

# THE GLOBAL DRUG FACILITY TECHNICAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



**A NEW  
PERSPECTIVE  
ON TB DRUG  
PROCUREMENT.**

## Terms of Reference

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  - Receive GDF grant applications from countries and programmes submitted through the Stop TB Secretariat
  - Review grant applications and independent technical assessments to assess compliance with the criteria and conditions for GDF grants
  - Prioritize GDF grant applications on the basis of predetermined conditions, including recommendations specifying the nature and level of support to be provided, and the agency to provide technical support and monitoring.
2. Supply
  - Review the list of prequalified drug manufacturers and products for GDF
  - Review and recommend the list of products to be supplied by GDF.
3. Monitoring
  - Review and recommend shortlist of agencies to effect the independent technical monitoring of programmes supported by GDF
  - Receive and review annual monitoring reports of the countries receiving GDF grants and make recommendations concerning the continuation of GDF support.

## Working procedures

1. The TRC shall meet to review each round of applications to GDF, usually two to three times annually. The Executive Secretary of the Stop TB Partnership is responsible for convening those meetings.
2. The TRC shall elect a chair and a vice-chair from among its members. The chair shall be elected every two years. The vice-chair shall be elected for each meeting.
3. The Stop TB Partnership will provide a minutes secretary for each meeting.
4. TRC members must declare any potential conflicts of interest based on the WHO Declaration of Interest for WHO Experts.
5. The TRC will reach decisions by consensus.
6. The TRC may form subgroups for the review of applications.
7. The TRC has four options in reviewing applications to GDF. It can recommend to (1) approve without further conditions, (2) approve dependent on further conditions, (3) delay any recommendation until further information is provided or (4) not approve.
8. The TRC may meet using telephone conferences, video conferences or through email communication to further review updated applications.
9. Minutes of the TRC will be circulated to members for approval prior to circulation to the Stop TB Coordinating Board.