

# The Successful UN High-Level Meeting on TB

**26<sup>th</sup> March 2023**

Stop TB Partnership Board Meeting, Varanasi, India

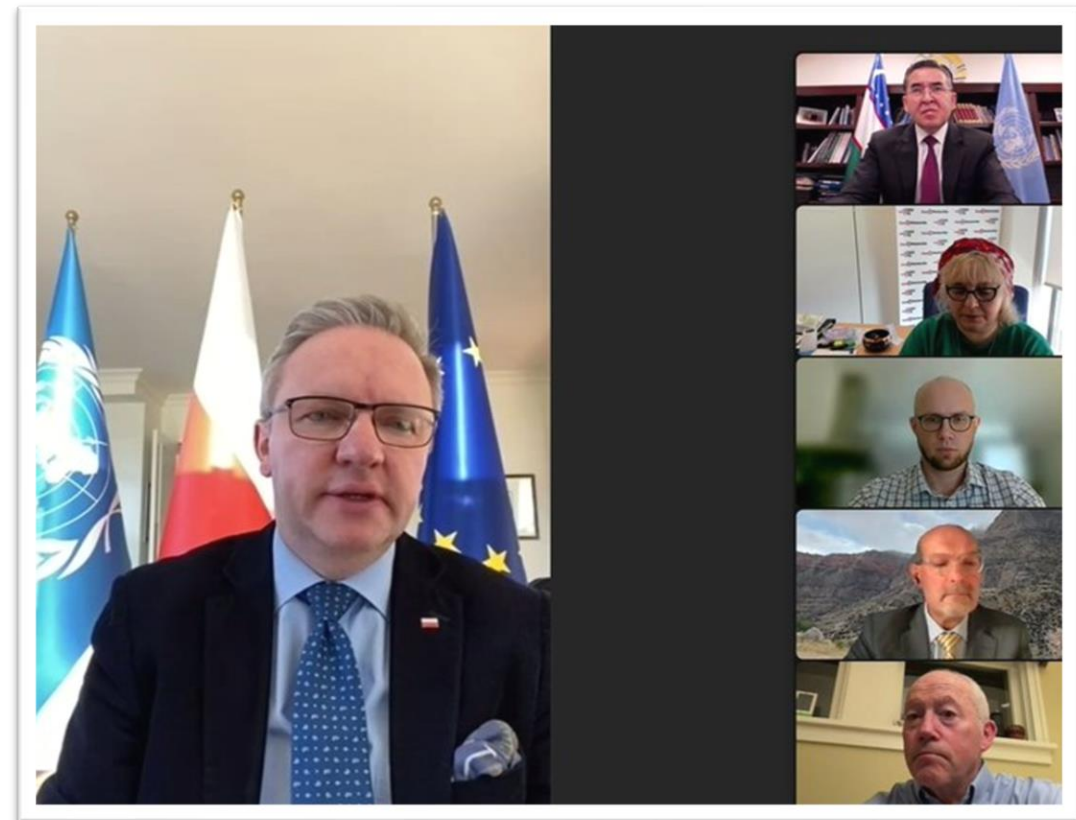
## Brief progress update June 2022- March 2023

- The UNHLM Partners group – created, regular calls, joint efforts
  - Sign-On letter to the PGA (1004 signatures from 91 countries)
- Selection and funding of Affected Communities and CSO Hub (GFAN)
- Collaboration with the Co-facilitators – Uzbekistan and Poland
- Modalities Resolution approved on 24<sup>th</sup> February
  - 22 September 2023
  - 8-9 May 2023
    - Member states requested Stop TB and WHO to support PGA in organizing Multi-stakeholder Hearing on TB
- Draft Key Asks developed & online consultation launched – more than 360 contributors with 196 of these from HBC
- Deadly Divide Report 2.0


# Engagement with the UNHLM co-facilitators


His Excellency Bakhtiyor Ibragimov, Permanent Representative of Uzbekistan to the UN

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# Advocacy efforts for the UNHLM Dates



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16th February, 2023

**Subject: Dates of the 2023 UN High-Level Meeting on TB**

Your Excellency,

Please accept our greetings on behalf of the Stop TB Partnership and the 1044 signatories from 91 countries listed below representing civil society, TB survivors and people affected by tuberculosis (TB), private sector, parliamentarians, and researchers. We are committed to ensuring that the world reaches the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and ends TB by 2030.

