

24 June 2022

**50<sup>th</sup> Session of the UNAIDS Programme Coordinating Board  
Geneva, Switzerland**

**21 – 24 June 2022**

**Decisions**

The UNAIDS Programme Coordinating Board,

Recalling that all aspects of UNAIDS work are directed by the following guiding principles:

- Aligned to national stakeholders' priorities;
- Based on the meaningful and measurable involvement of civil society, especially people living with HIV and populations most at risk of HIV infection;
- Based on human rights and gender equality;
- Based on the best available scientific evidence and technical knowledge;
- Promoting comprehensive responses to AIDS that integrate prevention, treatment, care and support; and
- Based on the principle of non-discrimination;

*Intersessional Decisions:*

Recalling that, it has decided through the intersessional procedure (see decisions in UNAIDS/PCB(50)/22.2; UNAIDS/PCB (50)/22.3; UNAIDS/PCB (50)/22.4 and UNAIDS/PCB (50)/22.17):

- *Agrees* that the PCB Bureau will determine no later than 60 days ahead of the meeting if the 50th meeting of the Programme Coordinating Board will be virtual, hybrid or in-person; and that if the meeting will be held virtually or as a hybrid meeting, it will exceptionally include an additional day and be held on 21 – 24 June 2022;
- *Agrees* that the PCB Bureau will determine no later than 60 days ahead of the meeting if the 51st meeting of the Programme Coordinating Board will be virtual, hybrid or in-person; and that if the meeting will be held virtually or as a hybrid meeting, it will exceptionally include an additional day and be held on 13 – 16 December 2022;
- *Agrees* that, exceptionally, the thematic segment topic for the June meeting as approved in decision point 10.1 of the 49th PCB meeting will be shifted to the December meeting and the thematic segment topic previewed for the December meeting will be shifted to the June meeting. Accordingly, the topics will be:
  - Positive Learning: harnessing the power of education to end HIV-related stigma and discrimination and empower young people living with HIV (June 2022);
  - HIV and men, in all their diversity, how can we get our responses back on track? (December 2022);

- *Agrees* on the modalities and rules of procedure set out in the paper, Modalities and procedures for the 2022 UNAIDS PCB meetings, for the virtual and hybrid 2022 PCB meetings and their preparations;
- *Recalls* decision point 7.4 from the 49th PCB meeting, approving the composition of the Expert Advisory Committee on Evaluation proposed by the PCB Bureau for the period 2022-2023 as mentioned in annex 1 of the 2021 annual report (UNAIDS/PCB (49)/21.28);
- *Approves* the nomination of the candidate from Eastern Europe to serve on the UNAIDS Evaluation Expert Advisory Committee;
- *Requests* the Evaluation Office to revise the annex of the 2021 Annual Evaluation Report to reflect the final composition of the Committee;
- *Recalls* decision point 11 from the 49<sup>th</sup> PCB meeting, approving the composition of the NGO Delegation;
- *Approves* the nomination of the candidate from Latin America and the Caribbean region as mentioned in paragraph 11 from the Report on the Composition of the NGO Delegation;
- *Recalls* Decision Point 13.3 from the 47th PCB meeting approving the terms of reference for the UNAIDS Independent External Oversight Advisory Committee (IEOAC);
- *Takes note* of the report on the establishment of the UNAIDS IEOAC;
- *Approves* the composition of the UNAIDS IEOAC for 2022–2023 as submitted by the PCB Bureau; and
- *Looks forward* to the first report of the UNAIDS IEOAC at the 50th PCB meeting in June 2022.

#### **Agenda item 1: Opening of the meeting and adoption of the agenda**

1. *Adopts* the agenda;

#### **Agenda item 1.2: Consideration of the report of the 49<sup>th</sup> PCB meeting**

2. *Adopts* the report of the 49<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Programme Coordinating Board;

#### **Agenda item 1.3: Report of the Executive Director**

3. *Takes note* of the report of the Executive Director;

#### **Agenda item 1.4. Report of the Chair of the Committee of Cosponsoring Organisations**

4. *Takes note* of the report of the Chair of the Committee of Cosponsoring Organisations;

