

Stop TB Partnership Governance Reform

Decision Point: 22-6:

The Board notes that:

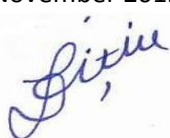
- A. At its 21st meeting in January 2012 in Bangkok, Thailand, the Board held a governance retreat at which board members identified challenges to its effectiveness and its impact on TB and the Global Plan goals.
- B. To address these challenges, the Board made a decision (1.12-7.0) to comprehensively review its governance structure with the goal of streamlining the board size and strengthening its constituency based board.
- C. A Steering Committee comprised of the Executive Committee and sub-Committee on Governance, Performance and Finance was formed to oversee the implementation of this decision. The recommendations put forward are a result of extensive analysis and discussion amongst this group and are informed by the perspectives of board stakeholders.

To improve its efficiency and effectiveness and to achieve greater impact in the prevention and control of TB, the Stop TB Partnership Board approves in principle the recommendations of the Steering Committee and decides the following:

1. The Stop TB Partnership Board has a responsibility: a) to the global TB community to build awareness, facilitate consensus on strategy, and identify key strategic issues affecting TB; and b) to the Secretariat to provide oversight and guidance and to set strategic direction and approve budgets.
2. To fulfill this role, the Partnership Board will be represented by no more than 29 members, representing a mix of rotating and fixed voting seats and non-voting seats. The Board will be based on the following composition:
 - a. Nine fixed voting seats – includes 3 donors (USAID, CIDA, Netherlands/UK), 1 foundation (BMGF), 2 technical agency seats (to be rotated between three founding technical agency members – KNCV, the Union, CDC), and 3 multilateral agencies (WHO, Global Fund, World Bank).
 - b. Between 14-16 rotating seats – includes 6 countries, 1 northern NGO, 1 southern NGO, 2 communities, 2 Working Groups, 1 private sector, 1 multilateral, and 2 open seats to be filled strategically for new partners or donors.
 - c. Three Non-voting seats- includes the Board Chair, Board Vice-Chair, and UNITAID.
3. The Stop TB Partnership Board will be supported by an Executive Committee of up to 8 voting members and a Finance Committee of up to 4 voting members.
4. To implement these governance changes, the Board requests the interim Board Chair, Dr. Amy Bloom of USAID, supported by the Executive Committee which developed these recommendations, to oversee the transition process to a new governance model by no later than July 2013.
5. The Board decides on the composition of the Executive Committee as follows:
 - a. Board Interim Chair: Amy Bloom

- b. Vice Chair: Blessi Kumar
 - c. USAID: Cheri Vincent
 - d. CIDA: Nathalie Garon
 - e. Technical agency: Nevin Wilson
 - f. Communities: Carol Nyirenda
 - g. BMGF: Michael Kimerling
 - h. WHO: Mario Raviglione.
6. The Board requests that the Executive Committee prioritize developing criteria to fill the two flexible seats so that the process may be launched as quickly possible.
7. The Board delegates authority to the Executive Committee to review and decide on changes to the Board's By-Laws and Operating Procedures to include:
- a. Terms of Reference for Executive Committee and Finance committee and guidelines on other board structures (e.g. task-forces).
 - b. Constituency guidelines for board member selection.
 - c. Selection processes for non-constituency seats.
 - d. Terms of Reference for Board Chair, Vice-Chair, Committee Chairs, and Board Members.
 - e. Protocols to strengthen communication between Working Groups and the Board.
 - f. Nomination and selection process for Board Chair and Vice-Chair.
8. The Executive Committee will recommend to the Board a proposal for the interactions and decision-making authorities between the Board, Executive Committee, Finance Committee, Secretariat and Working Groups by end of February 2013 in order for a board decision to take place electronically in March - April 2013.
9. The Board commits to review the governance changes one year from implementation, no later than July 2014, to determine how effective the transition has been and make any required modifications.

Date: 17 November 2012



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Executive Secretary



Blessina Kumar
Vice-Chair