

TB REACH Wave 5 Application Process and Timeline

Application Process

TB REACH uses a two-step application process. Interested organizations must first submit a Letter of Intent (LOI) which focuses on organizational capacity to implement TB-focused projects, the organization’s ability and track record of delivering on fast-track timetables and a description of proposed activities. The TB REACH team will screen the LOI submissions for eligibility and completeness. An independent Proposal Review Committee will then review screened LOIs remotely. Two PRC members will be assigned to each LOI and will assess it according to a standard grading form. PRC members will describe the strengths and weaknesses of the successful LOIs and detail a list of clarifications in the hope that the Full Proposal submission is stronger and better thought out than the LOI.

Full Proposal will include a more detailed description of activities as well as setting targets for project yield and population-level impact. At this stage, the PRC will meet in person. Each Full Proposal will be reviewed by two PRC members, but not the two which read the LOI, as well as members of the monitoring and evaluation team who advise the PRC on the feasibility of targets and impact measurement. Full Proposals will be ranked against a standard grading form and discussed by all PRC members. Final funding recommendations are made taking into account the quality of the submissions and the funding available for that cycle.

The PRC’s funding recommendation will then be sent to the Executive Committee of the Stop TB Partnership’s Coordinating Board for review and approval.

Application Timeline

The LOI development window will be open for five weeks and will close on 05 September 2016 at 23:59 Central European Time (CET). The Full Proposal development window will be open for six weeks from mid-October to mid-November. Final funding decisions will be announced in mid-December.

Events	Quarter 3, 2016		Quarter 4, 2016		
	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
LOI Development Window <i>(All Applicants)</i>	2 Aug – 5 Sept				
LOI Screening, Review & Selection					
Full Proposal Development Window <i>(Successful LOI applicants only)</i>			Exact dates: TBD		
Full Proposal Screening, Review & Selection					
Final Funding Decisions Made Public					

Grant signing and the disbursement of Tranche 1 of the grant will take place in 2017-Q1. Funded projects are expected to undertake project start up activities in Q1 and Q2, and to start service delivery activities on 01 July 2017 (Q3).