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## STSM Report on Impact Evaluation

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### 1. Purpose of the visit

As a member of Working Group 1, I have been assigned the task of contributing in the drafting of the handbook with a part on "Impact Evaluation" (IE). To be able to accomplish my task at the highest standard, I wanted to gain a deeper understanding on the respective field. For this reason, I spent two weeks at the French Agency for Development (AFD) in Paris and collaborated mainly with the Health and Social Protection Unit, as well as with the Evaluation and Knowledge Capitalization Unit.

### 2. Description of the work carried out

- On IE: I had the chance to meet in person and discuss in detail with people conducting IEs in different contexts and for various projects (e.g. vaccination programs, development projects).
- I further collaborated with the Health Division and conducted a literature review on the link between climate change and infectious (human and animal) disease emergence. This review is part of a document that will be used to support financing a new One Health project in Indian Ocean / Commission de l'Océan Indien (Surveillance, FETP, laboratory capacities...).

### 3. Description of the main results obtained

- I discussed about IE with experienced professionals (i.e. V. Brown, MSF; A. Morain, Epiconcept; Fl. Bedecarrats, AFD) who shared with me their experience and provided me with useful practical information, as well as literature. It was very interesting to meet with them, as they were working on different types of projects (e.g. from IE of vaccination campaigns to IE of a project investigating the importance of uninterrupted piped water supplies to health outcomes) and could

share with me experiences from different points of view. I gained a deep insight into how IEs are conducted in practice, how often and which are the main challenges when doing (or intending to do) one.

- The literature review was completed and a first draft was produced during the STSM.

#### 4. Future collaboration with host institution (if applicable)

- Pierre Salignon and I will continue the collaboration regarding the finalization of the document on climate-infectious disease emergence.
- The people working on IE are all willing to provide more information if needed.

#### 5. Projected publications resulting or anticipated to result from the STSM

- "Impact Evaluation", i.e. the respective chapter in the NEOH handbook. This experience helped me refine and complete this chapter (work in progress, soon to be provided).
- Literature review on climate – infectious diseases emergence.

#### 6. Confirmation by the host of the successful execution of the mission

The STSM was carried out as planned and has significantly progressed the writing of the respective NEOH handbook sub-chapter. Additionally, a literature review was performed on a One Health topic (ie the link between climate change and infectious disease transmission). The review will be used to support financing a new One Health project in the Indian Ocean. Marilena's visit at AFD was also successful in meetings and discussions with colleagues working in relevant fields.

#### 7. Financial summary

Expenses	Total expenses (€)	% covered by NEOH grant (€)
Travel	500 €	80% (400 €)
Accommodation	1240 €	69% (850 €)
Consumables (meals)	900€	83% (750 €)
<b>Total</b>	<b>2640 €</b>	<b>76% (2000 €)</b>

#### 8. Other comments (if any)

Note:

Successful applicants are required to submit the signed report to the MC Chair (Barbara Häesler, [bhaesler@rvc.ac.uk](mailto:bhaesler@rvc.ac.uk)) and STSM coordinator (Liza Rosenbaum Nielsen, [liza@sund.ku.dk](mailto:liza@sund.ku.dk)) within 1 month after the STSM visit. No payment will be made from the COST Office until this report is submitted.



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