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EXPECTATIONS WITH REGARDS TO THE UPCOMING EVALUATION OF WIV-ISP.

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RATIONALE I

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- ▶ Mission and organisation of WIV-ISP has changed in function of crises and new developments
 - ▶ 19th Century : Jenner/Pasteur/Koch : new principles microbiology, vaccinology, hygiene.
 - ▶ 1897 : “Health Service” at World’s Fair in Brussels & risk cholera outbreak : creation of a “Health Service”, successively transformed in “Central Laboratory for Hygiene” (1904) and “Institute of Hygiene and Epidemiology (IHE)” (1951).
 - ▶ 1900 : creation Pasteur Institute of Brabant : research & treatment infections/production vaccines.
 - ▶ Increased responsibilities of Public Health : further functions added : food inspection (1920), pharmaceutical inspection (1929), virology, physics, vaccines, meat technology (1946), environment(1975), epidemiology (1976).

RATIONALE II

- ▶ Mission and organisation of WIV-ISP has changed in function of crises and new developments
 - ▶ 1968 : public health needs scientific approach > transformation as a federal scientific institute.
 - ▶ 1997 : financial problems Pasteur Institute > merger with IHE and new name :WIV-ISP.
 - ▶ 2005 : need to introduce management principles – organisation business process re-engineering (BPR) and implementation new organisation chart.
 - ▶ 2016 : introduction of management contracts for federal scientific institutes and installation of veterinary and medical health institute on one campus with shared services by 2010.
- ▶ IANPHI Peer-to-Peer evaluation initiative can help us in this next step !!

OBJECTIVES

- ▶ 10 years after BPR : need to evaluate the pertinence/relevance of the changes and improve the current activities/structure, e.g. :
 - ▶ Organisation by discipline (chemical hazards, infectious diseases, epidemiology, quality) or rather evolution to thematic approach.
 - ▶ Separate reference laboratories or collaboration with common specialised platforms (molecular biology, bioinformatics, mass spectrometry, ...) or shared services with veterinary institute (CODA-CERVA).
 - ▶ New developments : improve datamanagement and analysis, implement bio-informatics, human genomics and proteomics, monitoring of environmental hazards.
- ▶ Prioritisation of activities > manage 20% public funding cuts; increase visibility.
- ▶ Further state reform : position WIV-ISP as an interfederal institute : strengthen collaboration with federal and federalised key stakeholders.
- ▶ Strengthen participation in European or international research projects.

EXPECTATIONS AS NPHI

- ▶ Opportunity to discuss common issues with a multifunctional/multicultural team of peers and obtain their advice.
- ▶ Independent view allows rapid identification of possible gaps and areas for development and improvement.
- ▶ Which activities are still pertinent or could be withdrawn or transferred to strengthen the position of WVIV-ISP (stakeholders/public).
- ▶ New opportunities for the future, suggestions for European/international collaboration.
- ▶ How to improve communication and image : main areas of interest.
- ▶ Suggestions how to implement recommendations and to use resources better.

BENEFITS FOR IANPHI

- ▶ WIV-ISP evaluation may serve as a pilot study :
 - ▶ How to improve further the evaluation tool/questionnaire and work processes;
 - ▶ test the feasibility of the peer-to-peer evaluation with a limited team;
 - ▶ improve the composition of the evaluation teams;
 - ▶ evaluate the real impact of the evaluation process on the progression of the NPHI.
- ▶ Identification of best practices in existing institutes and share with others.
- ▶ Exchange of lessons learned : prioritisation process, internal processes, relations with authorities, communication, etc.
- ▶ Identification of common interests and development of networks.
- ▶ Improve international collaboration.

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