

MDR-TB

Increasing Country level Political
commitment

Background

The international support model for dealing with MDR-TB needs to be revisited.

Problems identified

Levels	Bottlenecks
Country level	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• weak political commitment,• low funding• poor national coordination and management.
Supra-country level:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Poor coordination of global players; weak supply mechanisms for drugs and other funds.
Country-supra-country interaction	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• weak pull-push mechanisms and structures barriers

Actions taken

Three task forces established

- MDR-TB scale-up support function.
- Tool Supply and Procurement function.
- Monitoring and Evaluation function and GLC transition.

However...

The issue of **political commitment**, especially in countries, needs to be addressed urgently rather than later.

Recommendation of the small group

A fourth task force to be set immediately to propose actions for key countries (top 3-5 MDR-TB high-burden), and proposals on a country-by-country basis to be shared with board members for a virtual review and action in the next months.