# Executive Committee Call, 29 November 2017

## Minutes

### Attended:
- Joanne Carter (Vice-Chair)
- Erika Arthun
- Amy Bloom
- Paula Fujiwara
- Haileyesus Getahun (for Mario Raviglione)
- Ashraf Hassanein (for Pierre Blais and Nalini Lachance)
- Aaron Oxley
- Inuki Panten
- Victor Ramathesele

### Apologies:
- Apologies from:
  - Austin Obiefuna
  - Nalini Lachance and Pierre Blais
- Timur Abdullaev –phone out of reach

### Secretariat
- Lucica Ditiu
- Jenniffer Dietrich
- Catie Rosado

## Minutes of Discussion

### 1. WHO Global Ministerial Conference Moscow - Feedback (15 minutes)

The Director a.i. of the Global TB Programme at WHO shared that the overall impression was that the event was highly visible with the participation of 75 ministers, a big highlight was President Putin´s participation. All documents will be posted on the website with the declaration and recommendations of each session. The Director-General is extremely engaged in TB and met with civil society participants.

The Executive Director remarked that the TB community needs to continue to engage with an increased number of stakeholders and try to bring into the conversation Ministers of Finance, banking sector and private health practitioners.

The WHO Global Ministerial Conference is a strong start in getting Heads of States to the UN High-level Meeting on Tuberculosis.

### 2. UN High-Level Meeting - Updates

Stop TB is co-organizing a briefing for UN Missions in New York under the auspices of the Russian Federation, Japan, South Africa, Thailand, WHO and the UN Secretary-General’s Special Envoy for TB.

The Executive Director will meet with the Ambassadors of the UN Missions from Germany, France, South Africa and India in New York.

The expectation is that the co-facilitating countries will bring their Head of State to the UN High-Level Meeting on TB.

The Coordinating Group on UNHLM on TB will be discussing the high-level goals of how this High-Level Meeting will advance the broader global agenda for TB.
### 3. 30th Board Meeting – Agenda

During a trip to London, the StopTB Executive Director and partners met with the UK Deputy-Minister of Development and discussed about tuberculosis and also the StopTB Board.

Executive Committee members asked if it is possible to:
- ensure that during the Board meeting India gets to showcase the community-based approaches to reach vulnerable populations
- revitalize the relationship with other BRICS ministers, since two BRICS Ministers are already confirmed for the Board meeting. This might support engaging their Heads of States for participation in the UNHLM.
- StopTB to continue the dialogue with the government of India to prepare the global meeting that will precede the Board meeting.
- Stop TB will meet with the Indian Mission to the UN in Geneva.
- Committee members to send any further comments about the Board agenda in writing to the Secretariat or to all members.


**1. Governance:**
   a) Governance Manual
   Following the request to the Executive Committee to share written feedback on the revised version of the Governance Manual by 16 November, the Committee members asked that the deadline be extended by one week.

   b) Board Country seats
   The Governance and Board Relations Officer presented the content of the background document shared in advance of the call. The following three decisions were put forward for consideration to the Executive Committee:
   1) Approve the amendments of the text in para. 8.2 of the Governance Manual about the selection process of Country Seats on the Board.
   2) Extend for another 3-year term the current 2 countries that are fully engaged in the Board (India and Mozambique), in line with the Governance Manual.
   3) To determine a list of 4 countries that Executive Committee members and Secretariat staff should actively recruit to join the Board.

   - The deadline for feedback on the revised Governance Manual be extended by one week.
   - The Executive Committee approved the amendments to the Governance Manual, paragraph 8.2.
   - The Executive Committee extended the terms of Mozambique and India to serve on the StopTB Board for another 3 years.

**2. Executive Committee in-camera session**
Closed Session.