

## UNAIDS PCB Bureau

### MEETING SUMMARY

DATE: Thursday, 21 March 2013

### PARTICIPANTS

Dr Rajesh Ranjan (India: chairing); Dr Timothy Poletti (Australia); Ms Fernande Mvila (Republic of Congo); Ms Jane Bruning and Mr Joel Nana (PCB NGO Delegation); and Ms Soo-Hyang Choi (UNESCO: Representing UNAIDS Cosponsors).

**UNAIDS Secretariat:** Jan Beagle; Morten Ussing; Samia Lounnas.

### MEETING AGENDA

#### 1. Preparations for the 32nd PCB meeting

##### a. Draft agenda for 32nd the PCB meeting

*The Bureau will approve the agenda for the 32nd PCB meeting.*

##### b. Concept note on HIV in the Post-2015 Framework

*The Bureau will review a concept note for the development of the PCB paper on the AIDS Response in the Post-2015 Development Agenda.*

#### 2. Process to follow-up thematic segments

*The Bureau will discuss the process to follow-up thematic segments taking into account previous discussions in Bureau and Board meetings.*

#### 3. Any other business

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### SUMMARY

Dr Rajesh Ranjan, representing the PCB Bureau Chair, welcomed the participants to the second Bureau meeting. He reminded members that the summary from the first meeting of the Bureau was circulated by the Secretariat for comments and subsequently posted on the UNAIDS PCB Bureau website.

#### 1. Preparations for the 32nd PCB meeting

##### a. Draft agenda for the 32nd PCB meeting

Ms Jan Beagle, Deputy Executive Director of UNAIDS, started by summarizing the key outcomes of the Multistakeholder Consultation on the UBRAF held on 4 March. She indicated that this Consultation had been an opportunity to take stock of lessons learned so far in the implementation of the UBRAF and to reflect these in the development of the 2014-15 budget.

The Bureau then reviewed the draft annotated agenda for the 32nd PCB meeting including the items confirmed by the Bureau at its first meeting on 1 March. The Secretariat provided additional specific information on some issues as follows:

- ***Follow-up to the thematic segment from the 31st PCB meeting on Non-Discrimination:*** The summary report is under preparation and will be shared with Bureau members shortly for comments.
- ***Leadership in the AIDS response:*** The Secretariat indicated that information on the keynote speaker and theme will be communicated to Bureau members when available.

As a follow-up to the PCB NGO Delegation request to postpone the presentation of their report to the 33rd PCB meeting in December 2013, the Secretariat suggested that the item in response to Decision Point 5.5 from the 30th PCB (June 2012) could be considered under the PCB NGO report during the 33rd PCB meeting in December 2013. Ms Beagle confirmed to the PCB NGO Delegation that in the meantime Ms Mariangela Simao, Director of Rights, Gender and Community Mobilization, UNAIDS Secretariat, will be in touch with the PCB NGO Delegation to move forward the preparations.

In response to the written request to Bureau Members from Ms Jane Bruning to amend approved decisions points from the 30th PCB meeting in June 2012 under the PCB NGO report agenda item, the Secretariat clarified that it would not be possible to reopen the agreed decisions from previous PCB meetings. It was noted that the PCB NGO Delegation may wish to bring the issue of resource trends for civil society in the AIDS response as part of the PCB NGO report.

#### **Conclusions of the Bureau on the draft agenda for the 32nd PCB meeting (25-27 June 2013)**

- PCB NGO Delegation agreed to have the issue of resource trends addressed under the PCB NGO report that will be presented at the 33rd PCB meeting in December 2013.
- Bureau members approved the draft annotated agenda of the 32nd PCB meeting (25-27 June 2013). The Bureau Chair requested the UNAIDS Secretariat to post it on the PCB website and start preparations for the meeting accordingly.

#### **b. Concept note on development of the paper on the AIDS Response in the Post-2015 Development Agenda**

The PCB Bureau Chair reminded Bureau members that a concept note for this paper, including a process and timeline to establish a PCB working group on AIDS in the Post-2015 development agenda, had been sent by the Secretariat to the members of the Bureau for their consideration.

The Secretariat presented the concept note on AIDS in the Post-2015 Development Framework, noting that the Committee of Cosponsoring Organizations would have a

discussion on “AIDS in the Post-2015 Development Agenda” at its meeting on 4 April in Madrid, Spain. The PCB paper would, in part, build on the outcome of this meeting, as well as the Post-2015 health thematic consultation (Botswana) and other related discussions, including on the shared responsibility and global solidarity agenda.

