

**Anticipating Biosecurity Challenges of the Global Expansion
of High Containment Biological Laboratories**
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**Sustaining
Regional & National Biosafety Associations
Challenges & Considerations**

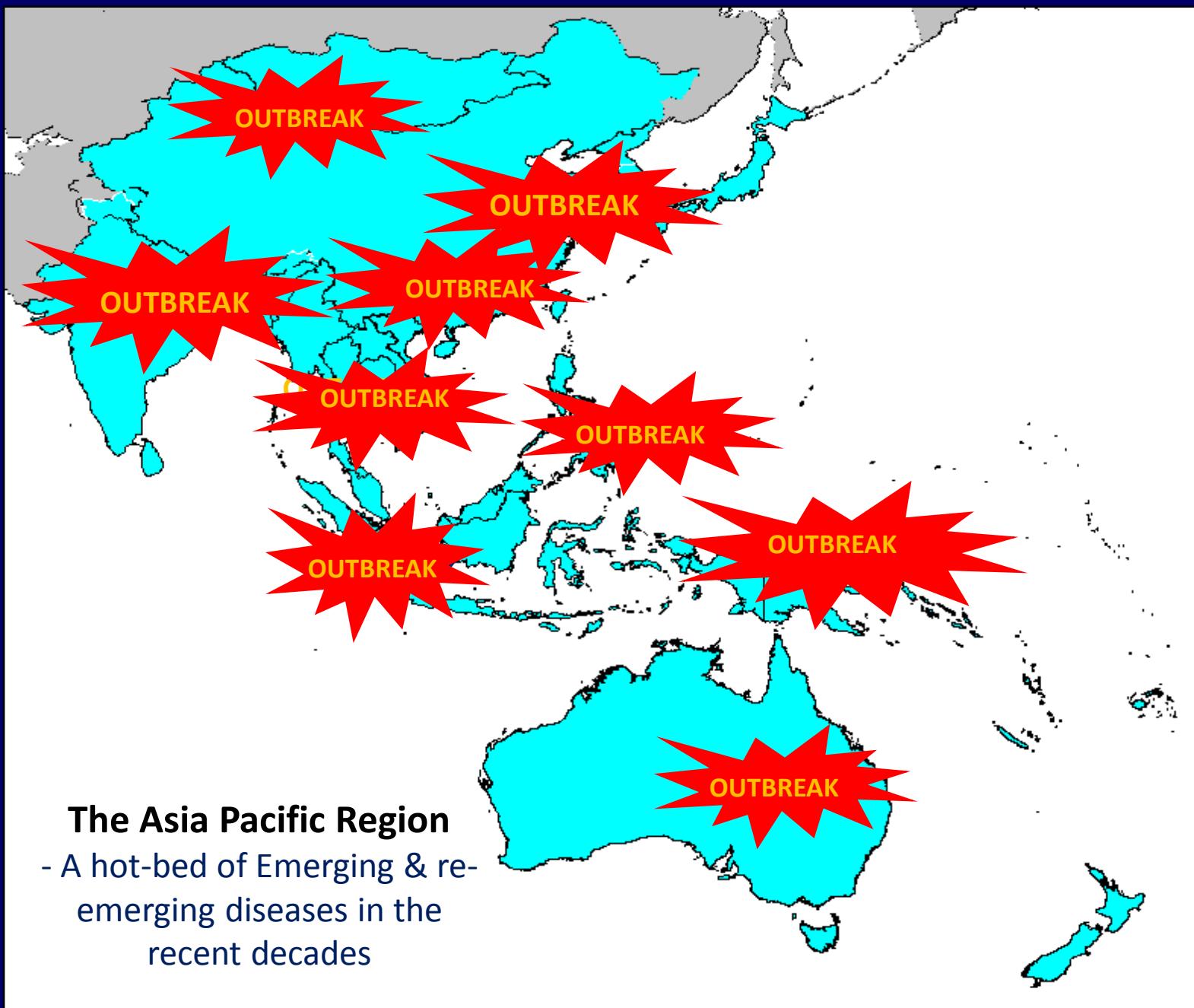
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**What are the Contributing Factors
that are Key to the Establishment a**

**Successful & Sustainable
Professional Association ?**



Do We Really Need an Association ???



