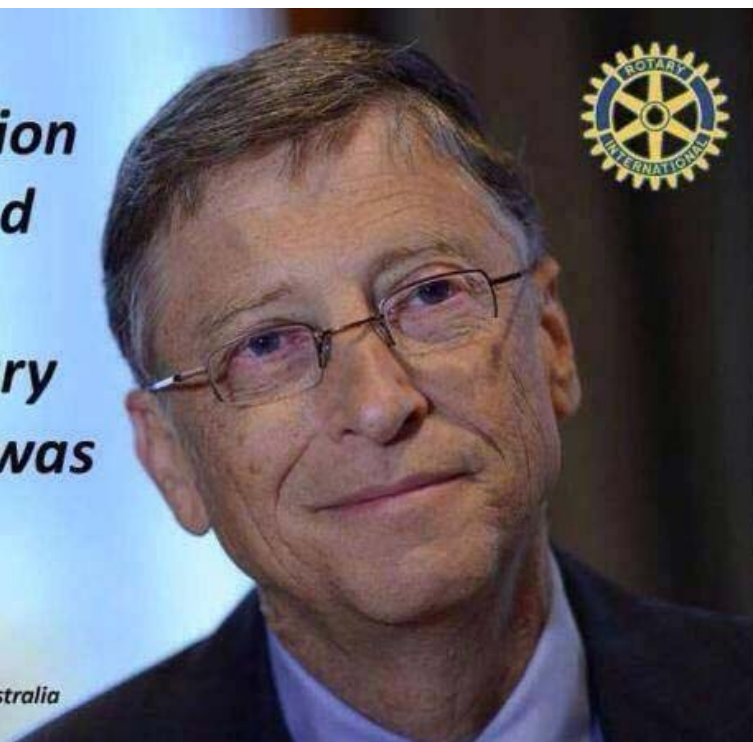




*There's been an  
amazing organisation  
that's been behind  
this...  
It was due to Rotary  
that the campaign was  
started.*



*Bill Gates on Eradicating Polio.  
May 28, 2013, National Press Club, Canberra, Australia*

**Advocate:** The fight to end polio is a massive effort that Rotary and its partners cannot do alone. Help secure support from governments, non-governmental organizations, corporations and the public. Your advocacy's efforts help ensure that no child will suffer from this crippling disease ever again.

### 2014-15 issue #4

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Watch polio disappear  
across the world.  
3 countries to go  
<https://vine.co/v/hlB6nzYW6gm>

## Polio WHO regional meeting @ Beirut by Michel P. Jazzar – RI Rep

Review Phase II -

Planning Phase III

ME Polio outbreak

response meeting 26-27

Jan 2015 Beirut -

Lebanon Report...

With reference to the  
end of Phase II of the ME

polio outbreak response, and to proceed with the momentum of the great efforts to respond to the outbreak, a planning for a review meeting for the ME countries (Egypt, Iran, Iraq, Jordan, Lebanon, Palestine, Syria, and Turkey) took place in Beirut. The meeting was an opportunity for the 8 countries to formulate plans for the Phase III of the response.

**The objectives of the meeting were:**

- Review the achievements and remaining challenges of Phase II.
- Formulate the way forward for Phase III of response.
- Develop country plan of the Phase III activities.

### Impact of the Phase I & II response

56 vaccination campaigns in the sub-region targeting 27.7 million children

Over 142 million doses of OPV used since October 2013

No detection of WPV1 in 6 of 8 countries [Syria and Iraq]

No WPV1 cases since April 2014 & no WPV1 from the environment since March 2014

### Geographical priorities for Phase III

- *Highest Risk Zone* – Syria & Iraq (last WPV1 cases; complex security situation)
- *High Risk Zone* – vulnerable populations in Lebanon, Jordan & Turkey
- *Risk Reduction Zone* – Egypt, Iran, Palestine & general populations in Lebanon, Jordan, Turkey

**Budget estimated: January-June 2015** [weo]

**27.000.000 USD** - Turkish government will cover the NIDs expenses



### Global Outlook Publications on Polio

Global Outlook offers relevant information, practical advice, and expert opinions on topics of interest to Rotary members worldwide. Learn how to advocate for polio eradication.

\*Advocating for eradication - August 2011

\*The "Plus" in PolioPlus - November 2011

\*Guide to Advocacy for Polio Eradication – February 2013

\*Guide to the Race to End Polio – February 2014

<https://www.rotary.org/myrotary/en/global-outlook>



## Fundraise

Rotary and the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation have extended their partnership during the critical endgame phase of the Global Polio Eradication Initiative. From 2013 to 2018, every US dollar Rotary commits to polio eradication will instantly become three dollars, thanks to a 2-to-1 match by the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation. Join Rotary in the final push to end polio and help make history today.

