

Teleconference Executive Committee (Ex.Com. No 13 - 09.02.07)  
DRAFT Minutes

Attended:		Secretariat
Giorgio Roscigno Jeremiah Chakaya Irene Koek (Chair) Mario Raviglione Peter Small Roberto Tapia	Ken Castro	Marcos Espinal Louise Baker Robert Matiru Anant Vijay
Minutes on discussions	Decision	Action
<b>1) Civil Society Challenge Fund</b>		
The Stop TB Partnership Secretariat proposes to establish a Challenge Facility for Civil Societies (CFCS) in line with its approved workplan.		
There was broad agreement on the need to develop a transparent and strong mechanism to transfer funds, in line with the workplan and WHO rules, to support the development of a strong civil society movement for TB.	<p>The Ex. Comm agreed to the pilot stage of the CFCS with a one year duration and with a total budget of US\$200,000.</p> <p>Ex. Comm decided that any projects supported by the Facility should be explicitly in line with the Stop TB Strategy (component 5 of - "TB affected community empowerment and mobilization"), Global Plan and national TB programmes.</p>	<p>Establish Selection Committee [AV]</p> <p>Pilot the CFCS system and launch on World TB Day 2007 [ME/AV]</p> <p>Share draft CSCF documents with Board patient community representatives before circulation</p>
<b>2) Work Plan Amendments and Budget Status</b>		
The approved biennium work Plan 2006-2007 of the Stop TB Partnership, prepared and approved in 2005 had a plan cost of 89.7 million \$ and a funding gap of 6.8 million\$.		
<p>As a result of increased resource mobilization efforts following the launch of the Global plan the Stop TB partnership additional resources were received/pledged.</p> <p>The Ex. Comm was informed that as of 30 Jan 2007 the expected contributions for the biennium are \$115.2 million. The additional \$32.4 million includes a pledge of US\$21.5 for GDF for 2007.</p> <p>The Ex. Comm noted that all additional money received/pledged has already been earmarked as it was received against specific proposals (ACSM – OGAC through USAID, Gates funded political advocacy, TA for India</p>	Ex Comm decided to approve the proposed amendments to the 2006-007 Biennium Workplan, for additional activities and now funded.	<p>Send copy of Gates political advocacy proposal to Roberto Tapia [LCB]</p> <p>Send Memo through official WHO channels to increase budget ceiling appropriately [AV]</p>

