



## **GHS2024 Conference Workshops**

***Day One - Tuesday 18 2024, 1:30pm-3:30pm – Room C3.5***

### **Australian Red Cross – ‘What works?’: Community engagement to strengthen health security**

Red Cross Red Crescent National Societies are uniquely positioned as auxiliary to Government, while also working at the community-level and engaging with populations experiencing greatest vulnerability to support local actions for epidemic preparedness and response. We will draw on global experiences of this programming approach and reflect on success stories to examine the enablers and barriers to effective partnership between Governments and communities for improved health security. Conference delegates will be provided with an opportunity to reflect on their own efforts to engage communities in health security, the enablers and barriers to effective partnerships, contextual considerations, and stories of success. Lessons learned will be documented and shared with attendees to inform strategies to advance government and community partnerships into the future.

#### **Objectives:**

- To facilitate discussion and document examples of successful government - community level partnerships to strengthen health security and strategies for achieving this in your own country context (mapping out standard operating procedures to achieve this).

#### **Target audience:**

All welcome, highly encourage civil society organisations, non-government organisations, policy advisors and Government delegates.