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# Explanation of networking exercise

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## Part 1 (each country)

Please complete the information in the whiteboard:

**Experience of the FWD AMR-RefLabCap members regarding organisation of national activities**

Until 10:45 (end of coffee break)

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## Part 2 (in groups)

Identify one **important gap in your national network** - one gap per country

Examples of gaps:

- Some local laboratories do not follow updated recommendations for AST
- The samples that are collected are not enough to ensure representative coverage
- As an NRL (or equivalent), I don't have enough information about the methods being used in local laboratories
- There is no national network for *Campylobacter* and/or *Salmonella*
- There are no national guidelines for screening and/or reporting isolates

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## Part 3 (in groups)

Discuss what **type of activities would be beneficial** to solve the gap in your national networks - **one activity per country**

Examples of activities:

- A virtual workshop with colleagues from 20 local laboratories focusing on best practices for AST of *Campylobacter* (2h + 2h)
- A physical training workshop for colleagues belonging to four national laboratories, focusing on PCR-based identification of *Campylobacter* (1 day)
- A meeting with national stakeholders (e.g. hospital administration, representative from Ministry of Health, etc.) to start designing a strategy for creating national guidelines for screening and/or reporting *Salmonella* (2h + email follow up)
- A national EQA for evaluation of AST of *Salmonella* (4 months)

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## Part 3 (in groups) – cont.

Try to **design a plan for those activities** (if there's no time for all activities, choose one in the group)

- What is the overall topic?
- Who are the relevant participants? How do we identify them? How do we invite them?
- How long does it take?
- What is the agenda?
- Where do we meet? What about the accommodation, transport and meals?
- How long does it take to prepare this activity and who is involved (i.e. what is the institutional workplan)?

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The ideas must be relevant for the **specific situation in your country**.

The members of the groups can (and should) have different ideas.

The members of the groups don't need to choose the same activity to design in detail, but should collaborate with each other to help design their respective activities.

These ideas can be implemented in real life and you can use the tailored support from your FWD AMR-RefLabCap team to further develop them during the priority country meetings.