

PRESS STATEMENT

UNAIDS welcomes Mark Dybul as new head of the Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria

GENEVA, 15 November 2012—The Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS (UNAIDS) congratulates Mark Dybul on his appointment as Executive Director of the Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria (Global Fund).

“Mark inspires confidence,” said Michel Sidibé, Executive Director of UNAIDS. “I fully trust that he will lead the Global Fund to new heights by strengthening partnerships and delivering results on the ground. His appointment marks a new era for the Global Fund and UNAIDS is looking forward to a strong and dynamic collaboration in the coming years.”

Dr Dybul served as the United States Global AIDS Coordinator, leading the implementation of the President's Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief during the presidency of George W. Bush. He is a distinguished scholar and currently serves as Co-Director of the Global Health Law Programme at Georgetown's O'Neill Institute for National and Global Health Law, and Senior Advisor to the President at Georgetown University.

Throughout his career, Dr Dybul has worked closely with UNAIDS serving as Vice-Chair and later Chair of UNAIDS' Programme Coordinating Board. He has received numerous awards and honours for his work in public health and infectious diseases.

As Executive Director of the Global Fund, Dr Dybul will lead its work in attracting, managing and disbursing additional resources to strengthen the global response to HIV, tuberculosis and malaria. UNAIDS looks forward to working with countries as the Global Fund transitions to a new Funding Model that focuses on country ownership and making strategic investments.

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