

Summary of the PCB Bureau meeting of 1 November 2007

Present: Prangtip Kanchanahattakij (Thailand), David Hohman (USA), Paul Spiegel (UNHCR, representing Cosponsors), Zonnibel Woods (IWHC, representing PCB NGOs) joined by telephone.

Absent: Mamadou Seck (Senegal)

UNAIDS Secretariat: As Sy (Director, PER), Helen Frary (PER/BUR), Eddy Beck (EMP) and Jacek Tyszko (PER/BUR).

Consultant for the Second Independent Evaluation of UNAIDS: Manuel Carballo

Meeting's agenda:

1. Themes and venues for the 22nd and 23rd PCB meetings
2. Second Independent Evaluation of UNAIDS
3. Other business

1. Themes and venues for the 22nd and 23rd PCB meetings

Following the request by the 20th PCB meeting the Bureau held further discussions on the themes and venues for the 22nd and 23rd PCB meetings in 2008 (23-25 April and 15-17 December respectively).

The following three themes were considered:

- Diagnosis and treatment of tuberculosis (TB) among people living with HIV and how UNAIDS can work with TB communities;
- Quality of interventions for prevention, care and treatment and the quality of technical support; and
- People on the move - migration and forced displacement.

Following the Bureau's invitation to Member States to host the 22nd PCB meeting offers were received from Thailand and Ukraine.

The Bureau agreed to propose to the 21st PCB meeting that the 22nd PCB meeting will be held on 23-25 April 2008 in Geneva or Thailand with the theme of "Diagnosis and treatment of tuberculosis (TB) among people living with HIV and how UNAIDS can work with TB communities", and that the 23rd PCB meeting will be held on 15-17 December 2008 in Geneva with the theme of "People on the move - migration and forced displacement". Should the PCB decide to hold the 22nd meeting in Geneva the Board may wish to locate the 23rd meeting outside Geneva.

These options will be presented without prejudice to the decision of the Board, under agenda item 6, with respect to whether or not Programme Coordinating Board meetings should continue to be held outside Geneva.

2. Second Independent Evaluation of UNAIDS

The Bureau reviewed the draft paper prepared by the Secretariat. Comments covered: the scope of the evaluation; outputs; process; and cost. The Bureau agreed on a new structure of the paper and the timeline for its finalization:

- 7 November – new draft based on meeting’s discussion to Bureau;
- 8 November – Bureau’s final comments;
- 9 November – document to production (editing, formatting and translation);
- 23 November – both (English and French) versions disseminated to the PCB constituencies;
- 30 November – deadline for comments;
- 4 December – Bureau’s discussion and decision on comments received and how to present them to the PCB; the options being: revision of the paper (tight for translation) or a conference room paper in English only.

3. Other Business

Next meetings: 4 December 2007 at 15h00 hrs.