

Introduction to policy dialogues: background, purpose, setting the tone



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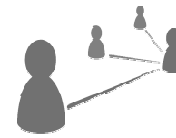
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Project activities: overview

		2017		2018		2019		2020		
		Jan-June	July-Dec	Jan-June	July-Dec	Jan-June	July-Dec	Jan-June	July-Dec	
	Workshops	Kick-off & Curriculum Development 1	Curriculum Development 2	Teaching Material Adjustment 1		Teaching Material Adjustment 2	Review, Evaluation and Adjustment		Final Evaluation and Curriculum Review	
	Short Courses			Health Systems Research and Management	Good Scientific Practice					
	Teaching	We are here 			Cohort 1: TUB teaching		Cohort 2: Co-teaching TUB/KNUST		Cohort 3: KNUST teaching	
					Block I	Block II	Block I	Block II	Block I	
Project Work, Thesis						Cohort 1: Excursion, Project Work, Thesis		Cohort 2: Excursion, Project Work		
	Health Policy Dialogues		I Ghana Health Policy Dialogue		II Ghana Health Policy Dialogue		III Ghana Health Policy Dialogue		IV Ghana Health Policy Dialogue	
	KNUST Staff Consultation			Stakeholder Consultations						

Health Policy Dialogues



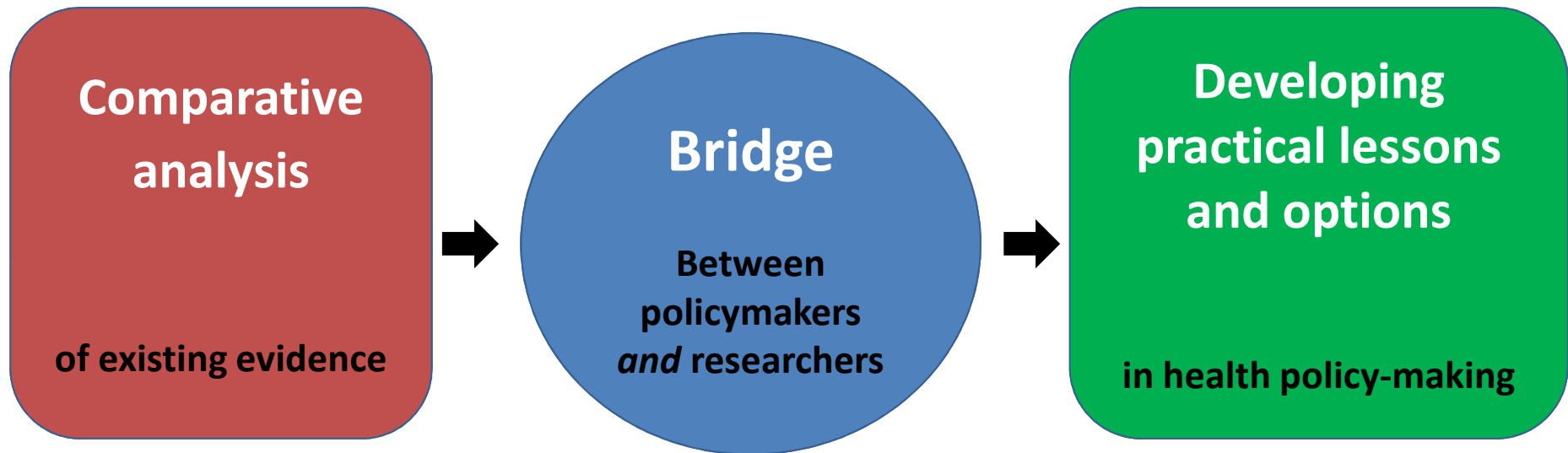
- Introducing a new annual event in Ghana
- First dialogue in Oct 2017
- Aims:
 - Facilitate knowledge translation from research to practice
 - Link health systems researchers and policy-makers
 - Build networks between researchers, policy-makers – and alumni of German universities



Policy dialogues (an idea which we have copied from the European Observatory on Health Systems and Policies)



- Demand-driven
- Neutral (non-prescriptive)
- Informal (Chatham House rules)
- Focused – tailored - targeted
- Implementation-oriented
- Shared ownership



Core Mission: to support and promote
evidence-based health policy-making
informed

The European Observatory is a high-quality knowledge broker based on following principles:

Translate

Reorganise the evidence in a way that appeals to policy makers and in a language they understand

Tailored

to the specific needs of policy makers

Trust

High-quality evidence and a neutral stance recognising the real context and pressures of health systems

Timely

response to policy maker's needs and requests

Policy dialogues in Europe (examples)

- Increasing **choice** of primary health care providers (Finland 2010)
- Reforming **health insurance** (Bulgaria 2010)
- Investing in Europe's health **workforce** of tomorrow (EU Brussels 2010)
- **Public/Private Partnerships** in health care (Bosnia-Herzegovina 2010)
- Alternative **payment systems** for primary health care (France 2010)
- Health professional **mobility** in the EU (Hungary 2011)
- Changing the **hospital payment** system (Bulgaria 2011)
- Pay-for-performance - **P4P** (Norway 2011)
- Rethinking the role of national governments in **decentralised health systems** (Sweden 2012)
- Rethinking the role and **governance of hospitals** (Croatia 2012)
- Moving toward **universal health coverage** (Moldova 2012)
- Introducing **health technology assessment** (Turkey 2012)
- **Pharmaceutical pricing** and reimbursement (Slovak Rep. 2013)
- **Primary care** reform (Austria 2013)
- Improving health care for people with **chronic and long-term conditions** (Sweden 2014)
- Reducing **Avoidable Mortality** in England (England 2014)
- **Regulating and financing health services** (Israel 2014)
- Stimulating **multi-professional delivery** and coordination in primary care (France 2015)
- Developing a **commissioning** model for Ireland's health and social services (Ireland 2015)
- Reducing **waiting times** and managing waiting lists: exploring options and implementation strategies (Italy 2015)

Face-to-face dissemination formats

Seniority of participants



★ **Master programme**

★ **Seminars, Summer Schools**

★ **Workshops**

★ **Evidence briefings**

Policy dialogues



Exploring the topic I

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Idea of this first Policy Dialogue: to test feasibility and interest using 3 important topics

1. Universal Health Coverage
2. Ghana's healthcare budgetary allocations and priority setting
3. Finding sustainable solutions to Ghana's healthcare purchasing mix

Exploring the topic II

