

FEEDBACK

6TH ANNUAL RBM MULTI-SECTORAL WORKING GROUP MEETING 18-20 April 2024 in Kigali, Rwanda

THANK YOU

We extend our gratitude to everyone who participated in the online feedback for the 6th MSWG annual meeting in Kigali, Rwanda. Out of 77 participants, 25 individuals (32.5%) provided insightful responses, which are summarized below. Overall, the meeting received positive feedback.

Regarding the results of the feedback survey, five-star satisfaction ratings are regarded as very satisfied, somewhat satisfied (4 stars), neither satisfied nor dissatisfied (3 stars), somewhat dissatisfied (2 stars) and very dissatisfied (1 star). In the survey, ratings of 4 & 5 stars are denoted as "satisfied".

DATES & VENUE

Respondents expressed satisfaction with the date and timing (88%), duration of the meeting (92%), location (72%), and meeting room (64%) (see *Figure 1*).

Additionally, respondents were satisfied with the catering and meals (64%) and transportation to and from the hotel (76%). However, only 48% were pleased with the sound and audio quality inside the meeting room. Look at *Figure 1*.

ORGANIZATION, AGENDA & SPEAKERS

Respondents were highly satisfied with the registration process via the website (87.5%) and the information provided (100%). All respondents (100%) were pleased with the event website (See *Figure 2*).

Regarding the sessions, all respondents (100%) were satisfied with the session themes, 86.4% with the quality of the sessions, and 90.9% with the number of sessions. Additionally, 95.4% of respondents were pleased with the quality of the speakers. See *Figure 3*.

Detailed feedback on the reasons for satisfaction, dissatisfaction, and suggestions for future meetings is described in the following pages.

SESSIONS

Over 89.8% of attendees reported high satisfaction with all sessions, including the Plenary (91%), WS I Urban Context (90.9%), WS II Agriculture (95.5%), WS III The Path-finder (86.4%), WS IV Private Sector (86.4%), WS V Multi-sectoral Messaging (81.9%), the Panel Discussion on Malaria-Smart Funding (86.4%), and the Panel on Human-Made Malaria (100%). Furthermore, 95% of respondents were satisfied with the joint meeting between VCWG and MSWG.

Figure 1: How satisfied are you with the Dates and Venue?

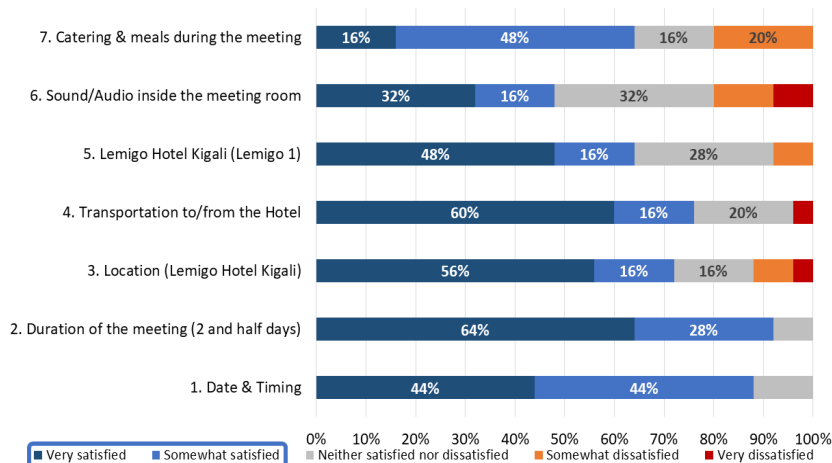


Figure 2: How satisfied are you with the Organization, Theme, Sessions and Speakers?

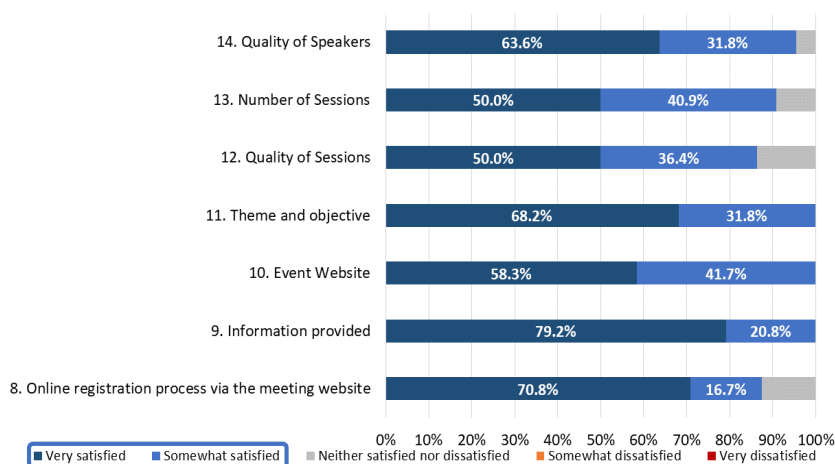


Figure 3: How satisfied are you with each Session?

