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| <p>a. Jeremy welcomed participants to the call and introduced a new partner: Sara Loree and Stacy Brody, U.S. Library Reserve Corps</p> |
| <p>a. Review partner notes from 1 October (see attachment 2)</p> |

- a. Francois-Pierre Gauvin gave an overview of the draft citizen-engagement strategy (see attachment 3), Maureen Smith provided an update on recruitment to the horizon-scanning panel and noted the four LMIC candidates are all physicians (or in one case may be another type of health professional), a number of partners suggested working with national civil society groups (e.g., Edward Kayongo for Uganda and Tamara Lofti for Lebanon), public involvement groups (e.g., Sandy Oliver noted [https://www.citizensuk.org/what we do](https://www.citizensuk.org/what_we_do)), and partner-affiliated citizen partners (e.g., Stefano Negrini with Cochrane Rehab)**

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- c. John Lavis gave an update on horizon scanning update (see attachments 4, 5 and 6), noted that we are in a transition month as we introduce not just issues but also priority topics for living evidence syntheses and as we begin to design an approach that could allow panelists to 'up vote' or 'down vote' topics within each of the four elements of the taxonomy, and proposed that the secretariat bring back to the partners a proposed approach for this 'next generation' approach to prioritizing topics for living evidence syntheses (and encouraged feedback in the meantime and then when we share the proposed approach)**

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- e. Amena El-Harakeh provided an update on the baseline study update, particularly the social network analysis, and encouraged those partners who haven't yet responded to the survey to do so as soon as possible (ASAP)**

- a. **Jeremy noted an upcoming IMI EHDEN online roadshow: a series of 3 webinars focused on 'the role of health data in the era of COVID-19'**
 - i. **This webinar series, organised by Innovative Medicines Initiative (IMI) project EHDEN in partnership with Vital Transformation, will present an opportunity to explore utilisation of Real World Data/Real World Evidence in Spain and Spanish-speaking countries, as well as to compare and analyse wider European and Spanish RWD/RWE initiatives in the spirit of creating collaborations and strengthening relationships**
 - ii. **First webinar is on 9 October, 14.30-15.30 CET**
Link to register [here](#)

- a. **Jeremy noted the following 'time off' weeks with no scheduled COVID-END meetings:**
 - i. **Week of October 12**
 - ii. **Week of November 16**
 - iii. **Week of December 21**
 - iv. **Week of Decembr 28**