



National Institute for Public Health
and the Environment
Ministry of Health, Welfare and Sport

CAPSCA Workshop

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What to expect?

- Points of Entry Expert Network Netherlands
 - Lessons Learned Covid-19
 - Objectives
 - Activities
 - Integral planning for preparedness within PoE
 - Align with international developments and networks



Royal Kingdom of the Netherlands

- 18 million inhabitants
- Density: 520 inhabitants /km²
- 12 provinces, 342 municipalities, 25 Municipal Health Services (MHS)
- Caribbean part of the Kingdom of the Netherlands
 - Curaçao, Aruba, St Maarten
 - Bonaire, St Eustatius, Saba



Bonaire, Sint Eustatius, Saba hebben een aparte status binnen Nederland. Zij heten **Caribisch Nederland**. Met de landen Aruba, Curaçao, en Sint Maarten vormen ze het **Caribisch deel van het Koninkrijk**.





Designated Points of Entry in the Netherlands

Port of Rotterdam (A)
Schiphol Airport (A)

Other ports & airports (B)





Lessons Learned Covid

- › Sustain PoE network, including regional and national parties, (air)port and public health authorities
- › Increase capacity and expertise in port regions
- › Incorporate international expertise and trainings
- › Involve regional parties in guideline development and drafting of advice



National plan to strengthen regional and national infectious disease control

Goal 2.3: Strengthened preparedness at Points of Entry

- **Purpose:** Strengthen national and regional infectious disease control at (designated) air and seaports (PoE)



Points of Entry Expert Network

Who:

- › National Institute for Public Health and the Environment (RIVM)
- › Professionals from Municipal Health Services (GGD)
- › The Ministry of Infrastructure and Water Management (IenW)
- › The Ministry of Health (VWS)
- › (Air)port authorities

Where: Meets quarterly (in-person or online)





What?

> 1. PoE Expertise Network

Formalise network to promote knowledge exchange and cooperation

> 2. Guidelines

Develop integrated guidelines for preparedness at PoE on a national and regional level. In line with IHR requirements and ICAO standards

> 3. Education-training-exercise

Develop and implement an integrated education, training and exercise plan for staff of Municipal Health Services (GGD) and at PoE