We thank you for your leadership as the President of the 77th Session of the UN General Assembly (UNGA) in responding to the many pressing global challenges that have arisen during your Presidency.

This year's UNGA is a critical moment in the fight against TB. Although the world has made impressive progress in the fight against COVID-19, the global TB airborne pandemic continues to affect millions of people and the world has suffered major setbacks. The 2022 WHO Global TB Report showed that 10.6 million people fell ill with TB in 2021, an increase of 4.5% from 2020 - the first time in two decades that the number of people sick with TB has increased. Deaths were also up, rising to 1.6 million from 1.5 million in 2020.

Unfortunately, the available funding in 2021 for TB implementation, research and development represented less than half of what is needed and what countries committed to in the 2018 High-Level Meeting (HLM) on TB Political Declaration.

We believe it's critical that the 2023 HLM on TB take place on Friday, 22nd September 2023 during the UNGA High-Level Week, alongside the HLMs on Pandemic Prevention Preparedness Response (PPPR) and Universal Health Coverage (UHC). This is the most effective way to ensure the highest level of participation by Heads of State and Government and to regain the momentum that enables the world to make progress on TB, PPPR and UHC. The Political Declaration and HLM remain the main global mechanism for agreeing global TB targets and action, as well as mobilizing the political commitments crucial for their implementation.

On behalf of the organizations listed below and the millions of people around the world affected by TB, we hope you will consider our request. We stand ready to actively support you in the preparations for the HLM, particularly on the interactive multi-stakeholder hearing, and to participate in the HLM. Together, we can save lives and protect communities and health systems by putting the world back on track to ending TB by 2030.


Your excellency, please accept the assurances of our highest consideration.

Yours Sincerely,

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# Multistakeholder Hearings

- New York, 8-9<sup>th</sup> May
- Half day sessions for each UNHLM- TB, UHC and PPR (potential 4<sup>th</sup> session on synergies)

## **Expected Format**

- Opening Session
- Two Panels (same as UNHLM on TB Panels)
  - Panel 1: Accelerating multisectoral actions to ensure equitable high-quality people-centred tuberculosis care, and addressing determinants of tuberculosis in the context of universal health coverage;
  - Panel 2: Scaling up adequate and sustainable national, regional and international financing to ensure equity in tuberculosis service delivery, innovative strategies, as well as for the research and development of new diagnostics, vaccines and medicines;
- Closing Session

## Multistakeholder Hearings (cont)

- Participation (as listed in Modalities): UN agencies, civil society, populations and communities vulnerable to tuberculosis, private sector, academia, medical and scientific associations, Indigenous Peoples, representative organizations of people living with, at risk of and affected by tuberculosis and HIV coinfection, of persons with disabilities and community organization
  - Stop TB and WHO submitted list of recommended speakers based on inputs from partners to President of the General Assembly who will make final decision based on geography, age, gender, variety, etc.
- Registration open until 7<sup>th</sup> April – Stop TB pressing for registrations to be confirmed asap to support Visa applications
- “Activation week” door to door missions visits - 1-7 May in NY

