

Approval of Agenda (2.06-1.0)

- The agenda of the 11th Stop TB Partnership Coordinating Board (Doc 2.06-1.0) is approved with the addition of an agenda item on staffing.

Dated:

Marcos Espinal
Executive Secretary

Irene Koek
Chair

Decisions/Action Points from Abuja (2.06-1.1)

- The Meeting Report (Doc 2.06-1.1 containing draft decisions and action points) of the 10th Stop TB Partnership Coordinating Board (CB 04.06) is adopted.

Dated:

Marcos Espinal
Executive Secretary

Irene Koek
Chair

TB Control in Asia (2.06-2.0)

The Board:

- Congratulated the Meeting of Partners for TB Control in the South-East Asia Region on the outcomes of their meeting.
- Reaffirmed the commitment of the Stop TB Partnership to supporting TB control in the region;
- Endorsed the actions requested:
 - Advocate for increased and sustained domestic and external financing
 - Promote comprehensive human resource development plans
 - Advocate for resources for technical assistance
 - Increase efforts to combat the dual epidemic of TB-HIV,
 - Increase efforts to address multi-drug resistant TB
 - Ensure all countries have high quality drugs and consumables
 - Advocate with professional societies to promote the International Standards for TB Care and Patient's Charter
 - Develop practical and operational guidance for ACSM in the Asian context
 - Establish a regional coalition, including industry, to harmonize forecasting and fulfil requirements for TB drugs, diagnostics and vaccines
 - Ensure that TB issues are adequately prioritized under new international and bilateral funding initiatives

In addition the Board will:

- Monitor the data that is collected by technical partners on mortality in the region .
- Conduct High Level Missions (HLMs) and advocacy in the region.

Dated: 8 December 2006

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A "Call to Stop TB in Asia" **(2.06-3.0)**

The Board:

- Endorsed "The Call to Stop TB in Asia" with amendments.
- Instructed the Secretariat to support the wide dissemination of the Call to Stop TB in Asia to ASEAN, SAARC and other key stakeholders.

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Evaluation of the Stop TB Partnership in 2007 (2.06-4.0)

The Board:

- Decided that the scope of the evaluation should be wide and engage with stakeholders beyond TB. Input should be secured from countries beyond the NTPs; measure and involve community; encompass research and GDF financing.
- Agreed the purpose of the evaluation was to be forward looking with clear recommendations on future action and development of the optimal structure/systems for implementation of the Global Plan.
- Decided to establish an evaluation Steering Group to work with the Secretariat consisting of up to five members. Instructed the Secretariat to request volunteers from the Board for the Steering Committee.
- Instructed that the report on Working Groups, presented at Jakarta, should be considered a key input to the evaluation.
- Decided the Evaluation Steering Group should review the last evaluations of the GDF and Partnership including actions taken in response to recommendations and ensure findings from the last evaluations should feed into this 2007 process.
- Decided that the Terms of Reference of the Evaluation should be circulated electronically and approved by the Coordinating Board.
- Approved the estimated budget range.

Dated:

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XDR TB – Drug Resistance and Global Response (2.06-5.0)

The Board:

- Affirmed the Stop TB Partnership's commitment to taking leadership against XDR, recognizing that the fight must begin with building strong TB programs;
- Endorsed the call and committed to support resource mobilization for \$95 million of additional funding by the end of 2007 to coordinate and implement a global response to XDR-TB.
- Urged partners agencies to review funding requirements for global scale of the XDR TB response, beyond needs identified for Southern Africa.
- Endorsed the approach of updating the Global Plan and national plans to reflect the more urgent scale-up of interventions.
- Expressed no objection to the proposal for the Infection Control Subgroup to be located under the TB-HIV Working group. The Coordinating Board called on the 3 implementation WGs to agree on where the infection control subgroup is located.
- Called for stronger control of second line drugs

- Agreed that the STB Partnership should actively engage the HIV community on this issue, including undertaking high level discussions with UNAIDS on the XDR-TB threat as well as with other HIV leaders, and issue a statement for World AIDS Day.
- Stressed the need to emphasize diagnosis enhancement and to clarify what diagnostic packages are needed.
- Agreed to develop strong TB/HIV in the workplace messaging.

Dated:

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World Bank Study on Economic Implications of TB Control (2.06-6.0)

The Board:

- Welcomed the study on the Economic Implications of TB control.
- Encouraged the World Bank to ensure its clear public association with and branding of this report.
- Proposed that the study be submitted to a high profile peer-reviewed journal.
- Endorsed the need for a coordinated dissemination strategy including launch in key high burden and donor capitals and the World Bank.
- After endorsement of the final version, agreed to use the study for long term advocacy in favour of increased investment in TB at events such as the G8 and African Ministerial meeting.

