

**IHR 2005:  
“Intent” and “Realities” of Implementation**

*A Panel Discussion*

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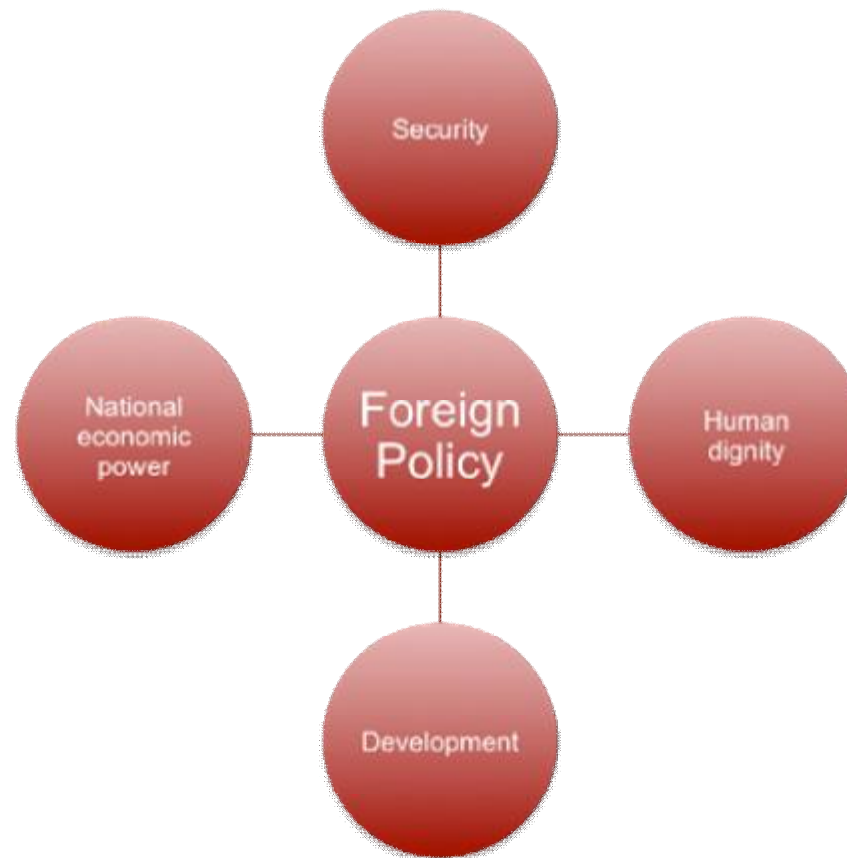


