

Beijing, 25 July 2014

To All ASEM SOM Leaders

Subject: ASEM Workshop on Public Health Emergency Management

Dear Colleagues,

I take great pleasure to extend the invitation to all ASEM partners to participate in the ASEM Workshop on Public Health Emergency Management, which will be held in Beijing, China on 10-13 September 2014.

This workshop was approved at the 31st ASEM Board of Governors Meeting in November 2013. The Workshop will provide opportunities for knowledge, experiences and best practice sharing on public health management which aims to promote cooperation and coordination among ASEM members to better prevent, prepare for and respond to public health emergencies.

Around 60 participants are expected to engage in interactive discussions with prominent experts from the World Health Organization (WHO) and national institutions for disease prevention and control on various aspects of public health emergency management, such as surveillance, risk assessment, response, post-event evaluation and improvement, and response to infectious diseases and natural disasters.

The Workshop is organized by the Chinese Center for Disease Control and Prevention (China CDC) in partnership with Asia-Europe Foundation, and sponsored by National Health and Family Planning Commission of China (NHFPC) and Ministry of Foreign Affairs of China.

Attached are Concept Paper, Tentative Agenda, Administrative Circular and Registration Form. It would be highly appreciated if you could recommend 1-2 representatives (officials, experts or professionals specialized in public health management) to attend the workshop. Please kindly confirm and return the Registration Form by 8 August 2014.

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Please kindly note that participants need to be responsible for their own travel and accommodation cost during their stay. The host will provide for the meals and local transportation for the field trip as indicated in the programme.

Should you have any further inquiry, please don't hesitate to contact our liaison officer Ms Hongying Zhu, either through email (asem@mfa.gov.cn) or telephone (0086-10-65963146).

I look forward to hearing from you soon.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of stylized Chinese characters '张小康' (Zhang Xiaokang).

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