Dated:

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Review of the Structure and Function of the Partnership's Working Groups (2.06-7.0)

The Board:

- Decided to keep the current structure of the working groups with adjustments to be explored, based on the outcome of this report, during the upcoming evaluation.
- Decided to initiate a formalized system of face-to-face meetings of the Working Group chairs and focal points to be held in conjunction with Coordinating Board meetings.
- Strongly supported some of the recommendations for greater accountability
- Decided that for greater efficiency in Global Plan implementation; to examine methods to move away from voluntary positions for key Working Group officers (notably secretariat).

Dated:

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Monitoring and Evaluation Implementation of the Global Plan 2006-2015 (2.06-8.0)

The Board:

- Strongly endorsed the need to establish a monitoring system for the Global Plan
- Decided that a focal point should be identified for monitoring and evaluation by each Working Group.
- Approved the development of a simplified and shortened standard template as a mean of collection of monitoring and evaluation parameters
- Requested annual reporting, independent review of reports, presentation and dissemination of the results of monitoring and evaluation to relevant audiences identified by the Secretariat/Working group.
- Advised
 - Less formal, biannual updates should be made to the Coordinating Board.
 - Reporting should rely on and not duplicate regional progress reports
 - A small sub-committee be created to review Working Group and Regional reports and ensure a streamlined process that focuses on substantive impact indicators rather than process indicators.

Dated:

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TB Research (2.06-9.0)

The Board:

- Endorsed proposals to track resource available for R&D on a regular basis and mandated the Secretariat to tender for research resource tracking, in coordination with other resource tracking activities.
- Agreed that the Partnership would undertake a research mapping exercise/landscape analysis
- Instructed that the external evaluation should examine how the partnership should approach the organizational aspects of research including the need for an overarching research plan for TB connected to strategic targets and for how basic research should be included in the Partnership framework.

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Task Force on Retooling (2.06-10.0)

The Board:

- Endorsed the paper “New Technologies for TB Control: A Guide for their Adoption, Introduction and Implementation”;
- Endorsed the 2007 retooling work plan.
- Requested the Secretariat/Task Force and Board members identify potential sources of funding to fulfill the Task Force budget of US\$150 000 for 2007.
- Agreed that the private sector constituency should be represented on the Task Force, with other relevant constituencies included as appropriate;

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Diagnostics for TB **(2.06-11.0)**

The Board:

- Congratulated FIND and TDR on the publication of the Diagnostics for tuberculosis; global demand and market potential.

Dated:

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Financial Sustainability of GDF grant recipients (2.06-12.0)

The Board:

- Decided to maintain a GDF grant service with a 3 year cycle
- Agreed to make GDF grants conditional on progressively increased budget lines for TB drugs
- Instructed the Secretariat to introduce a Financial Sustainability process for countries to guide the increase of budgets for TB drugs.
- instructed the Secretariat to engage into discussions to strengthen the current GDF/GFATM collaboration with the main purpose of increasing the number of GFATM grantees using GDF.
- Decided that the external evaluation should measure the extent GDF support has leveraged or replaced domestic and other funding sources.

Dated:

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Global Fund Progress and Challenges **(2.06-13.0)**

The Board :

- Welcomed the commitment of GFATM to reprogramming for work related to XDR-TB and encouraged the GFATM to agree on the process of scrutiny.
- Decided to pursue the goal of a seat for the Stop TB Partnership on the GFATM Board.
- Called on the GFATM to ensure broader TB representation in GFATM meetings.
- Decided to undertake a high level delegation to the new GFATM Executive Director, once appointed.
- Decided to engage with GFATM in discussions on the provision of Technical Assistance (based on the TB TEAM model), GDF/drug procurement and funds flow bottlenecks.
- Instructed partners to support the implementation of existing grants and to provide technical support to round 7 applications.
- Agreed that the 2 year MOU between the Partnership and GFATM (signed in 2005) is a valuable tool for collaboration and mandated the Secretariat to negotiate its renewal in 2007.

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The Partners' Forum (2.06-14.0)

The Board:

- Decided to approve the planning and realization of a Partner's Forum for 2008
- Instructed the Secretariat to prepare a proposal with options for consideration by the Board.
- Requested the Secretariat establish a Steering Committee and call for volunteers among Board Members to guide the Partners' Forum process.

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Updates on Working Group Activities **(2.06-15.0)**

The Board:

- Noted the changes to structure of the Working Group on Advocacy, Communication and Social Mobilization
- Welcomed working group progress and action since Abuja.

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Conclusions, Summary and High Level
Missions 2007
(2.06-16)

The Board:

- Endorsed the date and location for the Spring 2007 CB meeting (Berlin, April 18-19 2007)
- Endorsed the calendar of high level missions.

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