

Executive Committee Call
17 January 2019
Minutes

Attended:	Apologies:	Secretariat
Joanne Carter (Vice-Chair) & Selamawit Bekele Timur Abdullaev Pierre Blais Paula Fujiwara Tereza Kasaeva and Diana Weil David Lewinsohn Aaron Oxley Victor Ramathesele	Amy Bloom Christy Hansen Austin Obiefuna Cheri Vincent	Lucica Ditiu Jenniffer Dietrich Stefano Certosino
Minutes of Discussion		Outcome(s)
1. Governance: Board Leadership Change		
<p>The Governance and Board Relations Officer reminded Executive Committee members the term for the Board Chair will end on the 32nd Board meeting (Q4 2019) and shared a proposed timeline to select the next Chair of the Board, and milestones of the selection process within the coming six months.</p> <p>The incoming Chair of the Board will be introduced to the entire Board at that 32nd Board meeting and will chair the Board starting from the 33rd meeting in 2020.</p> <p>The Chair of the Executive Committee announced that any expression of interest to be part of the Board Chair Nomination Sub-Committee could be submitted until next Tuesday. The Sub-Committee will have a diverse representation. So far, the following Executive Committee members expressed their interest:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Paula Fujiwara - David Lewinsohn - Cheri Vincent - and a civil society representative – to be confirmed <p>The Executive Committee reiterated that from the 34th Board meeting, the current Vice-Chair would act as an adviser to the incoming Vice-Chair and attend in an ex-officio capacity for future Board meetings. Moreover, this will be added to the decision points of the upcoming Board meeting.</p>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Executive Committee approved the timeline and process for the selection of the next Chair of the Board • The Executive Committee is looking for 1-2 more members to establish the ad-hoc Board Chair Selection Sub-committee.
2. 31st Board Meeting		
<p>The Executive Director explained that draft Decision Points of the upcoming Board meeting will be discussed in the next call. The Executive Director explained the importance of the three Board pre-Briefing sessions that are scheduled to happen on 28th January. The briefing sessions will discuss best practices from the private health sector, new research findings on TB vaccines, and the UN Briefing. The Briefing sessions to the UN Missions in the Palais des Nations will include a welcome by the</p>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Executive Committee advised that the discussions at the Board should be of

<p>Director-General of the UN Office in Geneva and Ambassadors from the three co-hosting UN Missions (Canada, Kazakhstan and Moldova). Presentations will be given by Björn Lomborg from the Copenhagen Consensus Group, Dr Sahu from Stop TB, Dr Kasaeva from WHO, and other colleagues working on UHC.</p> <p>The Executive Director went through the agenda of the Board meeting in detail outlining who the speakers and presenters for each session will be.</p> <p>During the first day of the Board meeting, the outcome would be a call for action from the Board to rally the world for more funding for TB. This is in view of the USD 17 billion gap of the three diseases that will be presented by the Global Fund, out of which 10 billion comes from the TB needs gap alone, hence the urgency to ask the public to do more.</p> <p>The Minister of Health of India is scheduled to come and speak at the Board session pertaining to accountability.</p> <p>The Private Sector constituency of the Board is organizing a reception and dinner for all participants of the Board meeting during the evening of the first day.</p> <p>The following observers will be at the Board meeting upon their request to participate: France, Japan, Spain and South Korea.</p> <p>The Chair of the Board, Minister of Health of South Africa, will probably not be able to make it to this Board meeting.</p>	<p>practical nature and lead to compelling action points.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The near-to-final draft of Decision Points will be shared with Executive Committee members 3 days before the next meeting call
<p>3. Democratic People's Republic of Korea</p>	
<p>Following the request for more information from one of the Executive Committee members, the Secretariat shared more details about the Global Drug Facility (GDF) grant to DPRK. The grant was developed based on the GDF mission to the country in September 2018. Following various discussions with partners that backed the support to DPRK, a good understanding was reached which entailed the co-funding of a grant together with WHO (50/50).</p> <p>These are the answers to the queries received:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> the funds given by GDF & WHO will not to be returned by any source it is not clear if the Global Fund will fund DPRK anytime soon, and until the external investigation is concluded and outcomes analyzed. This grant is to bridge the immediate gap. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Executive Committee had approved the grant without objection, this discussion was for additional information.
<p>4. AOB</p>	
<p>Next Executive Committee Conference Call is scheduled for 24 January 2019.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Stop TB Secretariat will send a calendar reminder.