# Governance of Dual Use Research in the Life Sciences: Advancing Global Consensus on Research Oversight

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## **Goals of the Meeting**

- Share experiences and better understand the recent & current landscape of dual use governance activities
- Discuss what has worked and not worked, analyze lessons learned, and explore gaps and opportunities
- Identify concrete actions and next steps to fill gaps and take advantage of opportunities – what needs to happen next?
- Aim is strengthen the systems of global governance of life sciences research that raises dual use concerns

# Viewing Governance as a Layered System

Conception and initial planning

**Funding** 

Conduct of Research

Dissemination of Results

Translation (IP, Product Development)

- Across multiple organizations & multiple actors who each make valuable contributions
- A number of foundational efforts underpin governance systems:
  - Principles for governance of dual use research
  - Norms of responsible conduct of research
  - Importance of culture and culture change
  - Outreach, education and training efforts
- Draw on network of networks to connect, collaborate & strengthen the overall system

### **Workshop and Agenda**

- Approx. 70 participants from 30 countries and international organizations
- Hosted at Croatian Academy of Sciences and Arts in June 2018
- Plenary sessions
  - The Nature of Governance; Recent Life Sciences Examples with Dual Use Implications; Examples of Life Science Governance Activities, Outcomes and Lessons; Fostering Change
- Breakout sessions
  - Taking Stock: Where Are We Now?
  - Lessons Learned, Gaps, and Opportunities
  - Looking Ahead: Where Do We Want to Go and How Do We Get There?

#### **Looking Ahead**

- Summary will be published by U.S. National Academies
- Further information in time for the BWC Meeting of States Parties, December



http://nas-sites.org/dels/events/dual-use-governance/

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