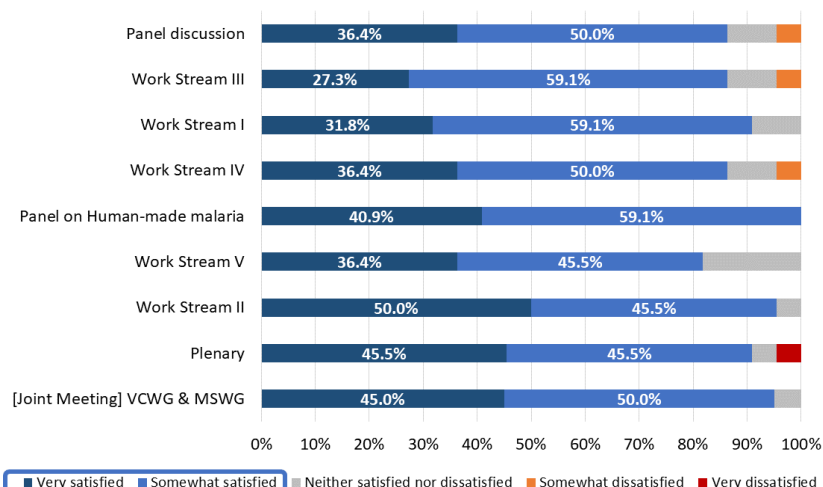


Figure 4: Mostly liked



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The most liked parts of the meeting were 1) Sessions, Contents & Speakers, followed by 2) Stakeholder Engagement & Diversity, 3) Organization, 4) Theme, 5) Meeting Size and Time Management. See Figure 4.

Respondents highlighted the sessions, content, and speakers as the most appreciated aspects of the meeting, with particular praise for the work stream presentations, panel discussions, and keynote speeches. The overall quality of the sessions were also well-received.

The second most liked aspect was stakeholder engagement, particularly the diversity of speakers and participants, including representatives from the private sector. The interactive approach to involving attendees was highly appreciated.

The organization of the meeting also received positive feedback. Participants commended the overall management and expressed satisfaction with the relevance and interest of the themes and topics discussed. Additionally, the meeting size was conducive to interactive discussions, and the breaks were well-timed, allowing attendees to refresh between sessions and network in the outdoor area.

"The organization and selected themes and topics presented were very much relevant to addressing the current malaria control problems."

"We had many sessions which were interactive which gave excellent feedback."

"The diversity of partners and the panel discussions."

"The venue was adequate as it accommodated the number of participants needed"

"Everything was very well explained in the emails."

"La contribution des secteurs privés et la collaboration dans la lutte contre le paludisme."

SUGGESTIONS for NEXT MEETINGS

Agenda, Focus and Speakers

The meeting featured over 25 speakers, around 20 presentations, two panels, and numerous discussions. Several suggestions emerged for future improvements:

- **Broaden Focus:** Place greater emphasis on education and WASH/environment sectors, extending beyond vector control.
- **Relevance of Themes:** Ensure the theme addresses current and pressing issues.
- **World Café Sessions:** Schedule two consecutive World Café sessions to maximize engagement and discussion.
- **Interactive Opportunities:** Incorporate posters and exhibitions to provide new participants and those seeking additional networking opportunities with more ways to interact.
- **Research Presentations:** Include presentations on research findings from other countries to offer valuable insights and examples.
- **Enhanced Q&A Sessions:** Allocate more time for interactive discussions during Q&A sessions to facilitate deeper engagement.
- **Social/Team-Building Activities:** Integrate a social or team-building activity to foster networking and collaboration.
- **VCWG Integration:** Improve integration with the VCWG to enhance collaborative efforts.
- **Field-Based Experiences:** Incorporate more country-based, field-focused experiences and best practices, similar to those shared by the host country.
- **Participant Attraction:** Explore strategies to attract more participants, potentially by using the same venue as VCWG meetings.
- **Workstream Expansion:** Actively recruit and involve a diverse range of sectors, including education, agriculture, health, law enforcement, private organizations, foundations, and pest control, to create a truly multi-sectoral event.

Venue, Date & Organization

We received much positive feedback along with the following suggestions:

- **Ensure Technological Readiness:** Equip the venue with the necessary technology and reliable internet to facilitate effective communication.
- **Share Agenda in Advance:** Provide the workshop agenda to participants at the time of registration for better preparation.
- **Expand Working Group Membership:** Open the Working Group membership to new participants and consider electing new co-chairs to enhance leadership and collaboration.
- **Continue Paperless Approach:** Promote a paperless environment to minimize environmental impact.
- **Enhance Presentation Guidance:** Make the guidelines

for oral presentations clearer and encourage presenters to incorporate a multi-sectoral perspective in their preparation and delivery.

- Provide Translation Services: Offer French translation services during presentations to accommodate all attendees.

Joint Workshop

Most responders view the joint workshop as a valuable opportunity for collaborative efforts towards malaria elimination. Their suggestions include:

- Allocate More Time: The session was too brief, leading to intense discussions that ended without resolution. Extending the duration could foster more conclusive outcomes.

- Continue the Initiative: The workshop was generally productive and should be a recurring event to maintain momentum and progress.
- Enhance Collaboration: Focus on strengthening collaborative efforts to build on the workshop's achievements and drive further success.

Further Suggestions

Providing a summary highlight of the previous meeting's agenda and discussions will help participants understand how ongoing issues related to malaria control and elimination are being systematically addressed. Additionally, including an option such as "I did not attend the session" in the survey would offer more accurate feedback.



MSWG-6 Photos in Kigali 2024

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