

## UNAIDS PCB BUREAU

### MEETING SUMMARY

DATE: Wednesday 31 May 2017

### PARTICIPANTS

Ms Laila Heward-Mills (Ghana: Chair); Mr Daniel Graymore, Mr Phil Johnston (United Kingdom: representing the Vice-Chair); Mr Hideaki Nishizawa (Japan: representing the Rapporteur) Mr Jeffry Acaba and Mr. Kene Esom (representing the PCB NGO Delegation); Ms Nazneen Damji and Ms Elena Kudravtseva (UN Women: representing UNAIDS Cosponsors).

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### MEETING AGENDA

- 1. Update, Regular Segment at the 40th PCB meeting**  
*The Bureau will receive brief updates on key items of the regular segment at the upcoming Board meeting.*
- 2. Update, Thematic Segment at the 40th PCB meeting: *HIV Prevention 2020: a global partnership for delivery***  
*The Bureau will receive a brief update on the agenda and preparations for the thematic segment at the 40th PCB meeting.*
- 3. Any other business**

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## SUMMARY

### Opening remarks

Ms Laila Heward-Mills, representing the PCB Chair, welcomed participants to the second meeting of the Bureau before the 40th PCB meeting.

The chair welcomed Mr Hideaki Nishizawa, the newly elected Rapporteur for the UNAIDS PCB Bureau in 2017.

After adoption of the agenda, the chair passed the floor to the Secretariat to present the preparations of each agenda item of the 40th PCB meeting (27-29 June 2017).

## **1. Update, Regular Segment at the 40th PCB meeting**

- The draft annotated agenda of the 40th PCB meeting was posted on 21 March in English and French.
- The report of the 39th PCB meeting was posted in English and French on 29 May after clearance by Switzerland, the PCB Chair in 2016.
- Invitations were sent to all constituencies and the Note Verbale and information were posted on the UNAIDS website on 28 April.

Additional updates on specific agenda items were provided as follows:

### **(1.3) Report of the Executive Director**

UNAIDS Secretariat provided the following update:

- The outline of the report will be available few days before the 40th PCB meeting. It will provide the most important achievements in the global AIDS response over the past six months as well as an emphasis on the refined operating model of the Joint Programme.

### **(1.4) Report of the Chair of the Committee of the Cosponsoring Organisations (CCO)**

- The report is currently being finalized. In addition to the annexes which reflect the interventions of each Cosponsor, there will be an outline of the speech of the Chair of the CCO. \ Cosponsor annexes will also be included in an effort to address concerns expressed by the PCB on presentation of the HIV work of individual Cosponsors to supplement the joint results.

## **(2) Leadership in the AIDS Response**

The Secretariat informed that the item provides the possibility for the UNAIDS Executive Director to invite a guest speaker.

## **(3) Refined operating model of the United Nations Joint Programme on HIV/AIDS**

- The report is currently being finalized between the Executive Director and the Heads of agency in the Cosponsoring organizations.
- It responds to the work of the Global Review Panel and the multistakeholder consultation.
- The paper sets out an action plan to implement the recommendations of the Global Review Panel, which has been developed by the Joint Programme and with the engagement of Heads of Cosponsoring agencies
- The report of the Global Review Panel will also be available as a conference room paper.

#### **(4) UBRAF 2016-2021**

##### **(4.1) Performance reporting**

The two performance monitoring reports are in the clearance process and will be posted shortly.

- A summary report of the performance of UNAIDS Cosponsors and Secretariat
- A more comprehensive report with more details of achievements, challenges and lessons learned in the first year of the 2016-2021 UBRAF
- The report of the independent evaluation of the partnership between UNAIDS and the Global Fund will be presented as a conference room paper.
- We will also present additional information to the Board online, as has been previous practice.

##### **(4.2) Financial reports**

- The two financial reports are finalized and currently in the clearance process. They will be posted shortly :
  - financial report and audited financial statements for 2016
  - financial management update for 2017
- The reports of the external and internal auditors are presented together with the financial reports as per established practice.
- The financial and performance reports do not differ significantly from past reports, except that they are more comprehensive, in response to the request from the PCB at its 38th meeting in June last year for more information on how the Cosponsors use the core UBRAF funding, and results achieved (decision 7.27).

##### **(4.3) Budget 2018-2019**

- The budget for the period 2018-2019 is in the clearance process and will be posted shortly.
- The 2018-2019 budget presents a new, dynamic and differentiated resource planning, mobilization, allocation and accountability model for the Joint Programme. Work on the budget started in January/February with regional consultations and discussions with the Cosponsors in parallel with the work of the Global Review Panel. In the last month, following the multi-stakeholder consultation on the report of the Review Panel, finalisation of the budget has intensified.
- The budget has been developed taking into account decisions of the PCB and recommendations of the Review Panel. A key feature of the budget is that the centrality of countries has been strengthened. For the first time, the budget of the Joint Programme identifies specific targets and actions needed in the countries most impacted by AIDS to reach the Fast-Track targets by 2020. These in turn define what the Joint Programme will be held accountable for.

Four key features of the 2018-2019 budget are:

- A. A dynamic and differentiated resource planning and allocation model based on the recommendations of the Global Review Panel
  - Adequately resourcing the Secretariat and protecting the Secretariat's core funding for its leadership, advocacy, strategic information and accountability functions;
  - Providing a minimum allocation from the core budget to each Cosponsor to offer a degree of predictability in fulfilling respective roles and engagement.
  
