



Lusaka Agenda Champion Countries: Concept and Progress

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Outline...

- Champion country concept
- Initial cohort of participating countries
- Terms of Reference
- Ways of working
- Progress and next steps



Champion country concept...

- Mechanism for accelerating and supporting implementation of country roadmaps towards realization of the Lusaka Agenda five shifts.



The initial cohort...



Following the Addis Ababa technical consultation in June 2024, **Central African Republic, Democratic Republic of Congo, Ethiopia, Ghana, Malawi, Mozambique, Senegal and South Sudan**, expressed strong interest in being included among the initial cohort of “**Champion Countries**”

Terms of Reference...

Address policy reforms and priority actions

Engage with regional orgs & WHO country offices

Identify changes and enablers with GHIs

Reinforce govt-led multi-stakeholder partnership platforms

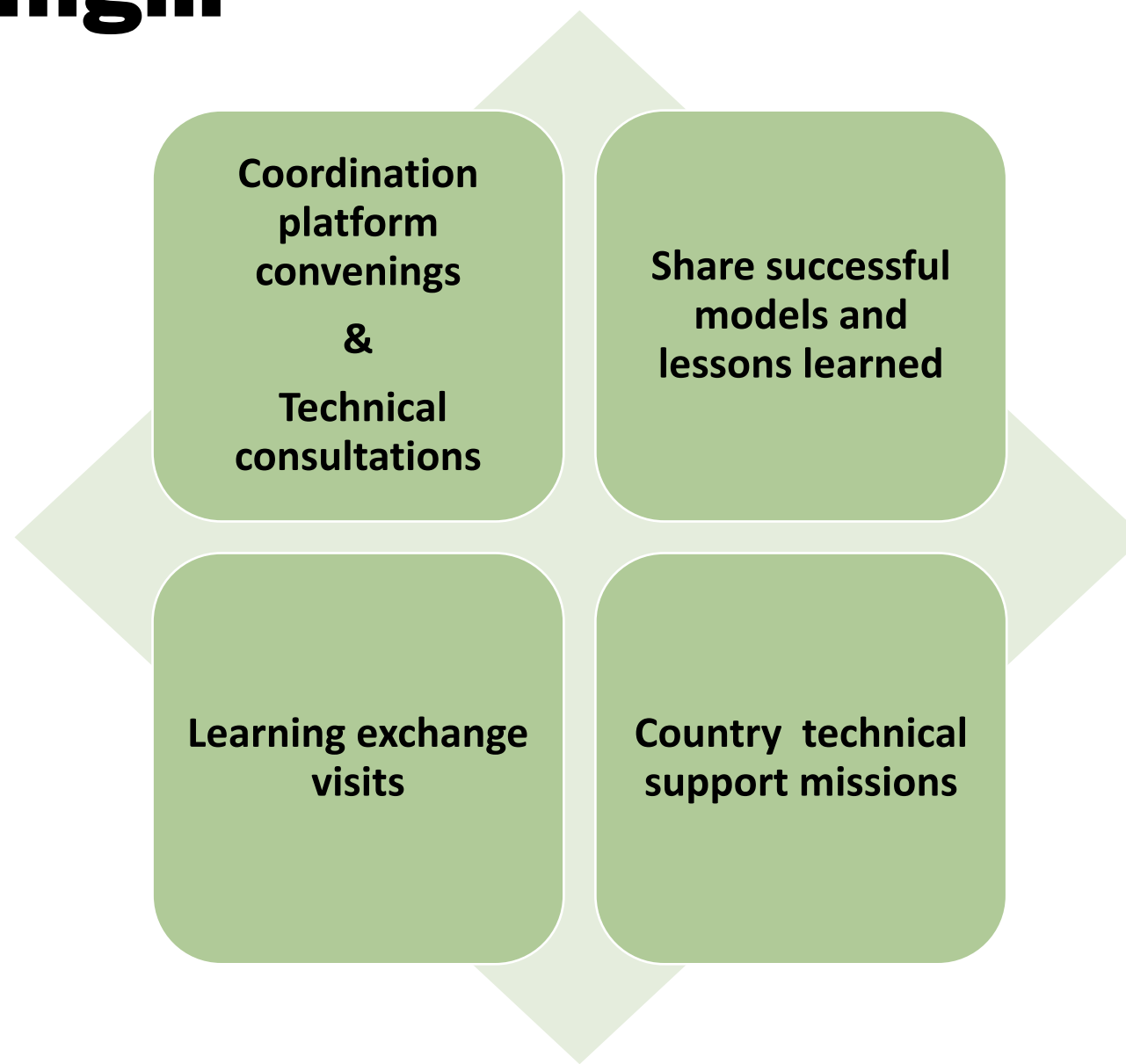
Work with internal and external stakeholders

Document actions and impact

Amplify country leadership and ownership

Use WHO HSS metrics to monitor impact

Ways of working...



Progress and next steps...

Progress

Launch of the Coordination Platform for Champion Countries

Endorsement of Terms of Reference

Coordination meetings held in October, December, February

Lusaka Agenda implementation started with different levels of progress

Next steps

Continue coordination meetings

Learning exchange visits

Development of national plans

Expanding the LACC Forum...

- Call for more countries to join
- Identifying additional mechanisms aligned with country needs

Thank you