## Polio WHO regional meeting @ Beirut



## Thank you

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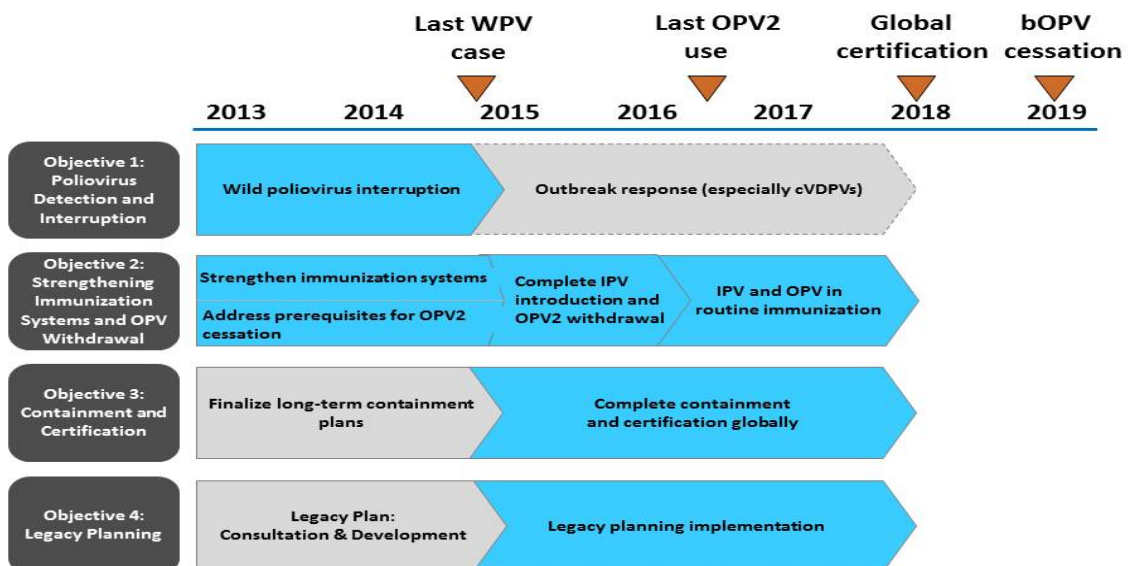
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## POLIO ERADICATION AND ENDGAME TIMELINE

<http://www.polioeradication.org/Dataandmonitoring/Polioeradicationtargets.aspx>

The Polio Eradication and **Endgame Strategic Plan 2013–2018** is a comprehensive, long-term strategy that addresses what is needed to deliver a polio-free world by 2018.

The Plan has four objectives, with associated timelines for delivery.



## Through The Centuries (Song for Rotary)

**This song was written to help promote the work of Rotary International and Rotarians in the continuing effort to completely eradicate polio worldwide. Polio has been 99% eradicated and the final push is on to finish the task.**

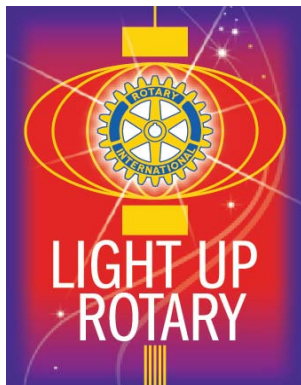
**The song is released on itunes etc...**

<http://playit.pk/watch?v=AgA7FGct3uw>

“We promised the children of the world that we would eradicate polio, and Rotarians keep their word. We are **this close**, and getting closer every day. Thanks to you, we will **End Polio Now**.”

*John F. Germ*

*Past Chair, International PolioPlus Committee  
RIPN 2016-2017*



### PolioPlus resources:

- *End Polio Now Brochure (940-EN): Describes Rotary's commitment to eradicating polio and encourages support*
- *End Polio Now Poster (941-EN): Describes Rotary's commitment to eradicating polio and encourages support*
- *End Polio Now Video and Digital Resources (942-USB): Provides an overview of Rotary's efforts to eradicate polio*
- *End Polio Now Pins (988-MUP): Lapel pins with the End Polio Now logo*

### For more information on the PolioPlus Program:

<https://rotary.org/myrotary/en/take-action/end-polio>  
[www.endpolio.org](http://www.endpolio.org) or [www.endpolionow.org](http://www.endpolionow.org)

### Social Media:

Facebook: [https://m.facebook.com/profile.php?id=78976274836&\\_rd=1](https://m.facebook.com/profile.php?id=78976274836&_rd=1)

Twitter: <https://twitter.com/EndPolioNow>, @End\_PolioNow

Pinterest: [www.pinterest.com/rotary/endpolionow](http://www.pinterest.com/rotary/endpolionow)



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