spread of outbreaks like COVID-19**



AVAILABLE RESOURCES

IAR Guidance and Tools



https://www.who.int/publications/i/item/WHO-2019-nCoV-Country_IAR-2020.1

IAR guidance and tools (version 1.0) are available in all six UN languages (Arabic, Chinese, English, French, Russian, Spanish) + Portuguese

IAR addendum and updated and additional tools (version 2.0) are currently in English but will be available in all six UN languages and Portuguese soon!

Mini-cPIE (COVID-19 vaccination IAR) specific tools



<https://www.who.int/tools/covid-19-vaccine-introduction-toolkit#Evaluation%20of%20COVID-19%20vaccine%20introduction>

OpenWHO IAR online course



<https://openwho.org/courses/covid-19-intra-action-review-en/>

Available in Arabic, English, French, Russian, Spanish and Portuguese!



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