

Executive Committee Call 24 June 2022

Attended:	Apologies:	Secretariat:
Austin Obiefuna (Vice-Chair)	Amy Bloom	Lucica Ditiu
	Deliana Garcia	Jenniffer Dietrich
Pierre Blais / Nasir Ebrahimkhail	Carol Nawina Nyirenda	Catie Rosado
Anand Date		
Alexandra Farnum (for Erika Arthun)		UNOPS:
Teresa Kasaeva		Andrew Kirkwood
David Lewinsohn		
Subrat Mohanty		McKinsey team:
Peter Owiti		Naina Dhingra
Purva Singh (Advisor to Board Chair)		Montana
Cheri Vincent		Xavier
	Minutes of the Call	

UNOPS matters

- 1. The Director of UNOPS in Geneva joined the call and updated the Executive Committee about the allegations against UNOPS as well as the outcomes of its Board meeting: six clear instructions to UNOPS (incl. recovery of funds, complete outstanding audits, review all oversight mechanisms beyond S3i, revise fee structure that generates the reserves, award stronger independence to ethics and audit structure). UNOPS will provide an implementation update to its Board at the next regular meeting on 30 August 2022.
- 2. The UN Board of Auditors completed its report issuing an unmodified opinion of UNOPS's statement of financial accounts for 2021. UNOPS' Director of Geneva will update the Executive Committee again when appropriate.
- The objective to lift the 'hosting end date' of 30 June 2023 in the hosting agreement that the Stop TB
 Partnership Secretariat has with UNOPS can be pursued formally during the meeting with the UNOPS adinterim Executive Director that the Executive Director and Deputy Executive Director will attend in July 2022.
- 4. The Chair of the Executive Committee mentioned that the human resources matter that Board members were made aware of by one of the staff is being dealt with by UNOPS. The Executive Committee will be updated, if needed.

5. Action items:

• Secretariat to brief the Executive Committee about the outcome of the meeting with UNOPS' interim Executive Director.



Board Strategy Review - Next Steps

- 6. The Board Strategy Review consultants navigated the Executive Committee through the decisions taken at the 35th Stop TB Partnership Board Meeting in regard to the governance reform. Following thoughts of reflection and sharing feedback received from Board participants, the Executive Committee had a discussion and agreed on ways forward, especially on how to constitute new Board seats.
- 7. The Executive Committee asked the consultants to keep in mind as a deadline for the implementation of the Board Decisions: December 2022.

8. Action item:

- Board Strategy Review consultants to implement the recommendations from the 35th Board Meeting keeping the Secretariat involved.
- Executive Committee members to get back to the external consultants and/or Secretariat with any other topics about governance that were not discussed or did not come up until now.

Secretariat Update

- The Executive Director informed the Executive Committee that the Secretariat will be offering quarterly calls
 to the Board in an effort to maintain the Board better informed about the Stop TB Partnership. These calls
 will start from early September and then continue in December 2022 and then quarterly.
- 10. The governments at the G20 meeting of ministers of health did raise their voices for tuberculosis, especially calling for the need of new tools. The second meeting of the ministers of health will be held in October 2022 and the Secretariat will follow-up at that occasion, as well as with India for next year.
- 11. The Australian and Singapore governments that are supporting the Global Health Security Conference, are organizing a session about TB with Challenge Facility grantees from that region. This is a great occasion to show once again that an investment in TB is an investment as in any other airborne disease and also in regards to health security, that protects everyone.
- 12. Furthermore, the Secretariat is also supporting civil society constituencies to send a representative to the International Aids Society Conference in Montreal, Canada.

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13. Next call of the Executive Committee is scheduled for 28 July 2022.