

<b>Workshops Title:</b>	<b>Workshop on Quantitative and Qualitative Research Methods for Addressing Inequities and Social Determinants of Health (SDH) in Africa</b>
<b>Dates:</b> a) Arrival: b) Workshop: c) Departure:	12 <sup>th</sup> May 2014 13 <sup>th</sup> -23 <sup>rd</sup> May 2014 23 <sup>rd</sup> /24 <sup>th</sup> May 2014
<b>Venue:</b> a) Hotel: b) City/Country:	Ampomaah Hotel Ltd East Legon, Accra Ghana
<b>Facilitators</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Include faculty from several partners including UMEA University, Sweden, Heidelberg University, Germany, University of Amsterdam, The Netherlands, etc.</li> </ul>
<b>Background</b>	<p>The INTREC (INDEPTH Training and Research Centers of Excellence) is a new professional development program designed for INDEPTH scientists interested in <i>Social Determinants of Health</i> (SDH). This program is a result of collaboration between several international partners, including University of Amsterdam (The Netherlands); Heidelberg University (Germany); Gadjah Mada University (Indonesia); Harvard University (USA), Umea University (Sweden) and INDEPTH Network. With joint forces and expertise, the partners have created a training program for young INDEPTH scientists on SDH that consist of five educational blocks.</p>
<b>Objectives:</b>	<p>This mixed methods regional workshop is the second educational block that provides in-depth training on quantitative and qualitative approaches to studying the SDH. This two-week course aims to demonstrate some main techniques in quantitative and qualitative methods for research on SDH. More specifically, the objectives include to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ensure a better understanding and critically evaluation of the content of scientific articles on SDH</li> <li>• Provide experience in the process of analysing data on SDH</li> <li>• Enhance ability to prepare a writing plan for quantitative analysis (related to the research question from Block 1)</li> <li>• Familiarize with the basic requirements of a qualitative study design such as formulating a research question and planning for sampling and recruitment.</li> <li>• Provide basic skills in different data collection methods (indepth interviews, focus groups, participant observation) in qualitative research</li> <li>• Enhance understanding on the basics of qualitative data analysis and reporting of qualitative studies</li> <li>• To help develop a plan (design and methodology) for a qualitative study</li> </ul>
<b>Expected Outcomes:</b>	<p>Upon successful completion of the workshops the students are expected to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Understand and critically evaluate the content of SDH scientific articles;</li> <li>• Acquired experience in the process of analysing data on SDH;</li> <li>• Be able to prepare in writing a plan for own quantitative analysis (related to a personal research question from Block 1);</li> <li>• Understand the role of qualitative studies in SDH research;</li> <li>• Be familiar with the basic requirements of a qualitative study design.</li> <li>• Have basic skills in different data collection methods (indepth interviews, FGD, participant observation) in qualitative research;</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Understand the basics of qualitative data analysis and reporting of such studies;</li> <li>• Be able to develop a plan (the design and methodology) for a qualitative study</li> </ul>
<b>Proposed style of Workshop</b>	The course will compose of two separate but related closely workshops (Qualitative and Quantitative). The workshop style will consist of lectures, seminar as well as group and/or individual work or assignments.
<b>Expected Participants:</b>	This workshop is strictly restricted to the HDSS nominees who have completed the block 1 (online course) program. Depending on available resources, the Secretariat will fund a max of 19 participants from 13 HDSSs.
<b>Host:</b>	<b>INDEPTH Secretariat in Accra</b>
<b>Key Requirements and deadline:</b>	<p>a) Participants who have successfully completed block 1 (online training) will be selected for funding once registered. Those interested <b>MUST</b> register online by <b>20<sup>th</sup> April 2014</b> at the latest. This will allow for travel arrangements to be made.</p> <p>b) All participants are required to bring along laptops to the workshop.</p>
<b>Travel advisory:</b>	
<p>a) <b>Visas:</b></p> <p>b) <b>Overnight stay</b></p>	<p>a) We will issue out invitation letters to confirmed participants to apply for visas, where applicable. Please inform the Secretariat if you require any assistance.</p> <p>b) For overnight stays, please see travel support below.</p>
<b>Travel Support:</b>	<p>a) The Secretariat will cover the cost of a return economy class ticket from home HDSS location/country to the city where the workshop will be held.</p> <p>b) Reasonably priced <b>non-refundable</b> tickets will be purchased. When you receive a booking you must check to ensure that everything is fine. Once confirmed by you, <b>any changes that will lead to extra cost must be covered by the member centre.</b></p> <p>c) <b>Travel insurance cannot</b> be covered by INDEPTH</p> <p>d) In-country travel from centers to the airport will be covered. Please inform the Secretariat of the cost <b>in advance</b> for approval. Evidence of payment for the travel must be produced.</p> <p>e) Should overnight stay both in-country and while in transit be necessary, please inform the Secretariat before starting the journey so that adequate preparation can be made for reimbursements. Original receipts will be requested by the Secretariat.</p> <p>f) The Secretariat will usually cover accommodation for the workshop days plus half boarding. A modest per diem will be paid for dinner and incidentals. <b>All other services at the hotel</b> (mini bar, telephones, etc) must be paid for directly.</p>
<b>Reimbursements</b>	<p>a) Please bring along to the workshop originals of all expenses incurred for your travel to the workshop.</p> <p>b) To avoid delays, you may scan the receipts and email before starting your journey.</p> <p>c) We prefer to transfer funds to institutions' bank accounts. However, if you have pre-financed the trip privately, we will refund to your personal bank account.</p>
<b>INDEPTH Staff responsible for this workshop</b>	Martin Bangha ( <a href="mailto:martin.bangha@indepth-network.org">martin.bangha@indepth-network.org</a> ), & Beatrice Afari-Yeboah ( <a href="mailto:beatrice.yeboah@indepth-network.org">beatrice.yeboah@indepth-network.org</a> )
<b>Other issues:</b>	Participants may be asked kindly by the Secretariat to bring along information materials from their centers. These may include strategic plans, annual reports, publications and brochures and financial reports on sub-grants.