The Asia Pacific Region

- A hot-bed of Emerging & re-emerging diseases in the recent decades

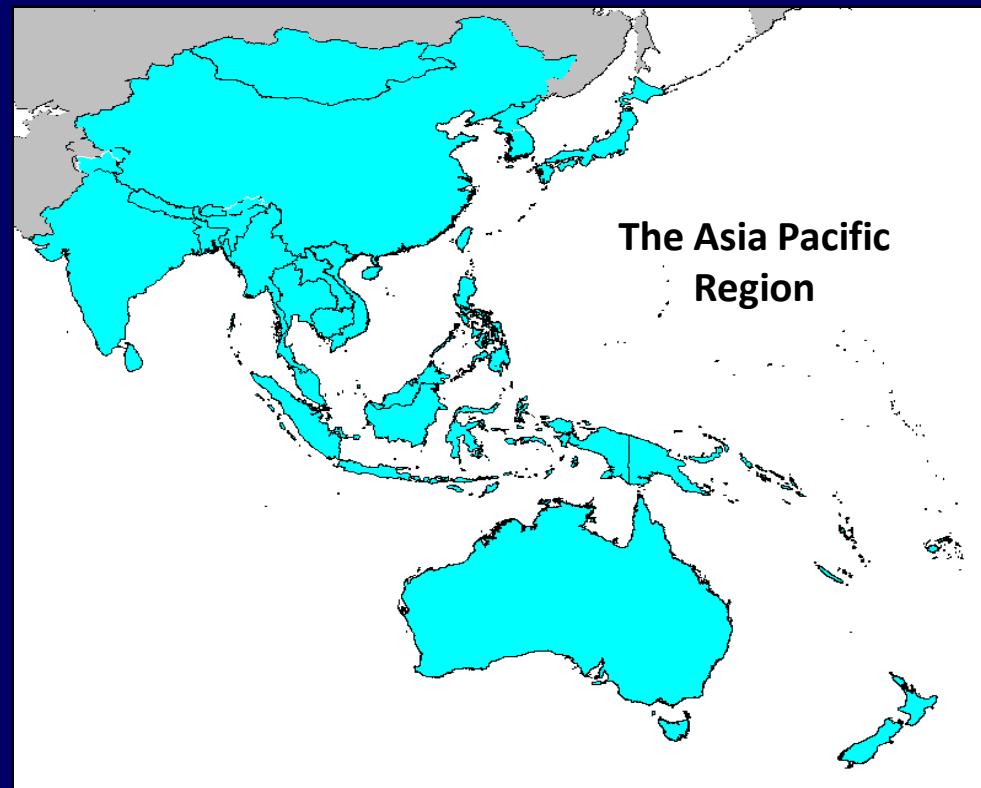


So We Do Need One ... but
What does it takes to make it ...

Successful & Sustainable ???

