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Dear Dr Belkania,

**Advanced Course on Health Information and Evidence for Policy Making,
Bohinj, Slovenia, 28 May–1 June 2018**

We would like to inform you that the World Health Organization Regional Office for Europe is planning the above workshop. An outline of the scope and purpose of the course, including a participant profile, is enclosed.

This workshop is taking place as a follow up to the Autumn School on Health Information which was held in Tbilisi, Georgia in October 2017 which was attended by participants from 10 countries of the WHO European Region. It is expected that these participants would now also attend this upcoming Advanced course to receive more in-depth training on selected topics.

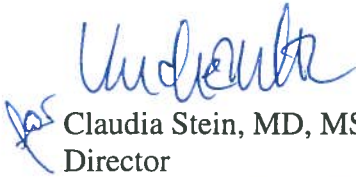
I would be grateful if you could confirm the names of the two participants among those who attended the previous Autumn School to now attend the above-mentioned course in Slovenia. In case these persons no longer serve in the same function, we would invite you to nominate new participants.

The working languages of the workshop will be English. The WHO Regional Office for Europe will manage the technical content and administrative processes of the participants' travel and accommodation. Please note that the Regional Office no longer reimburses visa costs to meeting participants.

I look forward to receiving your reply at your earliest convenience, but latest on **23 March 2018**. We shall then communicate with the workshop participants directly and provide them with the necessary documentation and administrative information. Please address your reply to Tina Dannemann Purnat, acting Programme Manager, Health Information, Monitoring and Analysis (purnatt@who.int).

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for our continuous fruitful collaboration.

Yours very truly,



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Scope and purpose

Provisional agenda

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