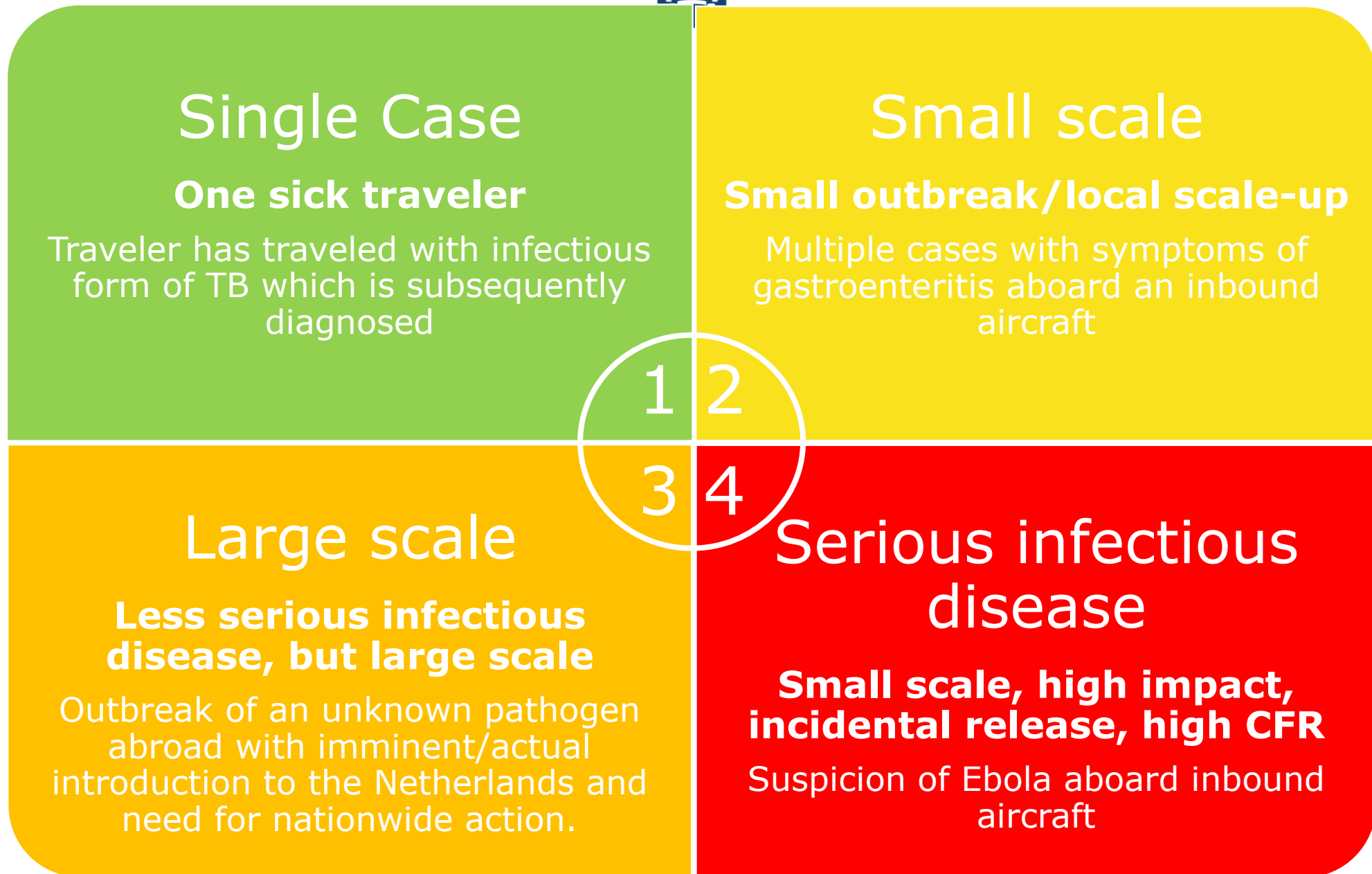
> 4. International developments

Align with international developments and networks.



**Integral planning for
preparedness within PoE**

Revision of the national
emergency plan and regional
contingency plans
- aligned with IHR and ICAO
standards





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Case scenario for the participants of CAPSCA workshop

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- > With the following case, we want to show how we stimulate our Point of Entry network to think about implementing the core capacities of the IHR within their own region.
- > In this way, we stimulate the collaboration between Public Health and the aviation sector in our state.

Scenario not for sharing





Take home question



- > How can we, from the point of view from your sector, prepare for implementing mandatory health checks and monitoring protocols, such as infectious disease screening for returning from high-risk areas?
- > What steps can airports, airlines, and health authorities take to improve the efficiency of these checks without unnecessarily disrupting regular operations?



