



Stop TB Partnership

SUMMARY SHEET

Agenda Nr. 2.07-3.0	Subject	Beyond the Ministerial Forum
For Information <input type="checkbox"/>	For Discussion <input type="checkbox"/>	For Decision <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Rationale <p>On 22nd October the "All Against TB: the WHO European Ministerial Forum" was hosted in Berlin. The Forum was sponsored by the Stop TB Partnership. Various Ministers from European countries attended the Forum and endorsed a declaration on TB. The purpose of the discussion is to outline the role of the Stop TB Partnership in sustaining momentum created by this forum.</p>		
Summary <p>The draft Declaration notes with concern the re-emergence of TB as an increasing health security threat in Europe. The Declaration commits to an urgent response to the current situation, including strengthening political will, collaboration between TB and HIV programmes, coordination at national and international level, and civil society engagement. The Declaration raises the need to secure sustainable financing including through funding by appropriate mechanisms at global and European levels. Finally the Declaration commits to closely monitoring and evaluating the implementation of the actions outlined, calling on "other relevant Regional institutions and organizations to establish adequate fora and mechanisms... to assess progress at regional level every two years starting in 2009."</p> <p>The Stop TB Partnership should use and help sustain momentum generated by the "WHO European Ministerial Forum", both now and in 2009 when progress reporting commences.</p>		
Decisions requested (from the Stop TB Coordinating Board) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Identify how the Stop TB Partnership can best use and help sustain momentum generated by the Ministerial forum 		
Implications (political/financial/staffing etc): Staff time to follow up		
Next Steps		
Action Required: Liaise with EURO/ Partnership		
Focal Point: Secretariat		
Timeframe: End 2007		