- B. Priorities and actions to achieve the Fast-Track targets drive resource planning and allocation
  - Beyond a minimum core allocation of US\$ 2 million per year for each Cosponsor, additional funding will be available in the form of country envelopes;
  - Country envelopes focus on Fast-Track countries and populations in greatest need in other countries, based on contextual priorities and bottom-up approaches.
  
- C. A new resource mobilization model, reflecting a new financial reality, in which the Cosponsors assume greater responsibility
  - The total amount that the Secretariat expects to raise against the core budget has been reduced from US\$ 242 million to US\$ 184 million per year;
  - To reach a fully funded UBRAF - US\$ 58 million per year - is expected to be raised in supplemental funds by the Cosponsors and through joint resource mobilization.
  
- D. Accountability enhanced through a more transparent and precise monitoring and evaluation framework
  - The analysis of progress against milestones, targets and indicators will be improved and more details will be provided on core and non-core expenditures;
  - The quantity and quality of independent evaluations will be increased and sustained with regular reporting back to the Board.

Finally the Bureau was informed that the indicators in the 2016-2021 UBRAF were developed by the PCB working group and have been refined based on feedback and experience during the first year of reporting. Validation of a few indicators is ongoing and the milestones and targets included in the UBRAF will be reviewed in the second half of this year and revised, as necessary, taking into account progress achieved, UNAIDS financial situation and resource outlook.

**(5) Follow-up to the thematic segment from the 39th PCB meeting – HIV and ageing.**

- The report was posted in English and French on Friday 26 May.
- The report was sent on behalf of the Chair to the Bureau for clearance on 29 March 2017.
- The Secretariat received comments on the report from the PCB NGOs (supplementing the discussion in the PCB Bureau) on 4 April. The comments included amendments and additions to the proposed decision points.
- These were reviewed with the Chair and the report was revised on this basis and re-submitted for final clearance to the Bureau on 5 May. Additional comments from the PCB NGOs were received on 9 May which were taken in consideration in the final report.
- The Secretariat finalized the report with the Chair and posted it online on the 26 May.

## **(6) Update on strategic human resources management issues**

- The report is currently being finalized.
- The paper outlines key strategic elements of human resource management in the Secretariat over the past year, workforce planning, staff development, recruitment and, mobility, skill developments, performance management and staff wellbeing;
- The paper also provides an update on the organizational repositioning and statistical information on the workforce profile.

## **(7) Statement by the representative of the UNAIDS Staff Association**

- A report will be presented by the UNAIDS Staff Association.
- 2. Update, Thematic Segment at 40th PCB meeting: *HIV Prevention 2020: a partnership for delivery***
- The PCB Working Group had three meetings.
  - During the two meetings, the Working Group discussed and provided comments (including through email before and after the meetings) on the draft Background Note which is currently being finalized and will be posted on the PCB website after the internal clearances.
  - The focus of the segment will very much be on primary prevention and the challenges of taking prevention interventions to scale.
  - Last meeting, the WG discussed the draft agenda, the format of the day and the possible speakers. Some suggested speakers were endorsed by the working group and were invited. We also received additional suggested speakers in particular from the NGO Delegation and its working group.
  - The agenda will be finalized this week and invitations sent and preparations will start with each speaker.

### **Country case studies:**

- In order for the Thematic session to be as evidence-based as possible, PCB Members, countries, partner organizations and colleagues were invited to submit case studies that reflect potential achievements in line with the 2016 Political Declaration Commitments and Targets and/or challenges and barriers regarding prevention programme scale-up.
- A total of 65 submissions were received: 24 from African States, 6 from Asian States, 4 from Eastern European States, 7 from Latin American and Caribbean States, 12 from Western European and Other States, and 12 which focused on multiple countries.

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

#### **Approval of the NGO Delegation at the PCB**

- The representative of the NGO Delegation requested a clarification to the UNAIDS Secretariat on the process for the approval of the replacement of delegates of the NGO Delegation at the Board meeting when required in between PCB sessions. The UNAIDS Secretariat indicated that replacement of new delegates of the NGO Delegation are put

forward to the Board in the December PCB session under the Election of officers agenda item. In case a change occurs in between the PCB sessions during the year, the approval is done through an inter-sessional decision making process by which the Chair of the PCB sends to all PCB members an email requesting the approval of the NGO by a defined deadline and on a no objection basis.

### **2017 ECOSOC Resolution on the UNAIDS Joint Programme**

- The Secretariat recalled that the ECOSOC discussion on the Joint Programme is expected to take place on 6 July in New York. In light of recent reforms, the ECOSOC Coordination and Management segment, including the item on the Joint Programme, is now held in New York.
- The Chair informed the Bureau that the Chair and Vice-Chair, in consultation with their Missions in New York have agreed that the initial work on the draft resolution for the agenda item on the Joint Programme would take place in Geneva. The Chair and the Vice-Chair would hold the informal consultations with Member States on a draft resolution by mid-June.

### **Green UNAIDS**

- Bureau members requested UNAIDS Secretariat to examine ways of reporting on ongoing efforts to make UNAIDS green. The Secretariat indicated that some elements are already provided under the agenda item on the update on strategic human resources management issues.

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