

Quadripartite launches new platform to tackle AMR threat to human, animal health

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To redouble collective efforts to save millions of lives and preserve the efficacy of antimicrobials for current and future generations by using them sustainably

The Antimicrobial Resistance (AMR) Multi-Stakeholder Partnership Platform has been launched to ensure the growing threats and impacts of antimicrobial resistance are addressed globally.

The Food and Agriculture Organisation of the United Nations (FAO), the UN Environment Programme (UNEP), the World Health Organisation (WHO) and the World Organisation for Animal Health (WOAH), known as the Quadripartite are joining forces on this initiative to underscore the threat AMR presents to humans, animals, plants, ecosystems and livelihoods.

An estimated 1.3 million people around the world die each year directly due to bacterial antimicrobial resistance (AMR). If no action is taken, that number could soar dramatically, bringing higher public health costs and pushing more people into poverty, especially in low-income countries, underscoring the need for the Platform to mobilise further coordinated efforts.

The new Antimicrobial Resistance Multi-Stakeholder Partnership Platform is an inclusive and international forum bringing together voices from all areas, sectors and perspectives through a holistic and system-wide One Health approach, for a shared vision responding to the need to improve coordination of efforts by a large number of stakeholders.

The new platform will engage and empower stakeholders across the One Health spectrum in an inclusive, transparent way to build consensus among public and private stakeholders on the global AMR vision, gain knowledge to foster a collective understanding of AMR challenges and opportunities, and take multi-stakeholder actions to contain, combat and reverse AMR in line with the Global Action Plan and National Action Plans.