

International Alliance against Health Risks in Wildlife Trade: Launch Event

Preliminary Agenda Room: Raum H-9 B-11 Callelongue;

Time: September 6th, 2021, 16:15-17:45 hrs.

Main messages for the launch:

- The Alliance is set up as (a) **interdisciplinary** (incl. all One Health dimensions, specifically bridging biodiversity with human and animal health perspectives), (b) **international** (including both “Global North” und “Global South”, i.e. both more regulated consumer/donor countries and LMIC/ source countries with often high biodiversity and less regulation) and (c) **inclusive** (including traditional indigenous and local knowledge and ways of living with wildlife) **multi-stakeholder platform**. This is its USP in the currently “busy space” of various parallel initiatives to prevent further spillovers.
- **Now** is high time, to urgently move forward on this topic, garnering all knowledge and evidence available to improve awareness and relevant regulation and practice (complementary to other activities).
- Solutions are **available**; i.e. small steps towards understanding better and handling differently the value chain of wildlife and its products can substantially reduce health risks. Pilots must be tested and disseminated. The Alliance can help in doing that.
- Get **engaged** – we need you.

Time	Input (<i>working titles</i>)
16:15	Start
5'	Welcome (Facilitator Constanze Riedle, GIZ, Head of Programme), <i>onsite</i>
5'	<i>Introduction/ Setting the Scene</i> : Dr. Maria Flachsbarth (BMZ, State Secretary), <i>video message</i>
5'	<i>German environmental focus</i> : Jochen Flachsbarth (BMU, State Secretary), <i>onsite</i>
16:30h 10'	<i>The Alliance – Specific Focus and Goals</i> : Madhu Rao (Wildlife Conservation Society, Senior Advisor and Representative Singapore), <i>onsite</i>
6'	<i>Why the Alliance matters</i> : Alliance members from around the globe, <i>video messages</i>
16:50h 10'	<i>Keynote speech und symbolic launch of the Alliance</i> : B. Oberle (IUCN, Director General)
17:00h 10'	<i>Work within the Alliance, example from one member</i> : Dr. Renzo Guinto (Planetary and Global Health Program, St. Luke's Medical Center, Director; and Planetary Health Philippines, Convener), <i>online</i>
ca. 30'	Q & A Session with attendees, <i>onsite and online</i>
17:45	End