

## MEETING MINUTES

### **On possible future collaboration between World Health Organization (WHO) and Pharmaceuticals and Medical Devices Agency (PMDA)**

26<sup>th</sup> May 2023

#### **A steady step toward strengthening collaboration between WHO and PMDA for regulatory capacity building in Asian region.**

The representatives from both WHO and PMDA met face to face on 5 April 2023 to have a dialogue for strengthening collaboration between WHO and PMDA for regulatory capacity building in Asian Region, which is in line with the World Health Assembly (WHA) Resolution 67.20 on regulatory system strengthening (RSS) for medical products and the activities of PMDA's Asia Training Center for Pharmaceuticals and Medical Devices Regulatory Affairs (PMDA-ATC) that provides training for the regulators in Asian region, practically from ASEAN countries, aiming to contribute to universal health coverage in Asia.

Whilst PMDA and WHO have a long-standing good working relationship, this meeting marked a steady step forward in strengthening cooperation to enhance regulatory capacity in the Asian region, taking advantages of PMDA-ATC. The points for enhanced cooperation will include:

- ✚ Systematising current collaboration on trainings/seminars provided for Asian region by PMDA and WHO through mutual provision of facilitators.
- ✚ Planning and conducting effective capacity building and training activities in ASEAN countries.