

# Executive Committee Call, 26 January 2018 Minutes

Attended:	Apologies:	Secretariat
Joanne Carter (Vice-Chair) &		
Mandy Slutker		Lucica Ditiu
Timur Abdullaev		Jenniffer Dietrich
Erika Arthun		Catie Rosado
Amy Bloom		
Paula Fujiwara		
Tereza Kasaeva		
Nalini Lachance		
Austin Obiefuna		
Aaron Oxley		
Victor Ramathesele		
Cheri Vincent		
Minutes of Discussion		Outcome(s)

## 1. 30th Board Meeting in New Delhi

The Executive Director indicated to the Executive committee that the most important dates will be the 13, 14 and 15 March. She presented the items on the agenda of the Board meeting indicating the sessions with decision points which is the case for the majority. A big event is being organized in partnership with the government of India and the WHO Southeast Asian Regional Office. Ministers invited by Stop TB that have confirmed so far are from South Africa, Nigeria, Democratic Republic of Congo, Tanzania, Zimbabwe, Peru, Brazil and Kazakhstan, in addition to heads of organizations such as the Global Fund and Unitaid. During the morning of 14 March, there will be a Financing Dialogue to discuss how to close the financial gaps to tackle TB by 2025.

The two days after the end of the Board meeting, the Lancet Commission is organizing its meeting in Delhi. The Lancet Report will come out after September 2018, however, an effort should be made to have the messages of the report reflected in the UNHLM documents.

• Executive
Committee
members are
encouraged to
further share
comments and
shape the sessions
by writing to the
Secretariat after
the call.

### 2. UN High-Level Meeting on TB

The Stop TB Secretariat alerted the Executive Committee about the need for more engagement from the entire TB world in the process of determining the modalities of the UNHLM on TB just as the date, structure and level of participation at the meeting are at the point of being decided. Following the civil society meeting organized by WHO, letters to regional and country offices were sent requesting support in engaging civil society in countries.

 The Executive Committee requested WHO to send its comments on the Key Asks



It has also developed an action plan from now until the HLM, and is working on an accountability framework that would be endorsed by the World Health Assembly. WHO member states have prepared a draft resolution for the Executive Board.

 WHO committed to regularly share all the information as it becomes available.

#### 3. Governance

Executive Committee members discussed the potential of inviting UNICEF and UNDP representatives to the Stop TB Board. These organizations are interested in collaborating around the UNHLM and beyond. Furthermore, UNDP is a principal recipient to various Global Fund grants in implementing countries.

The Executive Committee indicated the preference to decide on certain issues electronically by email due to time limitations of the Executive Committee calls.

- The Executive
  Committee
  supported inviting
  UNICEF and UNDP
  to the Board
  meeting.
- The decision about the flexible seats of the Executive Committee will be taken electronically.

#### 3. AOB

Next Executive Committee Conference Call on 16 February 2018.

 Stop TB Secretariat to send out calendar invite.