from DFID, XDR-TB).		
<b>3) Spring Coordinating Board 2007</b>		
At the meeting in Jakarta, the Board agreed that its next meeting would take place in Berlin, Germany on the 18-19 <sup>th</sup> of April 2007.		
<p>The Ex. Comm was informed that the German authorities have proposed a postponement of the Board meeting in Berlin until the autumn of 2007. The Executive Committee discussed the suggestion to hold the Board meeting in Germany in conjunction with the European Ministerial Forum. In this scenario, German authorities would expect high level participation from BMZ, KFW and GTZ.</p> <p>The Ex. Comm welcomed the offer of WHO and WEF to host the Board meeting in Geneva in the Spring. Among others, a meeting in Geneva would give the Board the opportunity to meet with the new WHO Director General, with the Executive Directors of UNAIDS and GFATM.</p>	<p>The Ex. Comm agreed to keep the same dates (18<sup>th</sup>-19<sup>th</sup> April 2007) but select an alternative location for the spring Coordinating Board meeting.</p> <p>Agreed that the Board meeting should be held in Geneva.</p> <p>The Ex. Comm agreed to the postponement of the Berlin Board to the 23<sup>rd</sup>-24<sup>th</sup> October 2007.</p>	<p>Organize meeting in Geneva on 18-19<sup>th</sup> April 2007 – inform WHO and WEF accordingly [ME, LCB].</p> <p>Inform German authorities of agreement to postponement [ME, LCB]</p> <p>Send message to full Board ASAP to inform them of this change and confirm the dates for the April 2007 meeting</p>
<b>4) World TB Day Activities</b>		
The World TB Day Theme in 2007 is “TB Anywhere is TB Everywhere”		
<p>The Ex. Comm discussed the list of events being organized for World TB Day, noting the main events will be held on 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2007 and be led by the launch of the WHO TB Control report (including the 2005 targets).</p> <p>The sub-theme is TB is preventable and Curable - Fund the Global Plan to Stop TB with the main messages 1) Invest now to Stop TB 2) Research now to Stop TB and 3) Act: People can Stop TB.</p>	<p>The Ex. Comm welcomed the list of World TB Day events. Ex. Comm stressed the need to underline the XDR-TB and TB/HIV messages at each event, in line with the core message for each target audience.</p>	<p>Encourage the arrangement of an event in South Africa, hopefully with the presence of UNAIDS [ME, CF]</p>
<b>5) Global Drug Facility</b>		
GDF provided an update.		
<p>Ex. Comm was informed that dates have been finalized for the first GDF Business Advisory Committee (BAC) meeting: 14 - 15 March, at the World Economic Forum in Geneva. The outcomes of the meeting will be a BAC Work Plan for 2007 and development of recommendations to the Board for the April Board meeting on priorities for the BAC and GDF business operations in 2007. The Board is represented on the BAC by Jean-Francois de Lavison. GDF successfully passed its end of year ISO audit (2006) with some corrective</p>	<p>Ex. Comm agreed that a half day session prior to the Board meeting in the Spring of 2007 should be held to look at the future of GDF grants for 1<sup>st</sup> line drugs in view of changing funding streams.</p>	<p>Facilitate half day roundtable on the future of GDF grants, on the 17<sup>th</sup> of April, for interested Board members [ME, RM]</p>

<p>actions needed.</p> <p>GDF will issue its second call for Proposals for Grants of Pediatric anti-TB drugs (funded by UNITAID) by Feb. 9th 2007.</p>		
<p><b>6) External Evaluation</b></p>		
<p>The Secretariat provided an update on the progress of the External Evaluation (mandated by the Board at the 11<sup>th</sup> Coordinating Board meeting in Jakarta).</p>		
<p>The Ex. Comm was informed that that an Evaluation Steering Committee (ECSC) has been established consisting of 8 members. TORs are being finalized, along with evaluation criteria and a template.</p>	<p>The Ex. Comm agreed that the finalized TORs will be circulated before a Request For Proposals (RFP) is prepared and sent to a list of potential bidders and placed on the website.</p> <p>The Ex. Comm agreed to add GLC to the External Evaluation proposal.</p>	<p>Circulate final TORs and develop RFP [AV]</p> <p>Facilitate the external evaluation and ensure delivery of final report by early 2008. [ME, AV]</p>
<p><b>7) Update on Special Envoy visit to Geneva/Washington/New York</b></p>		
<p>Update on the visit of Jorge Sampaio to Geneva, Washington and New York</p>		
<p>In Geneva, 29<sup>th</sup> -30<sup>th</sup> January, the Special Envoy met with the Director General of the World Health Organization, Dr Margaret Chan, UNAIDS Executive Director, Dr Peter Piot, the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, Mr António Guterres, the Secretary General of the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies, Mr Markku Niskala, and other Stop TB Partnership Partners.</p> <p>In Washington, 5-7<sup>th</sup> February 2007, the Special Envoy met with the President of the World Bank – Paul Wolfowitz, Ambassador Mark Dybul at PEPFAR, representatives of the US Congress and attended a policy dinner. While in New York, the Special Envoy met Mr. Ban Ki-moon the Secretary General of the United Nations.</p>	<p>Ex. Comm agreed that discussions were productive and included identification of specific next steps to move forward the agenda on TB control in light of several threats including the HIV-TB co-epidemic and extensively drug resistant TB ( XDR-TB).</p> <p>Ex. Com agreed Board members should be informed about the Special Envoy's activities.</p>	<p>Final calendar of events for Special Envoy Sampaio for 2007 to be circulated to all Board members. [ME]</p>