ICH M13 EWG Work Plan August 22, 2024

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1. Key milestones

1.a. Current status of key milestones

Past			
completion date	Milestone		
Nov. 2019	Concept Paper Outline endorsement		
Feb. 2020	Informal Working Group endorsement		
Jul. 2020	Concept Paper endorsement, Business Plan endorsement		
Jul. 2020	Expert Working Group (EWG) establishment		
Jul. 2020	M13A (document with Tier 1 topics) initiation		
Nov. 2022	M13B (document with Tier 2 topic) initiation		
Dec. 2022	Step 1 on M13A draft guideline (document with Tier 1 topics)		
Dec. 2022	Step 2a/b on M13A draft guideline (document with Tier 1 topics)		
Dec. 2022	Public consultation started on M13A draft guideline (document with Tier 1 topics)		
May. 2023	Public consultation ended on M13A draft guideline (document with Tier 1 topics)		
Jul. 2024	Step 3 sign-off on M13A final guideline (document with Tier 1 topics)		
Jul. 2024	Step 4 adoption on M13A final guideline		
Jul. 2024	Step 4 adoption on M13A Question and Answer document		
Jul. 2024	Posting of M13A Step 4 Presentation		

1.b. Key Deliverables

Approval Date	Deliverable	
Jul. 2020	M13A, M13B and M13C Guideline	

1.c. Future anticipated key milestones

Expected future completion date	Milestone
Nov. 2024	Face-to-Face meeting to finalise M13B draft guideline (document with Tier 2 topic)
Jan. 2025	Step 1 on M13B draft guideline (document with Tier 2 topic)
Jan. 2025	Initiate work for the third guideline in the series with Tier 3 topics (M13C)
Feb. 2025	Step 2a/2b on M13B draft guideline
Feb. 2025	Public consultation starts on M13B draft guideline

2. Timeline for specific tasks

Beginning date	End date	Task / Activity	Details
Aug. 2024	Oct. 2024	Multiple EWG teleconferences monthly and email communications	 Continue to work on M13B draft document Draft and finalise various sections of M13B draft technical document Collect comments from internal groups to prepare for discussion at face-to-face meeting
Nov. 2024	Nov. 2024	Face-to-Face meeting in Montreal	 Address working group member comments and resolve differences Finalise draft M13B for internal clearance prior to Step 1 topic leads sign-off Develop M13B Step 2 presentation Develop Concept Paper Supplement for M13C
Nov. 2024	Dec. 2024	Multiple EWG teleconferences monthly and email communications	 Member internal clearance prior to Step 1 topic leads sign-off Continue work on M13B Step 2 presentation

Jan. 2025	Jan. 2025	Multiple EWG teleconferences monthly and email communications	 Step 1 topic lead sign-off on M13B Finalise M13B Step 2 presentation
Feb. 2025	Feb. 2025	Multiple EWG teleconferences monthly and email communications	 Step 2a/2b ICH endorsement on M13B draft guideline Start public consultation on M13B draft guideline M13B Step 2 presentation approval by ICH
Feb. 2025	May. 2025	Multiple EWG teleconferences monthly and email communications	 Initiate work on M13C by laying out scope and outline Draft various sections of M13C