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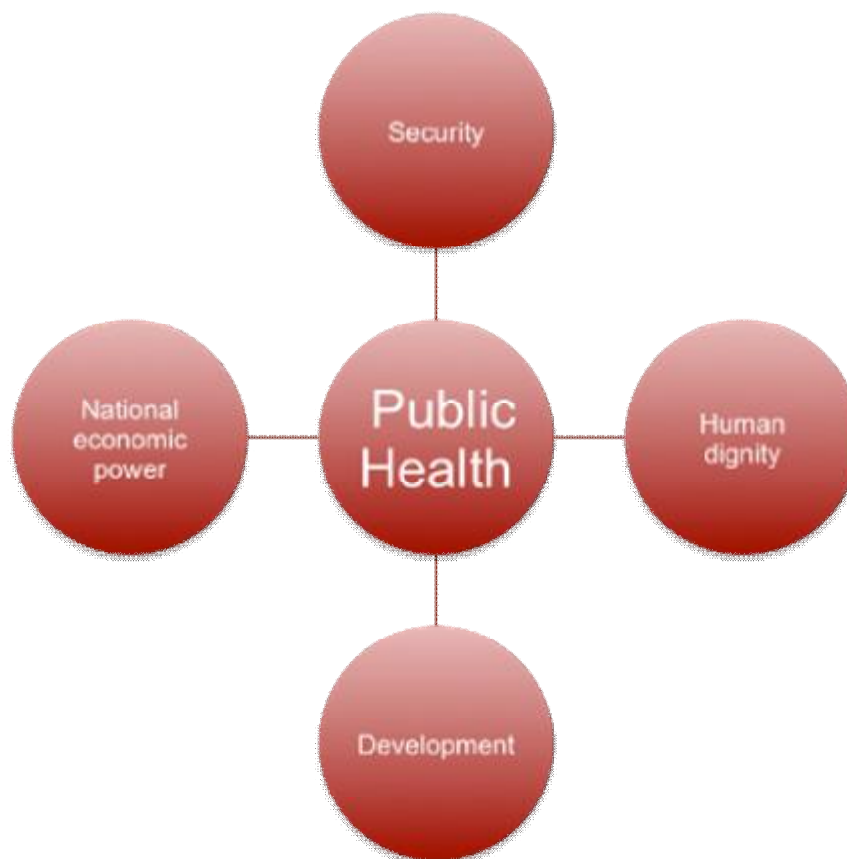
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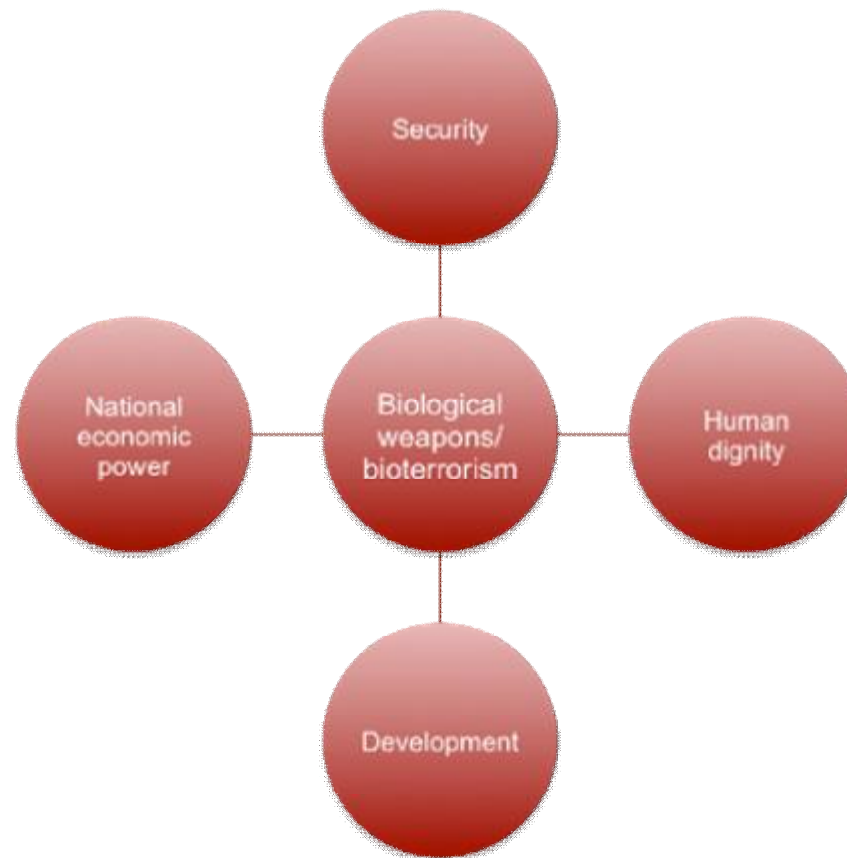
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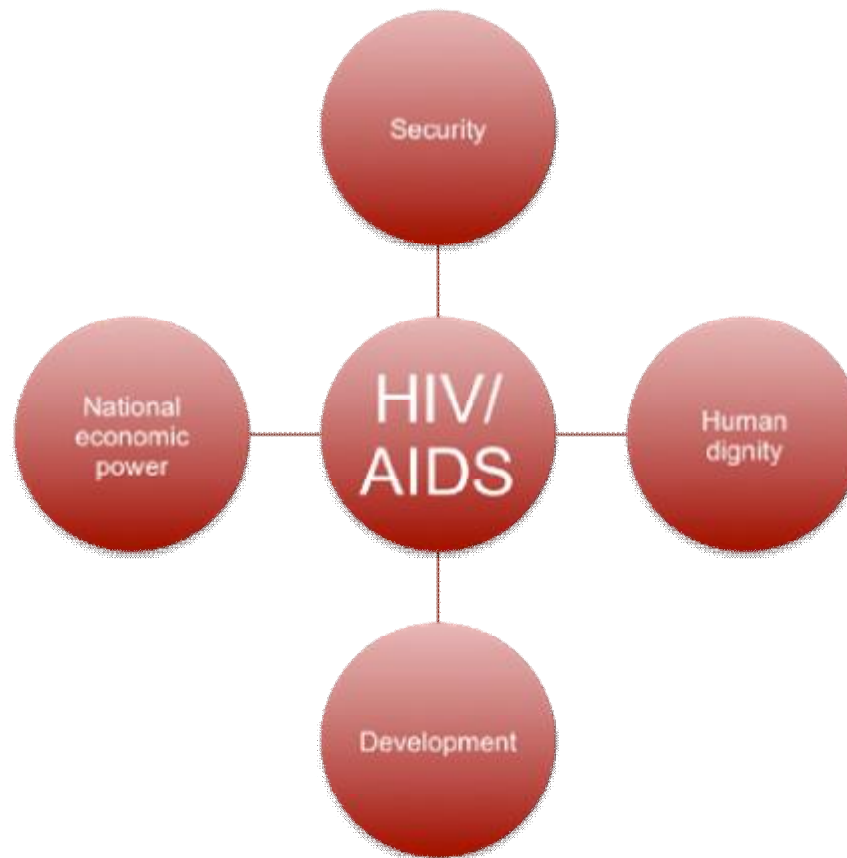


