

SUMMARY SHEET					
Agenda Nr. 1.05-15.0	Subject	KOCHON FOUNDATION AWARD			
For Information	For Discussion		For Decision		

Introduction

The KOCHON foundation (the Foundation), a non-profit scholarships making foundation registered in the Republic of Korea, has proposed LEE Chong-kun prize (the Prize) to be awarded to individuals or institutions for their outstanding achievements in combating the global tuberculosis (TB) epidemic.

The Foundation was established by the late LEE Chong-kun in 1973, who also founded the Chong Kun Dang Pharmaceutical Corporation(CKD). However, the Foundation is completely independent from CKD legally and financially. Since its establishment, the Foundation has carried out scholarship projects with over 4,800 students. Since 1997 it has awarded the Society of Biomedical Research prize to scholars residing overseas who have made an exceptional contribution to biomedical research fields.

Summary

The Foundation wants to work in cooperation with WHO and Stop TB Partnership (the Partnership) in awarding the Prize. The Prize aims to reward persons or institutions for outstanding work in combating TB, or their contribution to the formulation and implementation of anti-TB programs or education & training for TB control.

The nomination of the awardee should be made by a committee established by and within the Partnership. The selection will be approved and endorsed by The Director General of the World Health Organization. The procedure, including call for nominations, the organization of the nomination committee and award ceremony, will be managed by the Partnership. The Foundation will participate in the nomination procedure by a representative being appointed as one of nominating committee members.

The annual prize will consist of a medal and cash payment of at least US\$50,000. The Foundation will make available US\$50,000 for any administrative costs including for the awards ceremony, travel and accommodation costs of awardee etc. In case more than one person or institution is considered as awardees, the total prize sum may be divided.

Decisions requested from the Stop TB Coordinating Board

- > To accept the principle of an award from the Foundation.
- To empower the Secretariat to negotiate the legal agreements for the management of the award by the Partnership.

Next steps and time frame						
WHAT	WHO	WHEN	FOCAL POINT			
 Finalize legal arrangements with WHO Agree awarding procedure Establish nominating committee 	Nominating committee members	Autumn 2005	Secretariat			