

**Executive Committee Teleconference, 13 October 2015
Minutes**

Attended:	Apologies:	Secretariat
Joanne Carter (Vice-Chair) & Delia Clayton Erika Arthun Cheryl Boon Aaron Oxley Victor Ramathesele Mario Raviglione Thokozile Phiri-Nkhoma Cheri Vincent & Amy Bloom	Paula Fujiwara Austin Obiefuna	Lucica Ditiu Shirley Bennett Suvanand Sahu Ravini Senanayake
Minutes of Discussion		Outcome
1. Operational Strategy 2016-2020		
<p>The Secretariat provided an update on the development of the Operational Strategy 2016-2020. The Secretariat conducted interviews with about half the Board to gather feedback on the strengths and weaknesses of the current Operational Strategy 2013-2015. The majority of the feedback was very positive, with the recognition that Operational Strategy provided support and guidance to the Secretariat to help focus on priority areas. The first draft of the Operational Strategy 2016-2020 was circulated to the Executive Committee for comment in early 2015, and some feedback from the constituencies was also received.</p> <p>The current draft of the Operational Strategy 2016-2020 is with the Secretariat senior management for review. Key Performance Indicators are being developed.</p> <p>It is expected that the Operational Strategy 2016-2020, which will include Key Performance Indicators, will be shared with the Executive Committee for final comment towards the end of October before being shared with the Board in mid-November.</p>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Executive Committee welcomed the update on progress.

2. Stop TB Partnership 27th Coordinating Board Meeting

<p>The draft agenda for the 27th Stop TB Partnership Coordinating Board meeting was shared with the Executive Committee. Pre-briefings are arranged for 28th November, and a one day Board meeting on 29th November. There is an evening event scheduled on 29th November with the Global TB Caucus of Parliamentarians. Logistical details for this event will be communicated as they are confirmed.</p> <p>The Executive Committee suggested that, given the number of agenda topics to be covered in the pre-briefing, additional time should be dedicated to the pre-briefings. The Executive Committee also concurred that the Coordinating Board Meeting sessions on the Operational Strategy 2016-2020 and the Work Plan 2016 be presented together toward the top of the agenda.</p> <p>The Executive Committee asked for an update from the Secretariat on new Board members. The Secretariat reported that the Minister of Health China has agreed to join the Board, however is unable to attend the upcoming Board meeting. Discussions are ongoing as to who will represent Minister of Health, China at the Board meeting in Cape Town.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Secretariat will update the Coordinating Board meeting agenda to reflect the Executive Committee recommended changes. • List of Parliamentarians who will attend the Global TB Caucus will be shared with the Executive Committee upon receipt.
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3. Programmatic Collaboration Between Stop TB Partnership and WHO

<p>The Vice-Chair briefed the Executive Committee on recent discussions with WHO regarding the programmatic collaboration.</p> <p>It had been discussed previously with WHO that the intent and focus of a programmatic agreement or exchange of letters would be to outline specific areas of collaboration rather than attempt to address all activities and roles in the broader TB space.</p> <p>In recent conversation, WHO expressed the view that an exchange of letters between WHO and the Partnership, as had been discussed earlier in the year, was not needed and might not be useful at this time, and that the Programmatic Framework provided by the WHO late last year captured key areas of WHO collaboration with the Partnership and the Partnership Secretariat. WHO also reiterated it remains fully committed to the Stop TB Partnership.</p> <p>The Executive Committee agreed that it is important to have alignment between WHO and the Stop TB Partnership on a number of strategic initiatives. The Executive Committee recognized that WHO and the Stop TB Partnership are working effectively on Global Fund issues through the TB Situation Room. It was agreed as an immediate next step to identify</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Key outstanding areas of strategic collaboration to be outlined, and discussed with WHO.
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<p>any specific areas of collaboration that the Executive Committee feels require further clarification, and to outline these and discuss with WHO. It was also noted WHO’s policy of not providing privileged access to unpublished data to external partners including the Stop TB Partnership.</p> <p>The Executive Committee agreed the Chair should be kept updated and involved on this issue.</p>	
<p>4. TB Identity</p>	
<p>The Board discussed the work on the TB Identity during the 25th Coordinating Board meeting in Seattle and recommended that the Executive Committee monitor the development of the campaign. In accordance with the Coordinating Board recommendation, the Executive Committee has been briefed and provided feedback several times during the further development of the TB Identity campaign. . In addition, throughout 2015, five teleconferences with key advocacy partners have been held to review the campaign. During the advocacy call held on 16 July 2015, it was agreed that the visual identity, resulting from the TB Identity work, on “End TB” should be used for World TB Day 2016.</p> <p>The World TB Day theme is usually announced at the Union conference. The Secretariat asked for approval from the Executive Committee to move forward with the visual identity on End TB for the World TB Day theme in 2016.</p> <p>The Executive Committee welcomed the update on the TB Identity work and agreed to move forward with the visual identity on End TB.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Secretariat to advance preparation of mock-ups for World TB Day.
<p>5. Global Fund</p>	
<p>The Global Fund Board meeting in November will have a number of important topics on the agenda including the strategy framework and allocation methodology. There may be a joint request with UNAIDS and WHO for these topics to get more time at the Board meeting as there is a concern there is insufficient time dedicated on the agenda for these issues. Input from the Executive Committee and TB community will be key to informing these board discussions.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Executive Committee to be invited to join the Core Group call next week to discuss these issues further.