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Minutes of the EDCTP Association General Assembly (GA) hybrid meeting on 26 May 2026

Date and time: Tuesday, 26 May 2026, 09:30-17:00 hours CEST

White Atrium, Brussels, Belgium

MEETING PARTICIPANTS		
General Assembly Member Representatives present:		
Austria (AT) (<i>virtually</i>)	Elisabeth Tischelmayer (AT-ET)	Abbreviations: Africa CDC - Africa Centres for Disease Control and Prevention AUP report – Agreed-upon procedures report DG INTPA – Directorate-General for International Partnerships DG RTD – Directorate-General for Research and Innovation EC – European Commission EY – Ernst & Young GA – General Assembly GB – Governing Board (of the GH EDCTP3 JU) GH EDCTP3 JU – Global Health EDCTP3 Joint Undertaking GloPID-R - Global Research Collaboration for Infectious Disease Preparedness IKAA – In-Kind contributions to Additional Activities IKOPs – In-Kind contributions to Operational activities IVI – International Vaccine Institute JU – Joint Undertaking NoE – Networks of Excellence PHE - Public Health Emergencies R&D - Research and Development RTD - Directorate-General for Research and Innovation PS – Participating State PSIA – Participating State Initiated Activities SBA – Single Basic Act SEC – EDCTP Secretariat SSA - Sub-Saharan Africa
Belgium (BE) (<i>virtually</i>)	Tim Roosen (BE-TR)	
Burundi (<i>in-person</i>)	Joseph Nyandwi (BI-JN)	
Congo, Republic (CG) (<i>virtually</i>)	Francine Ntoui (CG-FN)	
Côte d'Ivoire (CI) (<i>virtually</i>)	Man-Koumba Soumahoro (CI-MKS)	
Denmark (DK) (<i>virtually</i>)	Mikkel Lyndrup (DK-ML)	
Democratic Republic of the Congo (CD) (<i>virtually</i>)	Julien Ntaongo (JN)	
Eswatini, Kingdom of (SZ) (<i>virtually</i>)	Siphiwe Ngwenya (SZ-SN)	
Ethiopia (ET) (<i>proxy - represented by PT-MN</i>)	Alemseged Abdissa (ET-AA) (EDCTP Board Vice-Chair)	
France (FR) (<i>in-person</i>)	Eric D'Ortenzio (FR-EDO) (EDCTP Board Member)	
France (FR) (<i>in-person</i>)	Karine Lacombe (FR-KL)	
France (FR) (<i>in-person</i>)	Sheyla Mejia Gervacio (FR-SMG)	
Gabon (GA) (<i>virtually</i>)	Ayola Akim Adegnika (GA-AA)	
Germany (DE) (<i>in-person</i>)	Henning Gädeke (DE-HG) (EDCTP Board Chair), <i>Chairperson</i>	
Germany (DE) (<i>in-person</i>)	Anne Schmöle (DE-ASc)	
Guinea-Bissau (GW) (<i>virtually</i>)	Aladje Baldé (GW-AB)	
Guinea-Bissau (GW) (<i>virtually</i>)	Baltazar Cá (GW-BC)	
Guinea, Republic of (GN) (<i>virtually</i>)	Karifa Kourouma (GN-KK)	
Ireland (IE) (<i>in-person</i>)	David Weakliam (IE-DW)	
Madagascar (MG) (<i>in-person</i>)	Voahangy Rasolofo Razanamparany (MG-VR)	
Madagascar (MG) (<i>virtually</i>)	Luc Samison (MG-LS)	
Malawi (MW) (<i>in-person</i>)	Dzinkambani Kambalame (MW-DZ)	
Malawi (MW) (<i>in-person</i>)	Brian Ngwira (MW-BN)	
Malawi (MW) (<i>in-person</i>)	Matthew Kagoli (MW-MK)	
Mali (ML) (<i>virtually</i>)	Abdoulaye Djimdé (ML-AD)	
Mali (ML) (<i>virtually</i>)	Mahamadou Ali Thera (ML-MT)	
Mozambique (MZ) (<i>virtually</i>)	Julia Sambo (MZ-JS)	
Mozambique (MZ) (<i>in-person</i>)	Francisco Saúde (MZ-FS)	



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Namibia (NA) *(virtually)*
Nigeria (NG) *(in-person)*
Norway (NO) *(in-person)*
Portugal (PT) *(in-person)*
Portugal (PT) *(virtually)*
Portugal (PT) *(virtually)*
Rwanda (RW) *(virtually)*
Senegal (SN) *(virtually)*
South Africa (ZA) *(virtually)*
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South Africa (ZA) *(virtually)*
Spain (ES) *(virtually)*
Spain (ES) *(virtually)*
Sweden (SE) *(in-person)*
Switzerland (SW) *(in-person)*
Tanzania (TZ) *(virtually)*
Uganda (UG) *(virtually)*
United Kingdom (UK) *(virtually)*
United Kingdom (UK) *(virtually)*
Zambia (ZM) *(virtually)*
Zimbabwe (ZW) *(virtually)*

Jacob Sheehama (NA-JS)
Ayoola Olusola (NG-AO)
Karine Kalsas (NO-KK)
Marta Norton (PT-MN) (EDCTP Board Member)
Carlos Almeida Pereira (PT-CP)
Gonçalo Teixeira (PT-GT)
Claude Muvunyi (RW-CM)
Samba Cor Sarr (SN-SS)
Kenny Tenza (ZA-KT)
Vinny Pillay (ZA-VP)
Eudy Mabuza (ZA-EM)
Modiegi Selematsela (ZA-MS)
Anita Mnisi (ZA-AM)
Agustín Benito Llanes (ES-ABL)
Elena Doménech (ES-ED)
Markus Moll (SE-MM)
Myriam Cevallos (SW-MC)
Bugwesa Katale (TZ-BK)
Samuel Okware (UG-SO) (EDCTP Board Member)
Kara Hanson (UK-KH)
Eleanor Howat (UK-EK)
Victor Chalwe (ZM-VC)
Nyaradzo Ngodi (ZW-NG)

TESA - Trials of Excellence in Southern Africa
WHO – World Health Organization
WP – Work Programme.

