



Fight AMR!

“Save medicines for our children”

COUNTRY LEVEL AMR ACTION

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Just and compassionate quality pharmaceutical services for all

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The Ecumenical Pharmaceutical Network

- Christian Organisation
- Members in over 30 countries, mainly in SSA
- Supports churches and church health systems provide and promote just and compassionate pharmaceutical services
- Involved – among others – in rational use of medicines



AMR workshop Moshi

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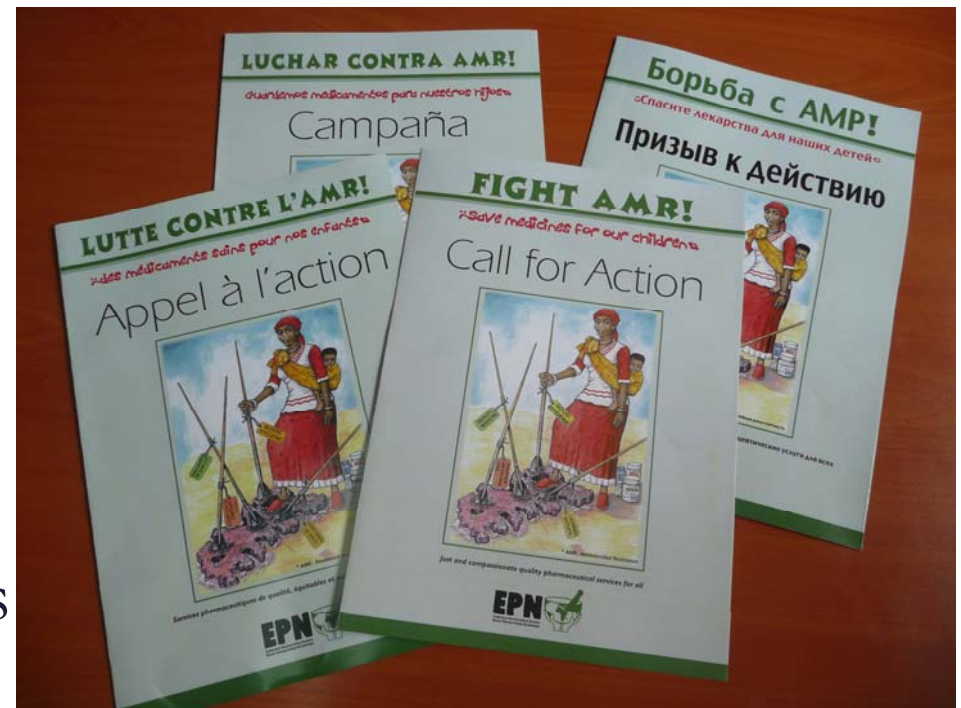


Just and compassionate quality pharmaceutical services for all

- Workshop on AMR in November 2008 in Moshi, Tz
- Brought together experts mainly from member organisations from 16 countries
- Call to action document developed
- Starting point of the campaign

Awareness creation

- Dissemination of call to action document
- Press releases
- Posters, leaflets, articles in relevant journals
- Launch of website
- Scientific symposium
- Public marches
- Media coverage of activities



Activities targeting Health Workers

- Workshops on AMR to sensitize HW
- Operational research and sharing of findings
- Roundtable meeting to empower Drug and Therapeutic Committees



Lome, Togo, May 2009

Activities targeting children



Bricheni, Moldova, May, 2009

- Assessment of awareness among high school children
- Educational programs especially for school and kindergarten children (Moldova)



Why EPN members get involved

- AMR is widespread in Africa and is on the increase.
- Up to 40% of health care in SSA is provided by Faith Based Organisations.
- Despite the WHO Strategy on Containment of AMR (2001) and WHA Resolution 58.27 (2005), irrational use, illicit sale and lack of adherence to antimicrobial treatment is widespread and common.

**IF WE REALLY WANT TO SAVE
MEDICINES FOR OUR CHILDREN
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WE NEED TO ACT NOW**



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THANK YOU!