# Health in Foreign Policy: Biological Weapons and Bioterrorism



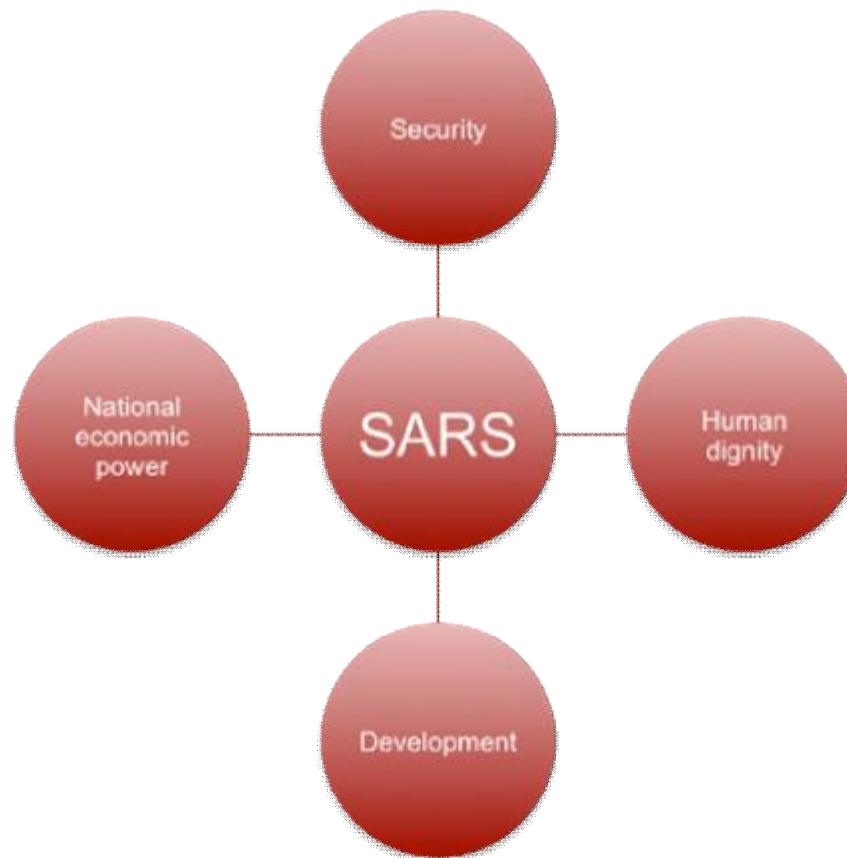


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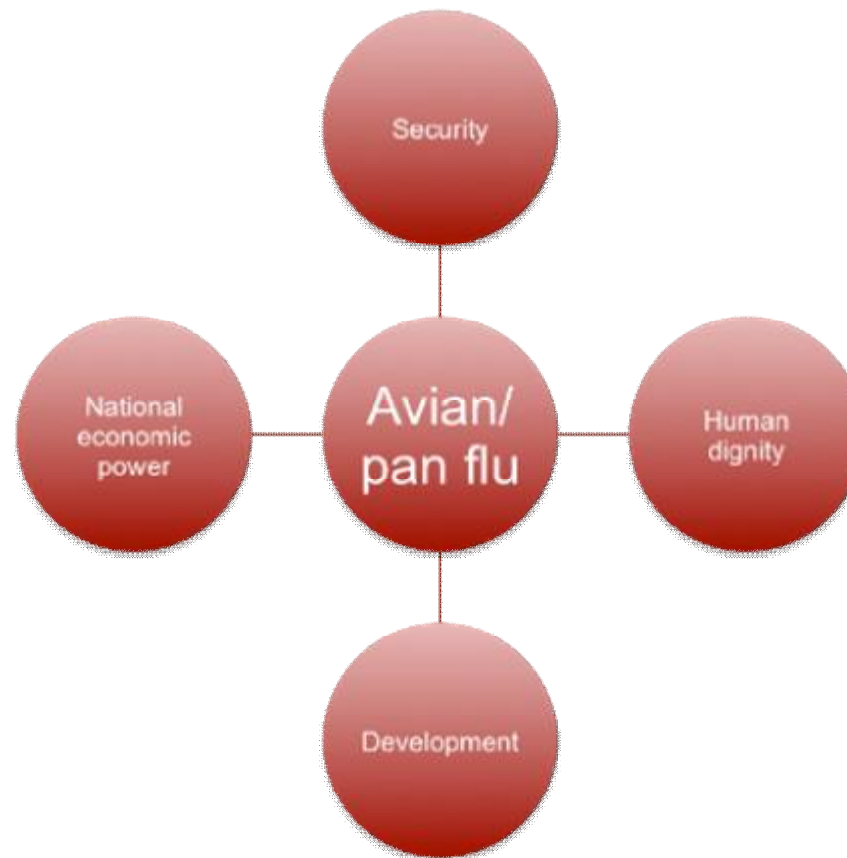