National → **Regional ???**

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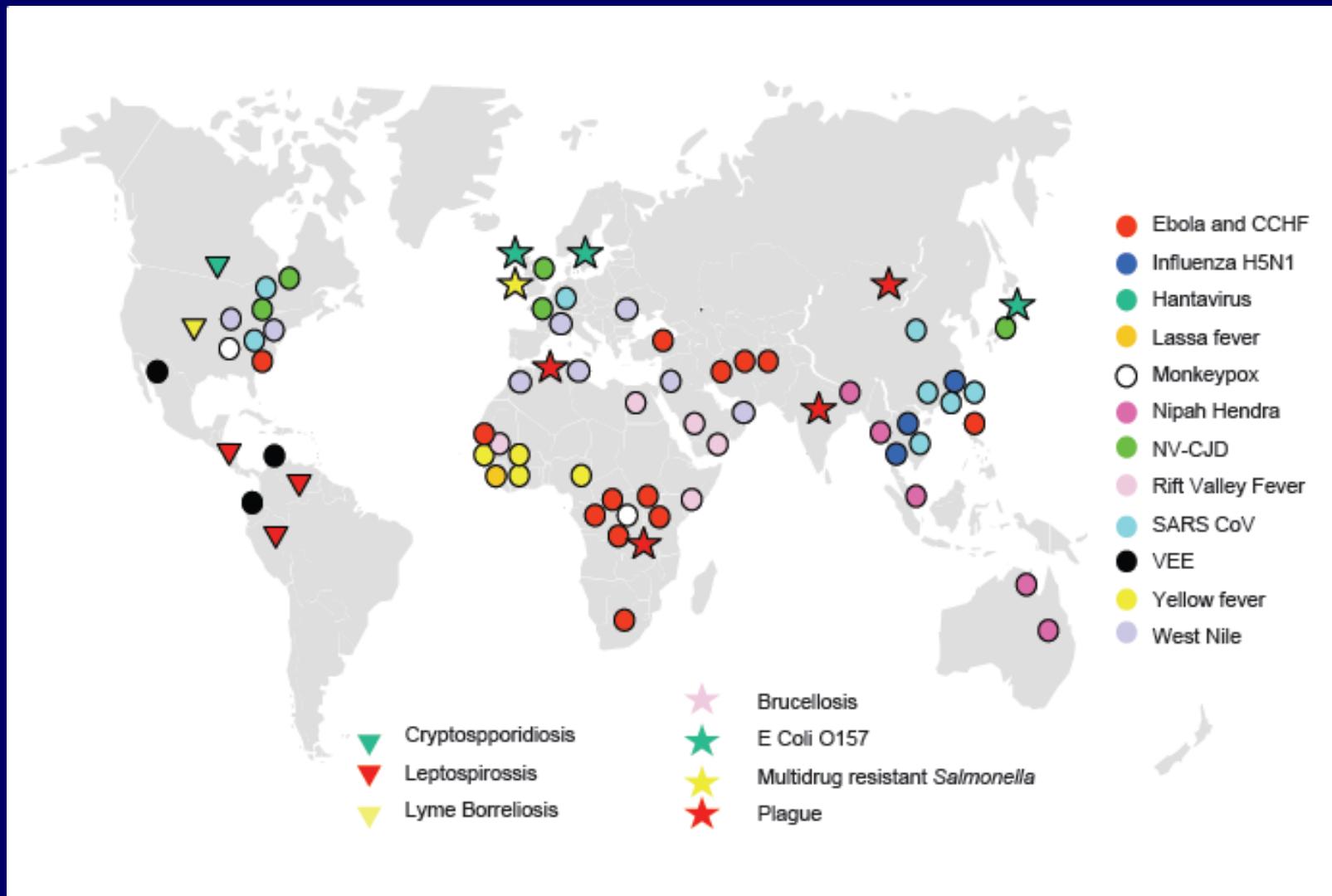
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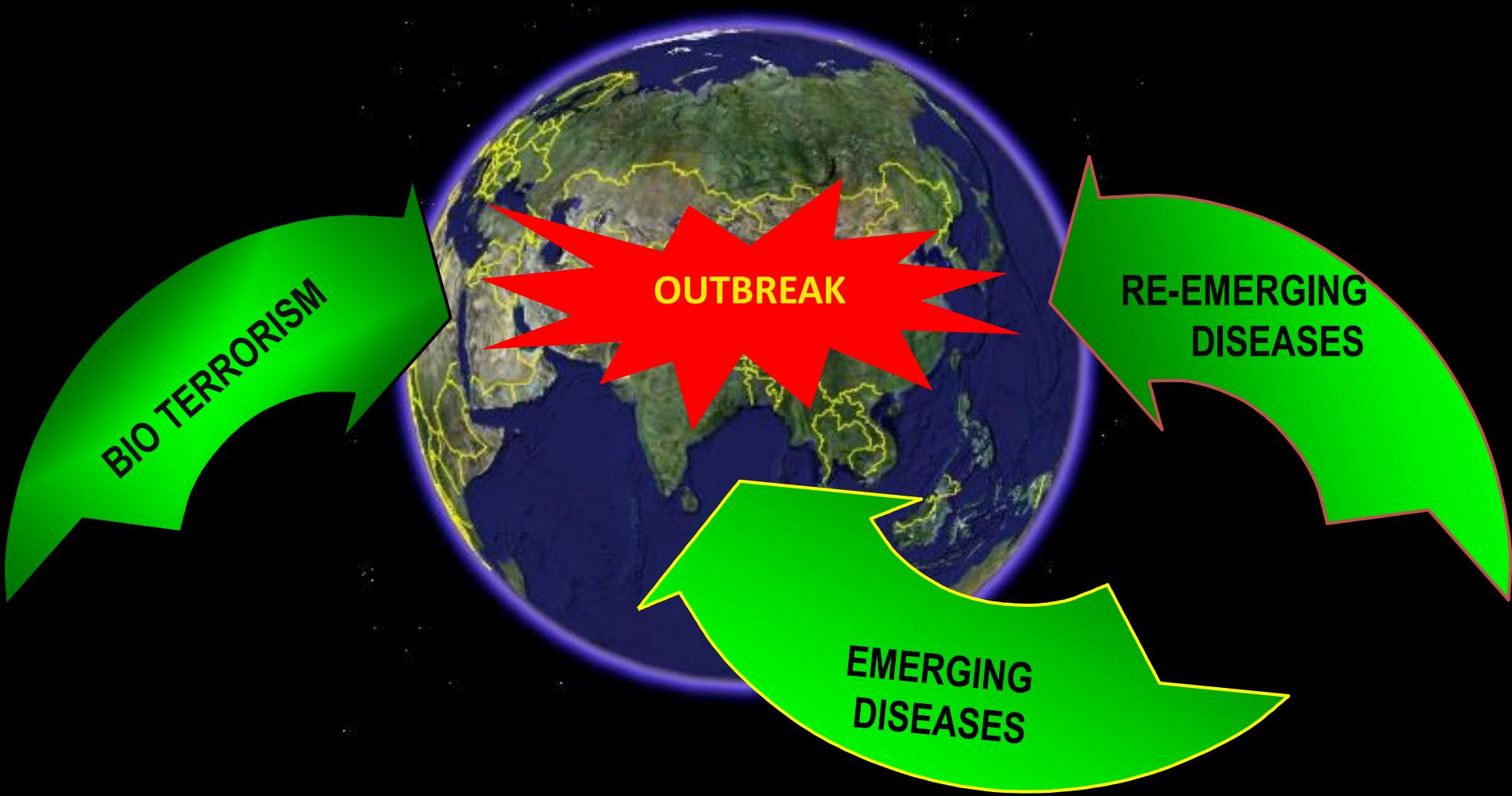
What is the Organization's