A Bureau member suggested adding a section in the PCB paper describing the broader context of the Post-2015 discussion. It was also suggested by most members to review the timeline by including two additional milestones (12 April: working group to receive from Secretariat an annotated outline of the PCB paper and 26 April: working group to receive from Secretariat, a draft PCB paper before conclusion of the work of the working group on the 30 April).

### **Conclusions of the Bureau on concept note on development of the paper on the AIDS Response in the Post-2015 Development Framework**

- Additions to the concept note and timeline as suggested by Bureau members will be included in the final documents (terms of reference and concept note) that will be sent to PCB Members.
- Bureau requested UNAIDS Secretariat to send an invitation (including background documents), as indicated in the timeline, to all PCB members for them to express interest to be part of the AIDS Response in the Post-2015 Development Framework PCB working group by 8 April.

## **2. Process to Follow-up thematic segments**

Ms Beagle reminded Bureau members of the objectives of the thematic sessions as approved by the 21st PCB in December 2007 and confirmed by the SIE PCB Task Force on Governance Related Issues at the 25th PCB meeting in December 2009. The objectives are to: i.) foster dialogue, facilitate shared learning and promote mutual accountability among different actors, thus strengthening global coordination on AIDS; ii.) bring broad-based, multi-stakeholder policy debates on key emerging themes to bear more directly on the operations of the Joint Programme; and iii.) bring the vast expertise, know-how developed within the Joint Programme to bear more directly on the work a wide range of actors in the AIDS response.

The Secretariat provided Bureau members with a short background on the history of thematic sessions of the PCB meetings. It was also reminded that in 2012, the PCB Bureau, chaired by Poland, agreed on a process for follow-up of thematic session including that the summary of the session will be prepared by UNAIDS Secretariat and will focus on proceedings and conclusions of the day. The summary report would be cleared by the Bureau. It was also recalled that the Bureau in 2012 did not reach agreement on whether to include decision points as part of the follow-up to thematic segments. The Bureau had agreed to proceed on a case-by-case basis. Finally, it was recalled that during the deliberations at the 31st PCB meeting, several PCB Members expressed a clear preference for not having decisions as a follow-up to thematic segments.

Bureau members discussed how best to address the challenges encountered during Board meetings on the follow-up of thematic sessions and agreed to proceed on the basis agreed by the Bureau in 2012 (summary report prepared by the Secretariat and cleared by Bureau). With regard to the inclusion of decision points, it was agreed to proceed on a case-by-case basis. Some Bureau members suggested that the follow-up of thematic session management be discussed at a future Board meeting.

### **Conclusions of the Bureau on follow-up to thematic segments**

- **The summary report** will be prepared by the Secretariat and will focus on proceedings and conclusions of the day.
- **Decision points:** in view of the different positions amongst the broader Board membership, the 2013 Bureau recommends to follow a case-by-case approach. For this upcoming follow-up of the thematic segment, it was agreed to propose that the PCB takes note of the summary report prepared by the Secretariat.

### **3. Any other business**

- The Secretariat informed the Bureau members on the need to **change the dates of the December 33rd PCB meeting to 17-19 December 2013** instead of 10-12 December 2013 as approved by the PCB at its 28th meeting. It was explained that subsequent to the decision on the dates for the 33rd PCB meeting, the 17th International Conference on AIDS and STIs in Africa (ICASA) 2013 was scheduled to take place 7-11 December 2013. The first week of December was not an option as it would coincide with the Global Fund Board meeting. **Bureau members requested the Secretariat to send, on behalf of the PCB Chair, a communication to all PCB stakeholders informing on the change of date.**
- **Report from the 31st PCB meeting:** The Secretariat informed that the report will be sent to Bureau members shortly for comments before posting on the PCB website.
- UNESCO informed participants that they will be sending to the Secretariat the revised title for the thematic segment of the 33rd PCB meeting in December 2013 as discussed in the first meeting of the Bureau (1 March). The current title is “**HIV and young people**”. The Secretariat will then communicate by email the revised title to the Bureau Members.
- The Bureau agreed on the date and time for the **next Bureau meeting (Tuesday, 14 May: 9h-11h a.m.)**.

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