Align with international developments and networks

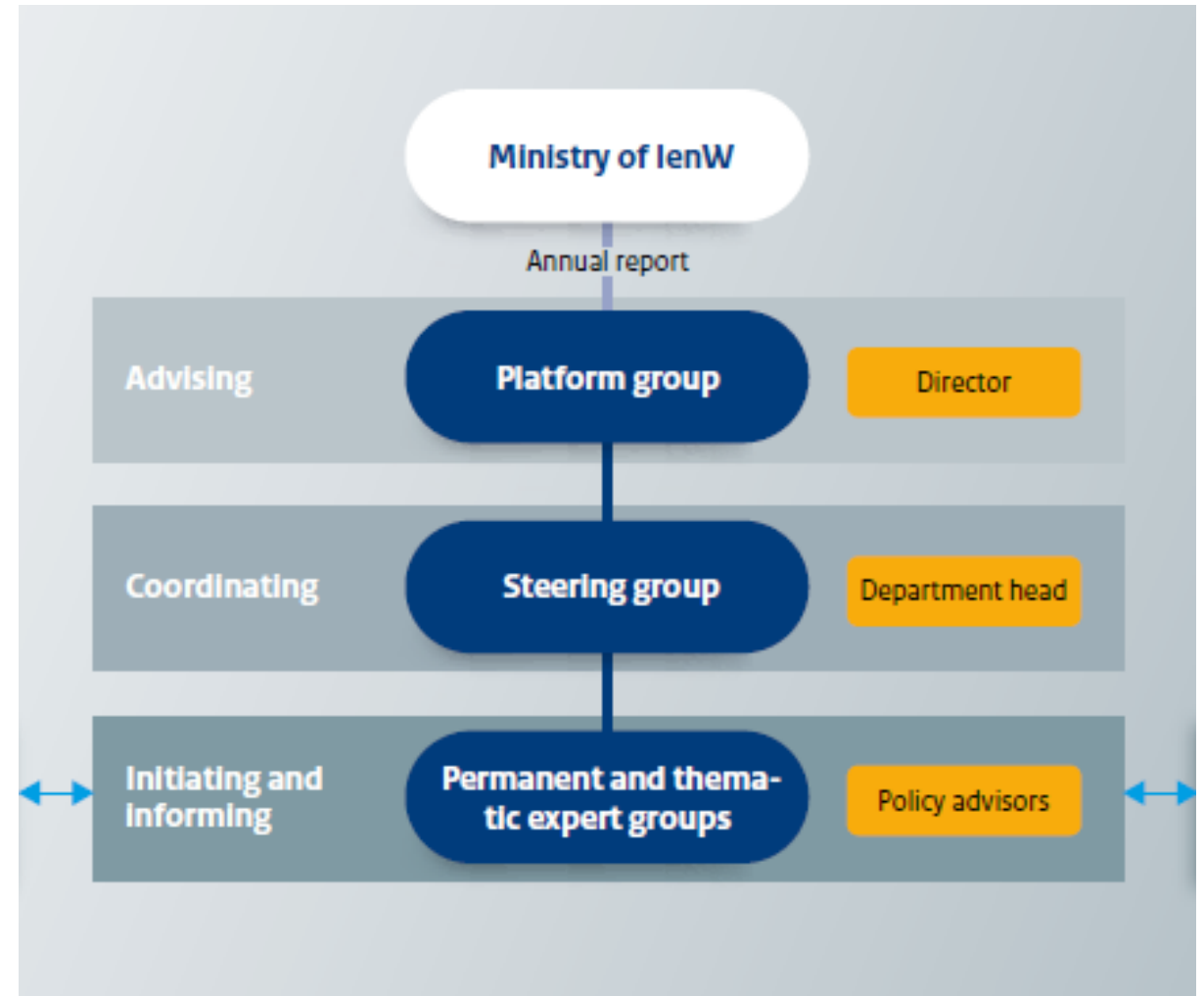
- › Exchange sessions with PoE in partner countries
- › JEE/PHEPA
- › Implementation ICAO standards



PUBLIC HEALTH - AVIATION COOPERATION

ICAO Annex 9 - National Facilitation Committee

- Requirement to establish a National Air Transport Facilitation Committee
- Ministerial Decree - approved by the Council of Ministers
- Public - private cooperation
- Annex 9 - Border, Customs, Health

