GLOBAL EPILEPTOLOGY STATE OF THE ART AND FUTURE PERSPECTIVES Dr. med. T. M. Welte, Ainhoa Costas-Chavarri, MD Within the scope of CSIH Mentorship Program 2021 Key points of a presentation to give at an international epilepsy conference LMIC= Low- and middle income countries; PWE= Persons with epilepsy Gobal but disparate • 50 mio people affected WORLDWIDE BURDEN 80% of PWE live in LMIC Common but varying • **25%** of epilepsy cases are PREVENTABLE CAUSES **Double** burden in LMIC: infections Significant but • **3-6x** greater risk of premature DEATH differing IMPACT • Stigma & discrimination, esp. in LMIC Established but patchy • **70%** of patients could become seizure FREE **DIAGNOSIS**/ • **75%** don't get diagnosed/treated in LMIC TREATMENT

RAISE AWARENESS

of epilepsy and its global disparities among public and caregivers

IMPROVE SERVICES

on a social, educational and medical level by international parternships

PROMOTE RESEARCH

in global epileptology and global neurology, esp. in LMIC