Vision & Mission ?

but ... outbreak of diseases is a global problem...



Global Threats





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Collective risk → **Collective responsibility** → **Collective action**

Successful & Sustainable



With that Vision & Mission ...

What do we need next ???

Successful & Sustainable



We Need an Organizational Structure to serve as a vehicle to facilitate & encourage :

- Collective Ownership
- Collective Leadership
- Realistic Business Plan
- Relevant activities directed to achieve the Mission & Vision of the Organization
- Flexibility to evolve into an organization capable of responding to the challenges of the future
- To serve the collective interest of its members and the biosafety community
- Policies & Procedures

Successful & Sustainable



We Need an Organizational Structure to serve as a vehicle to facilitate & encourage :

Collective Ownership

- Multi-disciplinary membership
(eg. Scientists, Administrators, Engineers
Architects, Technicians, etc)
- Multi-Agency membership (Human health,
Animal health, Home security, etc.)
- Across-borders membership

Successful & Sustainable



We Need an Organizational Structure to serve as a vehicle to facilitate & encourage :

Collective Leadership

- Role of Executive Council
- Representation at the Council
 - (preferably multi-agencies, multi-disciplinary, etc)
- Policies & Procedures (P&P)
- Consultation is Key to the success of Collective Leadership

Successful & Sustainable



We Need an Organizational Structure to serve as a vehicle to facilitate & encourage :

Realistic Business Plan

- A Not-For-Profit Organization - Constitution & By-Laws
- Office of the Secretariat
- A Yearly Budget of Income & Expense
- Identify Activities that helps generate income
- Identify Activities that will incur cost (expense)
- Financial statement must be transparent and be audited annually
- Collaborations that can help with the funding of activities

Successful & Sustainable



We Need an Organizational Structure to encourage the use of membership resources to facilitate activities that :

- Encourage universal participation (inclusive policy)
- Formulate programmes that are priorities in promoting the mission & vision of the organization
- Encourage members contribution to these activities by the formation of committees, task force, etc

Successful & Sustainable



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- Flexibility to evolve into an organization capable of responding to the challenges of the future

Successful & Sustainable



We Need an Organizational Structure to serve as a vehicle to facilitate & encourage :

- To serve the collective interests of its members and the biosafety community
- To stay focus on its vision & mission



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“ The earth is but one country and mankind its citizen ”

- Baha'I Writings -



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HEALTH**



Thank You

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