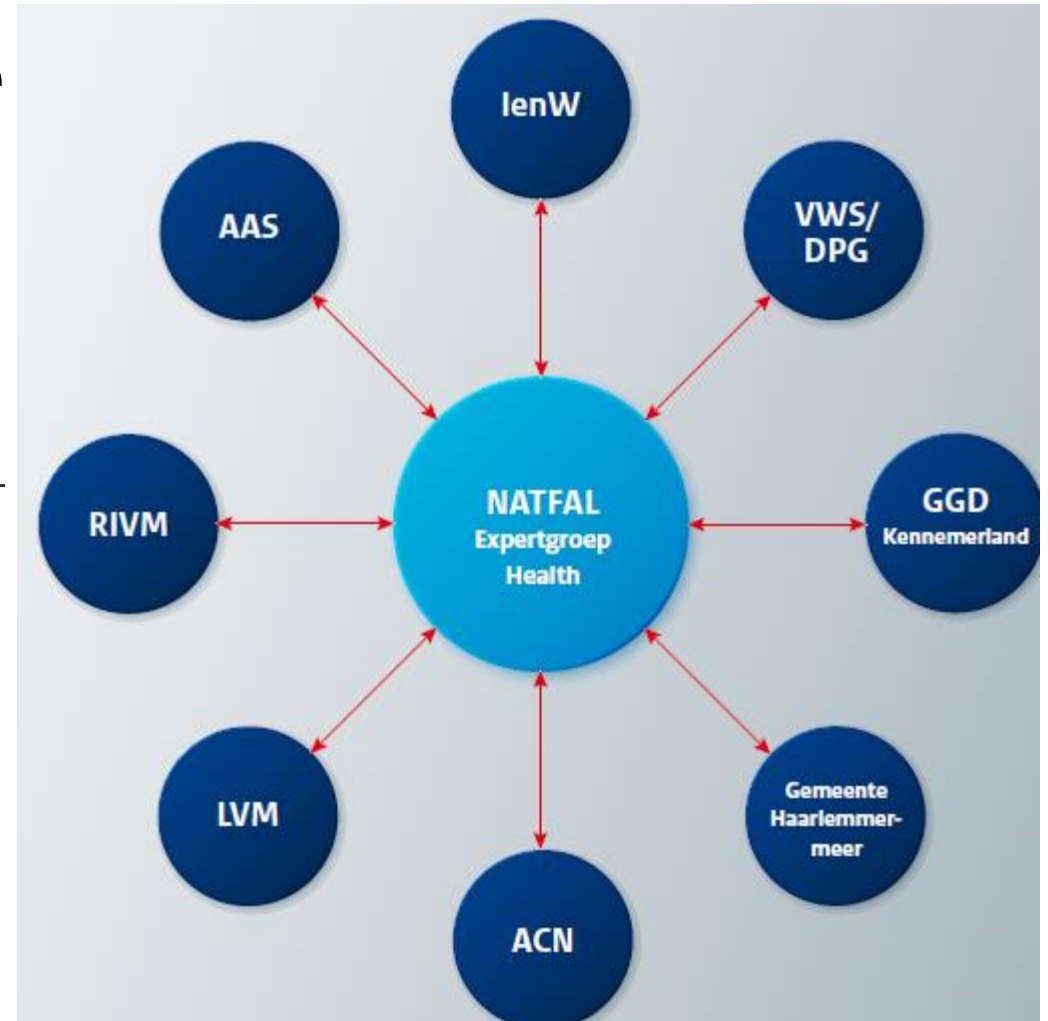




PUBLIC HEALTH - AVIATION COOPERATION

National Facilitation Committee - Expertgoup Health

- Roles and responsibilities of the Expertgroep Health
- Connecting Public Health with the aviation industry - Not self-evident!
- Implementation ICAO Annex 9 Chapter 10 - Health
- Implementation new amendments IHR aviation industry
- Requirement to establish a National Aviation Plan in preparation for an outbreak of a communicable disease





PUBLIC HEALTH - AVIATION COOPERATION

National emergency plan for pandemic preparedness (NEP3)

- Roles and responsibilities of parties involved in the infectious disease outbreaks in civil aviation
- Communication during the crisis phase - WHO/ECDC/National/Regional
- Handbook for aviation crisis coordinators MinlenW
- Updated every year





PUBLIC HEALTH - AVIATION RECENT DEVELOPMENTS

What if we do not cooperate?

- Case: New CDC Regulation Rabiës
- Case: New desinsection regulations Italy for Dengue
- Case: Annex 9 developments protection of airline crew
- Added value of CAPSCA: Schengen Border Code





PUBLIC HEALTH - AVIATION SCHENGEN BORDER CODE

New Schengen Border Code

- 24 May 2024: European Council adopts new version of the Schengen Border Code
- Article 21 - The regulation introduces the possibility to adopt EU-wide measures that restrict the access of third-country nationals to the EU in the event of a large-scale public health emergency.
- Public Health authorities and aviation industry aware?

