

SUMMARY SHEET

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Executive Summary

In 2014, TB REACH awarded 33 new grants in the Wave 4 call for proposals worth 13 million USD and awarded continuation funds to 12 projects from Wave 3 worth 3.9 million USD. A grantee meeting – the first in TB REACH's history where all grantees were able to attend – was held in Tblisi, Georgia in June. All but one of the new Wave 4 projects started case detection activities by the fourth quarter of 2014 and every active TB REACH grant was successfully transferred from WHO to UNOPS, where routine monitoring and evaluation and disbursement of funds has proceeded without any issues. At the end of 2014, 1.3 million TB patients have been treated in TB REACH project areas since the start of the initiative, saving an estimated 640,000 lives and preventing an estimated 12.8 million infections. Many successful TB REACH projects have secured long-term through domestic funding, The Global Fund, PEPFAR or other international donors and all TB REACH projects continue to build the evidence base around how to achieve and measure improvements in TB case finding.

A replenishment application worth $^{\sim}72$ million USD (90 million CAD) was submitted to the Department of Foreign Affairs Trade and Development – Canada. The application is currently under review with the Treasury Board.