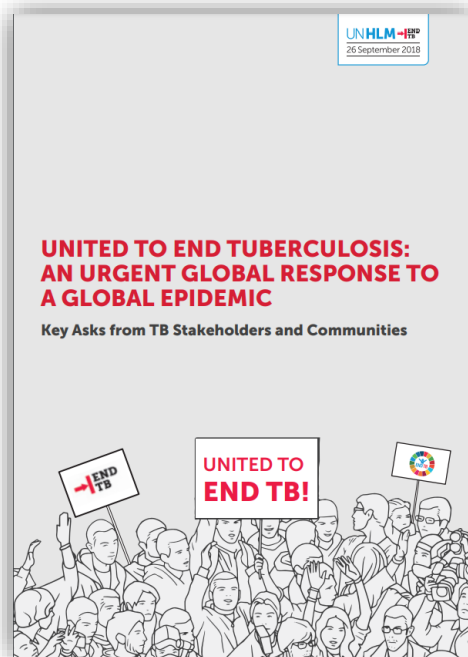
# Key Asks Headlines

- 1. Reach all people by closing the gaps on tuberculosis (TB) prevention, diagnosis, treatment and care by implementing evidence-based interventions and tools**
- 2. Transform the TB response to be equitable, inclusive, gender-sensitive, rights-based and people-centered**
- 3. Accelerate the research, development, roll-out and access to new vaccines, diagnostics, drugs and other essential new tools, including digital health technologies, to End TB**
- 4. Invest the funds necessary to End TB**
- 5. Commit to prioritize TB across systems for health: Universal Health Coverage (UHC), Primary Health Care (PHC), Pandemic Prevention, Preparedness and Response (PPPR) and Antimicrobial Resistance (AMR)**
- 6. Commit to decisive and accountable global, regional and national leadership, including regular UN reporting and review**

# Key Asks Process

- Shared with Stop TB Board members on 8<sup>th</sup> March
- Online Consultation launched 10<sup>th</sup> March – by 21 March over 360 responses received
- Final version to launch second half of April

## 2018 TB Key Asks



## Key Asks Online Consultation

### 2023 Survey on draft 'Key Asks' for the UN HLM on TB

Dear partners, colleagues and friends,

The second United Nations High-Level Meeting (HLM) on TB will be held on Friday, 22 September 2023.

A strong Political Declaration emerging from the HLM will be a powerful tool for advocacy and accountability between 2023 and 2027, and in driving progress to reverse recent setbacks in our global efforts to end TB.

A wide-ranging 'TB Key Asks' document will sum up the key priorities we expect to see in the Political Declaration. A draft of these Key Asks has been developed in recent months by Stop TB together with partners. We are now sharing the draft Key Asks with you to make sure you have an opportunity to share your views.

We request your answers no later than 11.59pm CET on Tuesday 21 March 2023. The expected time to complete this survey is approximately 10-15 minutes

Thank you for your contribution. We look forward to continuing to engage with you towards a successful HLM on TB!

The Stop TB Partnership

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# Roadmap to the UNHLM on TB 2023

24-26<sup>th</sup> March -  
One World TB  
Summit and Stop  
TB Board  
– Varanasi, India

8-9<sup>th</sup> May  
Multistakeholder  
Hearing and 1-7  
May Missions  
Visits  
- New York

13-15<sup>th</sup> May  
G7 Meeting  
- Hiroshima,  
Japan

21-30<sup>th</sup> May  
World Health  
Assembly and side-  
events – Geneva,  
Switzerland

June – Release of Political  
Declaration Zero Draft and  
NY Activation Week

# Roadmap to the UNHLM on TB 2023 cont

August  
G20 Ministers of  
Health Meeting  
– India

September  
G20 Heads of  
State Meeting  
– India

20<sup>th</sup> September  
UNHLM on PPPR  
– New York

21<sup>st</sup> September  
UNHLM on UHC  
– New York

22<sup>nd</sup> September  
UNHLM on TB  
– New York

## A successful UNHLM – Key Outcomes

- Member states and TB partners pledge new commitments and resources leading up to/at the UNHLM
- A strong, concise and targets oriented Political Declaration adopted (that reflects the Key Asks)
- A strong turnout of Heads of State and Government, and Ministers of Health
- Civil Society and Affected TB Communities voices consulted and heard at all stages of the process including through participation at national, regional, global and during UNGA
- Translation and adoption of the Political Declaration at country level (national targets, TB strategic plans, implementation and financing plans, M&E Frameworks)

# UNG week TB partners events

- Week 18 – 24 September – NY, USA
- Shared vision, coordination, alignment and communication of high level events
  - Heads of States event
  - Country led events – Nigeria, etc
  - TB Innovation Summit
  - Research and new developments
  - Prevention
  - Childhood TB
  - Kochon Prize surprise event