ANNOUNCING THE 28th ROUND OF APPLICATIONS TO THE GLOBAL DRUG FACILITY

The 28th round of applications to the Global Drug Facility (GDF) is now open and the secretariat is accepting applications from governments and NGOs for grants for 1 year (with or without buffer stock) first-line adult and paediatric anti-tuberculosis drugs. Please note that the GDF will no longer accept applications for term grants (i.e. 3 years) and all support will be on the basis of needs for 12 months. Eligible countries include those who have budget gaps, for example:

- Countries whose funding for the procurement of drugs has been delayed or stopped; or
- Countries whose budget is not enough to cover all drug needs, including buffer stock.

Please check application notes for details on main eligibility requirements.

**NB:** Countries currently in a term grant for adult and/or paediatrics drugs, do not need to submit a new application, but their request for further support will be reviewed under more stringent terms and conditions by the TRC. Governments will need to show a strong political commitment to counter-part funding for their anti-TB drug needs.

The closing date for applications is **Friday, 19 April 2013.**

The application materials are available on the GDF website: [http://www.stoptb.org/gdf/applying/grants.asp](http://www.stoptb.org/gdf/applying/grants.asp)

Completed forms should be submitted to the appropriate GDF portfolio officer responsible for your country with a copy to [gdf.grantapplications@gmail.com](mailto:gdf.grantapplications@gmail.com):

- **Africa (Francophone):** Ms. Andrea de Lucia ([deluciaa@who.int](mailto:deluciaa@who.int))
- **Africa (English and Lusophone):** Ms. Annette Kasi-Nsubuga ([kasinsubugaa@who.int](mailto:kasinsubugaa@who.int))
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Please visit [www.stoptb.org/gdf](http://www.stoptb.org/gdf) for more details on GDF products. Drugs available through grants include 1st line adult formulations (including patient kits) and 1st line paediatrics.
GDF grant support is dependent on recommendations by the GDF Technical Review Committee and on the availability of resources.

We encourage you to submit completed applications and supporting documents electronically. If not able to submit the documents electronically please send the application by post to the appropriate Portfolio Officer to the following address:

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The Stop TB Partnership’s Global Drug Facility (GDF) expands access to and availability of high quality TB drugs to facilitate DOTS expansion. It operates a unique pool procurement system responding to the main barriers to quality-assured TB drug access. GDF’s Direct Procurement (DP) service allows clients to use their own resources to procure quality anti-TB drugs and diagnostics equipment. GDF’s Grant service provides quality-assured adult and paediatric first-line anti-TB drugs to countries who lack adequate resources and procurement capacity via grants which are approved by a technical review committee (TRC).