#### **Agenda item 2: Follow-up to the thematic segment from the 49<sup>th</sup> PCB meeting**

- 5.1 *Takes note* of the background note (UNAIDS/PCB (49)/21.34) and the summary report (UNAIDS/PCB (50)/22.7) of the Programme Coordinating Board thematic segment on “What does the regional and country level data tell us, are we listening, and how can we better leverage that data and related technology to meet our 2025 and 2030 goals?”;

5.2 *Requests Member States to:*

- a) Strengthen people-centred, confidential national patient monitoring and case surveillance systems, including the use of periodic surveys of key populations, and leverage disaggregated data to identify location- and population-based gaps in services;
- b) Collaborate with communities of people living with, affected by, and most at risk of HIV and in need of HIV services to develop and strengthen their capacity and dedicate, as needed, the necessary financial resources for robust, quality and reliable community-led monitoring of the affordability, availability, acceptability and quality of services, and foster the use of reliable and quality-assured complementary data from community-led monitoring in national and subnational programme planning, management and evaluation;
- c) Consider developing and implementing plans for the collection of data on societal enablers that help to understand national legal, policy and social barriers faced by communities of people living with, affected by, or most at risk of HIV and in need of HIV services, and guiding efforts to remove such barriers, including through the establishment of enabling legal and policy environments for HIV services with full respect of human rights that address inequalities and inequities;
- d) Provide the funding needed for the Joint Programme to support countries to develop and implement robust systems for the monitoring and evaluation of national HIV responses;
- e) Report data to UNAIDS through the Global AIDS Monitoring as fully as possible on an annual basis to monitor the implementation of AIDS responses and promote the voice and enhance the meaningful engagement of communities of people living with, affected by, and most at risk of HIV and in need of HIV services in line with and throughout national reporting processes;

5.3 *Requests the Joint Programme to:*

- a) Support countries to incorporate evidence-informed national targets that reflect the scope and granularity of the 2025 targets laid out in the Global AIDS Strategy into their national HIV response plans and monitor progress against these targets;
- b) Recognizing national capacity, encourage and support countries, upon their request, to develop and implement plans for the collection of data for HIV service coverage, societal enablers, integration, financing and impact, and support efforts to establish enabling legal and policy environments for quality and comprehensive HIV services that address inequalities;
- c) Continue to regularly collate country data, and make those data available to stakeholders and produce detailed reports to the international community on global progress towards 2025 and 2030 targets;

5.4 *Calls on all stakeholders to safeguard at all times and under any circumstances the confidentiality of personal data collected and used in the response to HIV and AIDS in accordance with internationally recognized data protection and privacy frameworks, given the sensitivity of all data related to HIV and AIDS;*

## **Agenda item 4: UNAIDS Unified Budget, Results and Accountability Framework 2016-2021**

### **Agenda item 4.1: Performance Monitoring Reporting**

- 6.1 *Takes note with appreciation* of the 2020-2021 Performance Monitoring Reports, including its scope and depth;
- 6.2 *Encourages* all constituencies to use UNAIDS' annual performance monitoring reports to meet their reporting needs and as a basis for programme planning and implementation;
- 6.3 Noting the limited progress in HIV prevention, *urges* UNAIDS Joint Programme to support countries to increase financial and non-financial investments in and implementation of all the necessary multisectoral combination prevention measures.

### **Agenda item 4.2 Financial Reporting**

- 6.4 *Accepts* the financial report and audited financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2021;
- 6.5 *Takes note* of the interim financial management update for the 2022-2023 biennium for the period 1 January 2022 to 31 March 2022, including the replenishment of the Building Renovation Fund;
- 6.6 *Takes note* of the budget shortfall and challenging resource mobilization environment and *calls* on donor governments to release their contributions towards the 2022-2026 Unified Budget, Results and Accountability Frameworks early and to make multiyear contributions, and to strongly consider increases to their contributions to facilitate a strong UNAIDS Joint Programme response to the Global AIDS Strategy;
- 6.7 *Requests* the PCB Bureau to urgently convene an informal inclusive task team of interested PCB members, observers, cosponsors, the PCB NGO delegation and other stakeholders on options for resolving the immediate funding crisis for the 2022-2023 biennium and report back to the PCB electronically by 30 July 2022 on outcomes and recommendations of these discussions;
- 6.8 In advance of the next UNAIDS Structured Financing Dialogue, *calls* on the PCB Bureau to utilize the informal multistakeholder task team to develop recommendations on voluntarily based sustainable funding of the UBRAF, to be presented and discussed at the December 2022 PCB meeting;

