

Annex 1: Sectors and affiliations of the interviewees in the five participating countries

MERS	Health sector	Non-health sector
UK	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Emerging Infections and Zoonoses Infectious Diseases Directorate, Department of Health • Preparedness & Response, Respiratory Diseases Department, Public Health England • News Communications, Public Health England • National Ambulance Resilience Unit • University Tropical and Infectious Disease Unit 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Department for Transportation • Civil Contingencies Secretariat, Cabinet Office • Animal Health and Veterinary Laboratories Agency • Medical Department, Civil Aviation Authority • Border Force Operations • Health and Science Correspondent
Greece	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • National Focal Point for Preparedness, Ministry of Health • National Institute for Public Health (KEELPNO) • National Health Operations Centre, Ministry of Health • Hellenic Society of Travel Medicine • Infectious Disease Physician • Ambulance Services 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Airport Public Health Authority • Aviation Company Representative • Hellenic Civil Aviation Authority • Health Journalist • Ministry of Rural Development and Food • Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Crisis Management Unit
Spain	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Coordinating Centre for Health Alerts and Emergencies, Ministry of Health • Press Office Directorate, Ministry of Health • Foreign Health and Border control, Ministry of Health • Ambulance services in an Autonomous Community • Infectious diseases specialist at University hospital • National Centre for Microbiology • Red Cross 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Animal Health, Ministry of Agriculture • Civil Protection • Ministry of Transport • Ministry of Foreign Affairs • Health Journalist

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<u>Poliomyelitis</u>	Health sector	Non-health sector
Poland	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chief Sanitary Inspectorate • Department of Mother and Child, Ministry of Health • Department of Drug Policy and Pharmacy in the Ministry of Health • National Institute of Public Health • National Commission for the Certification of Poliomyelitis Elimination • Head, hospital ward • Regional laboratory • Consultant in Epidemiology • National Focal Point for the International Health Regulations 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ministry of Foreign Affairs • Ministry of the Interior • Border Guard • Journalist
Cyprus	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • National Focal Point for Preparedness • Virology laboratory • National Certification Committee for Poliomyelitis Elimination • Government Immunization Centre, Hospital • Central Pharmacy • Infectious Disease physician • Ministry of Health planner • Cyprus Paediatric Society • Red Cross 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Refugee center • Ministry of Foreign Affairs • Ministry of Justice – police/border control • Health journalist