General Assembly Members absent:

Benin (BJ)
Burkina-Faso (BF)
Cameroon (CM)
Gambia, The (GM)
Ghana (GH)
Italy (IT) (Representative TBD)
Kenya (KE)
Liberia (LR)
Luxembourg (LU)
Netherlands, The (NL)
Niger (NE)
Sierra Leone (SL)



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Somalia (SO)
Togolese Republic (TG)

General Assembly Observers present:

ACHIEVE Africa Initiative (AAI) (<i>virtually</i>)	Nicaise Ndembi (AAI-NN) (for agenda item 3.2)
Angola (AO) (<i>virtually</i>)	Joana Morais (AO-JM)
Cabo Verde (CV) (<i>virtually</i>)	Maria da Luz Lima (CV-MDL)
Comoros (KM) (<i>virtually</i>)	Ahamada Abdallah Kamal (KM-AK)
EDCTP Audit Committee Chair (<i>in-person</i>)	Shaila Hari (AC-SH)
European Commission (EC) (<i>in-person</i>)	Pilar Aguar Fernandez (EC-PF) (for agenda item 3.1)
European Commission (EC) (<i>in-person</i>)	Jan Paehler (EC-JP)
Global Health EDCTP3 (<i>in-person</i>)	Michael Makanga (GH-EDCTP3-MM)
Global Health EDCTP3 (<i>in-person</i>)	Vincent Declerfayt (GH-EDCTP3-VD)
Global Health EDCTP3 (<i>in-person</i>)	Lara Pandya (GH-EDCTP3-LP)
Global Health EDCTP3 (<i>in-person</i>)	Agustín Martín (GH-EDCTP3-AM)
Global Health EDCTP3 (<i>in-person</i>)	Nicolas Gonçalves (GH-EDCTP3-NG)
Global Health EDCTP3 (<i>in-person</i>)	Antónia Forte (GH-EDCTP3-AF)
Global Health EDCTP3 (<i>in-person</i>)	Jean Marie Habarugira (GH-EDCTP3-JMH)
Slovakia (SK) (<i>in-person</i>)	Gabriela Nafoussi (SK-GN) (for agenda items 3.0 & 4.0)
Sudan (SD) (<i>virtually</i>)	Suad Sulaiman (SD-SS)

EDCTP Secretariat (SEC) present:

Executive Director & Director of Finance & Administration (SEC) (<i>in-person</i>)	Abdoulie Barry (SEC-AB)
Operations Manager & Scientific Advisor (SEC) (<i>in-person</i>)	Pauline Beattie (SEC-PB)
Strategic Partnerships & Capacity Dev. Manager – Head of Africa Office (SEC-TN) (<i>in-person</i>)	Thomas Nyirenda (SEC-TN)
Senior Administrative Officer (SEC) (<i>in-person</i>)	Jennifer Stamatelos (SEC-JS)
Communications Officer (SEC) (<i>in-person</i>)	Daniela Pereira (SEC-DN)
Project Officer (SEC) (<i>virtually</i>)	Michelle Singh (SEC-MS)
Executive Governance Officer (SEC) (<i>in-person</i>)	Isabel Reis (SEC-IR)

SUMMARY OF DECISIONS AND ACTION POINTS

#	AGENDA ITEM	DECISIONS AND ACTIONS	ACTION BY	DUE DATE
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1.3	Approval of the agenda	DECISION: The agenda of the GA meeting of 26 May 2026 (document 1) was approved.		
1.5	Approval of the minutes of the GA meeting of 7 October 2025	DECISION: The minutes of the GA meeting of 7 October 2025 (document 2) were approved.		
2.2	Draft EDCTP Annual Report 2025	DECISION: The EDCTP Annual Report 2025 (document 3) was approved.		
2.4	Annual statutory accounts 2025 & reappointment of EY	DECISION: The Statutory accounts for the year ended 31 December 2025 (document 4A) and the Draft Auditor's opinion on the financial statements (document 4B) were approved. DECISION: The re-appointment of EY as EDCTP's auditor for another year – to hold office until the conclusion of the April 2027 EDCTP GA meeting – was approved.		
4.7	Feedback on the draft Global Health EDCTP3 Work Programme 2027	ACTION: SEC to coordinate with the EDCTP Association and interested Member States to explore potential funding opportunities for the TESA proposal, as the next eligible project on the reserve list. ACTION: Comments from the EDCTP3 members on the draft Global Health EDCTP3 JU Work Programme 2027 should be sent to the SEC-IR by 8 June 2026, close of business.	asap	8 June 2026
4.9	Outlook on the negotiations for the next EDCTP programme	ACTION: SEC-IR to send an email invitation requesting volunteers for the Working Group on the negotiations for the next EDCTP programme.		