



**Draft Pre-conference Workshop Programme**  
***Strengthening Research Ecosystems in LMICs through Research Management Competency Development***

Date: Monday, 25 May 2020  
 Time: 11:00 – 18:00  
 Venue: International Conference Center, Hiroshima, Japan

Chairperson: Dr Garry Aslanyan, WHO/TDR and ESSENCE on Health Research initiative

| Time                           | Topic  | Presenter   |
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| 10:30                          | Registration   | SARIMA  |
| 11:00                          | Welcome, Workshop Objectives & Introductions   | Garry Aslanyan, WHO/ Essence & Pamisha Pillay, SARIMA   |
| 11:15                          | Session 1<br>The research manager as a key enabler of research and innovation outputs and impact – overcoming challenges and optimizing opportunities.   | Facilitator: Therina Theron, SARIMA<br>Presentations from travel grant holders from various LMIC regions  |
| <b>12:30 Lunch</b>             |  |   |
| 13:30                          | Session 2<br>Key interventions in RM competency development through professionalisation pathways<br><br>Group Discussion on the relevance and effectiveness of the interventions for research managers in different contexts – charting the way forward<br>1. Higher Education & Research Institutions<br>2. Funding Agencies<br>3. Government Agencies<br>4. Private Sector | Facilitator - TBC<br>Panel Discussion: SARIMA, AAS, INORMS RAAAP Task force representative, etc<br><br>Small group discussions, report back and summary statement |
| <b>16:00 Refreshment break</b> |  |   |



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| 16:30            | Session 3  |  |
|                  | Visualising what an ideal research ecosystem could look like and identifying key targets for LMIC's to progress towards this | <i>Facilitator - TBC</i>   |
| 17:30            | Summary of key messages & Closing remarks  | <i>Pamisha Pillay, SARIMA</i><br><i>Garry Aslanyan, WHO/ Essence</i> |
| <b>18:00 End</b> |  |  |

