

Summary of the PCB Bureau meeting of 20 April 2011

Present: Rosibel Menendez (Representing the Chair - El Salvador); Jolanta Chojecka and Wojciech Gwiazda (Representing the Vice Chair - Poland); Mokhtar Warida (representing the Rapporteur - Egypt); Nadia Rafif (Representing PCB NGOs), Jimmy Kolker, Thilly De Bodt and Natalie Amar (UNICEF, representing Cosponsors) joined by phone.

UNAIDS Secretariat: Helen Frary (CRG), Martin Good (Planning and Budget Division), Yuki Takemoto (CRG)

Meeting agenda:

1. Draft agenda for 28th PCB meeting
 2. PCB subcommittee on the Unified Budget, Results and Accountability Framework (UBRAF)
 3. Themes for PCB meetings in 2012
 4. Any other business
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1. Draft agenda for 28th PCB meeting

- The Bureau agreed the draft agenda for the 28th PCB meeting noting the following changes from the last version:
 - In response to requests from Cosponsors to be involved in developing the proposal for programmatic and thematic evaluations, the Bureau agreed to consider the issue for the 29th PCB meeting in December 2011.
 - The country case study under item 5 (UBW) will be on the Philippines and the one under item 6 (UBRAF) will be on Nigeria. These case studies will be submitted to the Board as Conference Room papers, but the Secretariat will make an effort to translate them if time allows.
 - For the ease of readers, the UBRAF will now consist of two documents, the second being a compilation of appendices.
 - There will be a case study on the Division of Labour (DOL) under item 6 to be presented by WHO as the convener for 'Prevent people living HIV from dying of TB'. No documentation is planned for this item.
- The Secretariat informed the Bureau that the agreed agenda will accompany the invitations to the 28th PCB meeting scheduled to be sent on 21 April and will also be made available through the UNAIDS website.
- The Chair reminded the Bureau that, to the extent possible, PCB documents should be kept short in part to ensure timely translation into French.

2. PCB subcommittee on UBRAF

The Secretariat provided a brief update on the work around UBRAF following the second Multi-stakeholder consultation on 18 April and the second meeting of the PCB subcommittee on UBRAF on 19 April.

- Key points raised at the second multi-stakeholder consultation (18 April)
 - Budget to remain at the same level as 2012-2011
 - Added value of UNAIDS to emerge more clearly in results framework and budget
 - Role of civil society to be better reflected, including resourcing of civil society and a process for developing common standards for working with civil society
 - Accountability of Cosponsors to be explained more clearly, in particular in relation to non-core resources
 - Role of the Secretariat to be articulated more clearly
 - Resource allocation to be refined and explained further and presented in additional ways
 - Results matrix and budget matrix to be integrated
 - Indicators to be further refined, and baselines and targets to be added where these do not exist and this is possible
 - Detailed workplans for the Cosponsors and Secretariat at global, regional and country level to be developed following the PCB in June
 - Other comments made at the consultation to be taken into account in further development and finalisation of UBRAF
- The PCB subcommittee on 2012-2015 UBRAF considered the issues raised through the multi-stakeholder consultations and agreed that it had been an extremely productive exercise.
- Time line for finalisation of 2012-2015 UBRAF:

25 April	Proposed deadline for final comments on UBRAF from the PCB subcommittee
26 April	Draft final UBRAF to be shared with Cosponsors for endorsement
2-6 May	Finalisation of 2012-2015 UBRAF followed by editing and translation
Week of 30 May	Pre-PCB stakeholder briefings
21-23 June	28th PCB meeting

3. Themes for PCB meetings in 2012

The Bureau reviewed the nine proposals that were received noting the importance of all of them. Following extensive discussions based on the criteria for thematic segments previously agreed by the Board (i.e. broad relevance, responsiveness, focus, scope for action), the Bureau agreed the following:

30th PCB meeting, June 2012:

- Mindful of the urgency and relevance of the theme on prevention, the Secretariat will prepare a revised description for the theme *“The ‘prevention revolution’ and the urgent need to reinvigorate HIV prevention responses globally to halt and reverse the spread of the AIDS epidemic,”* incorporating the theme *“Co-infections HIV/HBV and HIV/HCV in the framework of reinforcement of cooperation between UNAIDS and NGOs.”* The revised description will be circulated electronically for agreement by the Bureau.
- The rationale for the Bureau's decision above included the following:

- There was unanimous support for a theme that focuses on prevention as an urgent and relevant issue globally.
- The theme on HIV/HBV and HIV/HCV co-infections, proposed by Poland, would be timely given the strong possibility of Poland proposing to host the 30th meeting and the importance of the theme for Eastern Europe and Central Asia. This theme also responds to an earlier decision by the Board that was based on a proposal by PCB NGOs (ref. PCB 22/rec. 6.2):

Requests WHO and the UNAIDS Secretariat to look at ways in which they can initiate work among the Cosponsors on HIV & Hepatitis C Virus co-infection and report back at a future PCB meeting

31st PCB meeting, December 2012:

- The Bureau agreed to postpone the decision on the theme for the 31st meeting, to be taken at the 29th meeting in December 2011 instead. It is hoped that this will allow the Bureau to consider and recommend the most timely theme based on the valuable inputs received to date.

4. Any other business

- In response to the question raised by the Africa group at the last Bureau meeting (14 March) regarding follow up to recommendation 9.1 from the 27th PCB meeting (below), the Secretariat reported that it is currently exploring the possibility of having these issues to be included in the agenda of the morning meeting of African Ministers held during the World Health Assembly.

Requests the Executive Director of UNAIDS to advocate as a matter of priority for the inclusion of the following points on the agenda of the side meeting of the African Regional Ministers of Health during the World Health Assembly in May 2011, and the United Nations High Level Meeting in June 2011:

- a. *the issue of funding for Universal Access, in particular for treatment in the context of the 2010 WHO guidelines on Antiretroviral therapy; and*
 - b. *the issue of accessibility to and affordability of quality medicines, especially second- and third-line medicines and tests used for the diagnosis and monitoring of immunological and virological parameters;*
- The Secretariat informed the Bureau that for the first time, participants for the upcoming PCB meeting will be asked to register on-line. Details will be included in the invitation letters and PCB website (below).

<http://www.unaids.org/en/aboutunaids/unaidsprogrammeordinatingboard/upcomingmeetingofunaidspcb/name.58344.en.html>