

**Executive Committee Call  
14 December 2021**

<b>Attended:</b>	<b>Apologies:</b>	<b>Secretariat:</b>
Joanne Carter (Vice-Chair) Selamawit Bekele Timur Abdullaev Erika Arthun Pierre Blais Anand Date David Lewinsohn Carol Nyirenda / Peter Ngola Aaron Oxley / Austin Obiefuna Cheri Vincent / Amy Bloom	Tereza Kasaeva	Lucica Ditiu Jenniffer Dietrich Suvanand Sahu Catie Rosado  McKinsey team: Xavier Azcue Casey E
<b>Minutes of the Call</b>		

**Governance - 35th Board Meeting**

1. The Executive Committee members expressed their recognition and appreciation for and thanked Dr Joanne Carter, the Chair of the Executive Committee; as well as the other three departing Executive Committee members: Mr Timur Abdullaev (TB Affected Communities seat), Dr David Lewinsohn and Mr Aaron Oxley (flexible seats).
2. The Head of Governance and Board Relations briefly recalled that the Executive Committee had a discussion during the previous call about potential dates for the next Board Meeting, based on which the Secretariat presented new possible dates for May 2022. The proposition to hold the Board Meeting in June 2022 was maintained as a possible option.
3. Most Executive Committee members expressed support to the first option of holding the 35<sup>th</sup> Board Meeting on 19-20 May 2022. In terms of venue, there was consensus that Geneva is a plausible place to hold the meeting and have it also in a hybrid mode, in case that international travel will still be difficult. It was also agreed travel restrictions will be reviewed closer to the date.
4. The Chair of the Executive Committee remarked that the fact of favoring a date in May 2022 for the Board Meeting over a date at the sidelines of the G20 Ministers of Health Meeting in June 2022, does not rule out that a group of Board or Executive Committee members should be present in Indonesia to leverage that G20 meeting.
5. **Action item:**
  - The Secretariat will focus on the dates of 19-20 May to start arrangements for the next Board Meeting.

**Joint Hosting Agreement**

6. UNOPS' Portfolio Manager for Stop TB shared objectives for the next call in relation to hosting arrangements. According to the Portfolio Manager, in the upcoming EC call, the final document to be submitted to UNOPS will be presented in detail with the aim to decide and finalize the Hosting Operational Instruction agreement. There are no significant changes to the operating procedures as they have been utilized up to this date, except for 1-2 points that will require the Executive Committee's advice. The Portfolio Manger also stated other hosted organizations have already adopted the Hosting Operational Instruction.
7. **Action item:**
  - The Secretariat to circulate the Hosting Operational Instruction document for review to the Executive Committee in January.
  - In case that UNOPS wants this document adopted in the next donor amendment, the Hosting Operational Instruction would need to be finalized by the end of 2021.

**McKinsey work on Vision and Governance Reform**

8. The team of consultants from McKinsey presented a summary of Stop TB's future vision for the Secretariat. The team also introduced a concept of nine principles and five recommendations for a governance reform.
9. The Executive Committee commented on the slides presented by McKinsey, especially on the necessity to keep one seat at the Board for research representatives, and technical agencies that are frequently implementing entities in high-burden TB countries. Other Executive Committee members suggested that research consortia and academia could join in the NGO constituencies in order not to lose that important voice.
10. The Executive Committee voted in the past about its commitment to expand the Board to include more civil society, communities and countries highly affected by TB and reinstated its commitment to reach at least 50% of the Board composition with representation from countries and voices most affected by TB.
11. **Action item:**
  - The Executive Committee to send written feedback to McKinsey in the next couple of weeks.
  - If necessary, the possibility to schedule an additional call about governance reform in January 2022.

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12. Next call of the Executive Committee is scheduled for 25 January 2022.