# Health in Foreign Policy: SARS





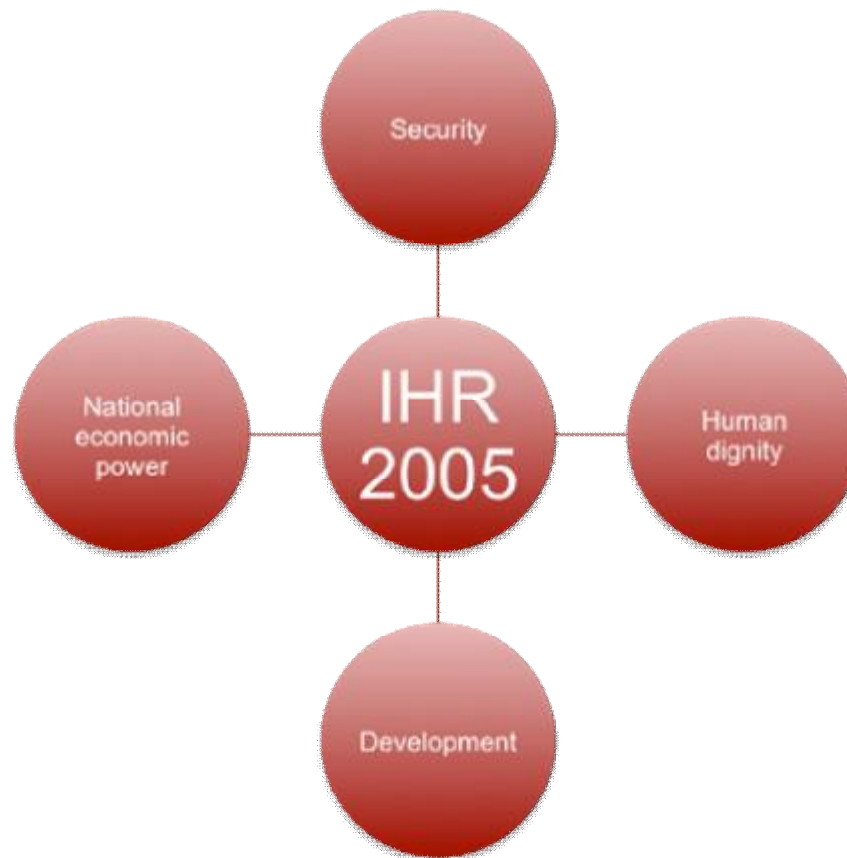
# Health in Foreign Policy: Avian and Pandemic Influenza





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# Health in Foreign Policy: Deliberate Design Features





# IHR 2005 and “Great Debates” in Global Health

- **Naturally occurring infectious diseases v. bioterrorism** → IHR 2005 recognize both threats as real and emphasize public health capabilities
- **Vertical v. horizontal programs** → IHR 2005 move towards horizontal capabilities nationally and globally
- **Multilateral v. bilateral** → IHR 2005 is an innovative multilateral strategy
- **Levels of governance debates** → IHR 2005 emphasizes the importance of national, international, and global governance



# IHR 2005 and Other Governance Regimes and Challenges

- Drivers of disease emergence and spread

- Trade/travel
- Migration
- Environmental change
- AMR
- Armed conflict

Weakness of other governance regimes makes the IHR 2005 even more important for global health



## IHR 2005 Implementation Realities

- H5N1 virus sharing controversy
- Concerns about assistance for developing countries to implement core surveillance and response capacities
- Overshadowed by other global crises (climate change, energy, food, financial crises)
- Lack of a sense of urgency or understanding about the importance and potential of the IHR 2005's implementation



## U.S. Commitment to Global Health: Recommendations for a New Administration

à “The committee is calling on the next President to highlight health as a pillar of U.S. foreign policy.” (p. 2)

à The report outlines “the committee’s ideas for the U.S. government’s role in global health under the leadership of a new administration.” (p. 5)

Health and Foreign Policy Issues	Treatment in U.S. Commitment to Global Health Report
HIV/AIDS	Extensive (e.g., MDGs, PEPFAR)
Biological weapons/bioterrorism	Nothing
Avian/pandemic influenza	One mention of “bird flu,” but just as an example of emerging pandemic threat (p. 19)
IHR 2005	Nothing