Virtual Special Session of the UNAIDS Programme Coordinating Board Geneva, Switzerland

8 October 2025

Decisions

The UNAIDS Programme Coordinating Board,

Recalling that all aspects of UNAIDS work are directed by the following guiding principles:

- Aligned to national stakeholders' priorities;
- Based on the meaningful and measurable involvement of civil society, especially people living with HIV and populations most at risk of HIV infection;
- Based on human rights and gender equality;
- Based on the best available scientific evidence and technical knowledge;
- Promoting comprehensive responses to AIDS that integrate prevention, treatment, care and support; and
- Based on the principle of non-discrimination;

Intersessional Decisions:

Recalling that, it has decided through the intersessional procedure (see decisions in UNAIDS/PCB (EM)/5.2:

- Recalls decision point 6.16 from the 56th PCB meeting;
- Agrees on the modalities and rules of procedure set out in the paper, Modalities and procedures for the virtual Special Session of the PCB in 2025 (UNAIDS/PCB(EM)/5.2), for the virtual 2025 PCB meeting and its preparations.

Agenda item 1.1: Opening of the meeting and adoption of the agenda

1. Adopts the agenda;

Agenda item 1.2: Consideration of the report of the 56th PCB meeting

2. Adopts the report of the 56th meeting of the Programme Coordinating Board;

Agenda item 2: UNAIDS revised operating model and UN80

- 3.1 Recalls and reaffirms all decision points pertaining to the revised operating model of the Joint Programme taken under agenda item 6 at the 56th PCB meeting in June 2025 to ensure the further transition of the Joint Programme within the wider UN system to sustain global progress towards ending AIDS as a public health threat;
- 3.2 Reiterates the importance of actively seeking coherence between the PCB's decisions on reform and transition and the ongoing discussions on the UN80 Initiative, as well as of engaging all stakeholders, including communities of people living with, affected by, or most at risk of HIV, impacted by UNAIDS reform in this process, while considering ongoing discussions on reform of the global health and development ecosystem;

Agenda item 3: 2026 Workplan and Budget

- 4.1 Approves the 2026 Workplan and Budget, including the simplified performance milestones and reporting for 2026, which supersedes the UBRAF indicator matrix (UNAIDS/PCB(EM)/5.4);
- 4.2 Approves the core budget for 2026 and the budget allocations as outlined in the 2026 Workplan and Budget (UNAIDS/PCB(EM)/5.4);
- 4.3 *Encourages* governments to make multiyear contributions and to release, as soon as possible, their annual contributions towards the 2026 Workplan and Budget;
- 4.4 Appreciates donors who have already contributed to the 2024–2025 Workplan and Budget and encourages governments who are still to contribute to release, as soon as possible, their contributions towards the 2025 budget;
- 4.5 Reaffirms the decision to request an update on the methodology used for reporting on the resources invested in community-led HIV responses and sustainable HIV responses, strengthening accountability in the new 2026 Workplan and Budget as part of the financial reporting at the 58th PCB meeting in June 2026;
- 4.6 Requests an update on the balances of the Fund Balance and Operating Reserve Fund be provided to the Programme Coordinating Board at its 57th meeting in December 2025;
- 4.7 Requests the inclusion of a narrative summary of the UNAIDS Secretariat's assets and liabilities as part of the financial reporting at the 58th PCB meeting in June 2026.

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