Note for the Record

Second Meeting of the Search Committee for the nomination of the next UNAIDS Executive Director

Date: 29 March 2019
PARTICIPANTS

Search Committee Members: H.E. Mr. Yury Ambrasevich (Belarus, serving as Chair); Mr. Amar Chemakh (Algeria); Mr. Xiaochen Yang (China); Ms. Sofia Varguez (Mexico); Ms. Julia Martin (USA); Ms. Mandep Dhaliwal (UNDP); Ms. Elizabeth Benomar (UNFPA); Ms. Nazneen Damji (UN Women); Shauna Olney (ILO); Mr. Jonathan Gunthorp (NGO Delegation, SRHR Africa Trust); Ms. Alessandra Nilo (NGO Delegation, Gestos)

Search Committee Consultant: Ms. Cindy Carlson, Public Health and Governance Specialist; Oxford Public Health Resources for Development (OXPHRD)

SUMMARY

1. The Search Committee (SC) held its second meeting in Geneva on 29 March 2019.

2. The SC discussed the feedback they received at the Special Session of the PCB on 28 March 2019.

3. The SC approved the long and short advertisements to reflect the revisions made to the letter sent to stakeholders.

4. The SC discussed the publications and outlets where the advertisements should be posted. The SC requested that the consultant and UNAIDS Secretariat provide them with details on the costs and deadlines for placing advertisements in each of the proposed journals/websites. The SC requested that the Secretariat provide a web-friendly version of the advertisement that could be posted through social media sites.

5. The SC reviewed the different options for a recruitment support mechanism. The Chair notified the SC that following outreach the UN Chief of Cabinet had advised that the UN would not be in a position to provide direct recruitment support, due to potential conflict of interest, but had agreed to provide names of approved executive search firms to assist with this work.

6. The SC agreed that an executive search firm should be identified and contracted as soon as possible following written confirmation from UN Chief of Cabinet that they are unable to serve in the capacity of recruitment support mechanism.

7. The SC discussed and approved a Statement of Work for the recruitment support mechanism.

8. The SC agreed that the next scheduled meeting date will be set as the search firm recruitment process requires. Additional updates will be provided by email to the SC.

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