## **Agenda item 5: Indicator matrix for the 2022-2026 UBRAF and Indicators, milestones, targets and data sources for the 2022-2023 Workplan and Budget<sup>1</sup>**

- 7.1 Recalling the decision points 6.1-6.3 under agenda item 4, including its footnote, from the 49<sup>th</sup> PCB meeting, *takes note* of the Indicator Matrix for the 2022-2026 Unified Budget, Results and Accountability Framework (UBRAF) and the indicators, milestones, targets and data sources for the 2022-2023 Workplan and Budget (UNAIDS/PCB (50/22.14) and *requests* the UNAIDS Executive Director to add the annex to the 2022-2026 UBRAF Framework (UNAIDS/PCB (EM)/4.2) and the 2022-2023 Workplan and Budget (UNAIDS/PCB (49)/21.27);
- 7.2 *Reaffirms* decision point 6.4 from the 49<sup>th</sup> PCB meeting that the UNAIDS Joint Programme shall report annually to the Programme Coordinating Board on the implementation of the 2022-2026 UBRAF Framework through the related performance and financial reporting agenda items from June 2023;
- 7.3 *Notes with appreciation* the efforts and expertise provided by the Joint Programme and members of the UBRAF working group consisting of evaluation experts including members of civil society in developing the indicator matrix to monitor the performance of the Joint Programme and track the progress towards achieving the targets of the Global AIDS Strategy 2021-2026;
- 7.4 *Recognises* that achieving results against the 2022-2026 UBRAF indicators requires adherence to the Global AIDS Strategy 2021-2026, including addressing the structural barriers and inequalities driving the AIDS epidemic and adequately resourcing community-led and youth-led responses;
- 7.5 *Requests* the Executive Director to establish a working group, for the development of the next UBRAF, to be operational by January 2025;

## **Agenda item 6: Update on strategic human resources management issues**

8. *Takes note* of the Update on strategic human resources management issues and *requests* the Secretariat to include human resources statistics in future annual updates;

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<sup>1</sup> The Russian Federation disassociates itself from certain provisions of Indicator matrix for the 2022-2026 UBRAF and Indicators, milestones, targets and data sources for the 2022-2023 Workplan and Budget, including from the use of terminology “gender-responsive” and “gender-transformative”, aligned with its disassociation from parts of the UBRAF 2022-2026, Workplan and Budget 2022-2023 and the Global AIDS Strategy 2021-2026.

## **Agenda item 7: Statement by the representative of the UNAIDS Secretariat Staff Association**

9. *Takes note* of the statement by the representative of the UNAIDS Secretariat Staff Association and *underscores* the importance of prioritizing staff wellbeing and continuity of core functions in the UNAIDS Secretariat staff restructuring process;

## **Agenda item 8: Organizational Oversight Reports**

- 10.1 *Takes note* of the report of the ethics office;
- 10.2 *Accepts* the External Auditor's Report for the financial year ended 31 December 2021;
- 10.3 *Takes note* of the Internal Auditor's Report for the financial year ended 31 December 2021 and *reiterates* the PCB's zero tolerance policy towards fraud, sexual exploitation, abuse and harassment;
- 10.4 *Welcomes with appreciation and takes notes* of the first report of the Independent External Oversight Advisory Committee and *looks forward* to their next report in 2023;
- 10.5 *Takes note* of the Management response to the Organizational Oversight Reports;
- 10.6 In follow-up to recommendation 6 of the Report of the External Auditor, *requests* UNAIDS, to strengthen the regulation of Programme Funding Agreements, drawing on the World Health Organization's Framework for Engagement of Non-state Actors where applicable and taking into account the unique mandate and operating model of the Joint Programme;

## **Agenda item 9: 51<sup>st</sup> PCB meeting**

- 11.1 *Recalls* the intersessional decisions on the modalities and procedures of the 2022 PCB meetings and decision point 12.3 from the 45<sup>th</sup> PCB meeting; and
- 11.2 *Agrees that*, if the 51<sup>st</sup> PCB meeting is held in a hybrid (13-16 December 2022) or fully in-person (13-15 December 2022) format, it shall be held in Thailand.

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