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# European and African Partnership - Role of European Member States and Agencies

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# European Member States - EDCTP Role

- Play full part in partnership with African researchers and institutions in achieving the EDCTP objectives through:
- co-operation and co-ordination of research investments and strategies in the 3 diseases
- sharing expertise
- funding –both co-funding and investing in other EDCTP relevant projects



# Progress

- Better internal dialogue in Member States eg between research funders and development agencies
- Better collaboration, information exchange and hence understanding between Member States in relation to research on the 3 diseases
- MS funding in Africa extended beyond usual “historical” links in Africa

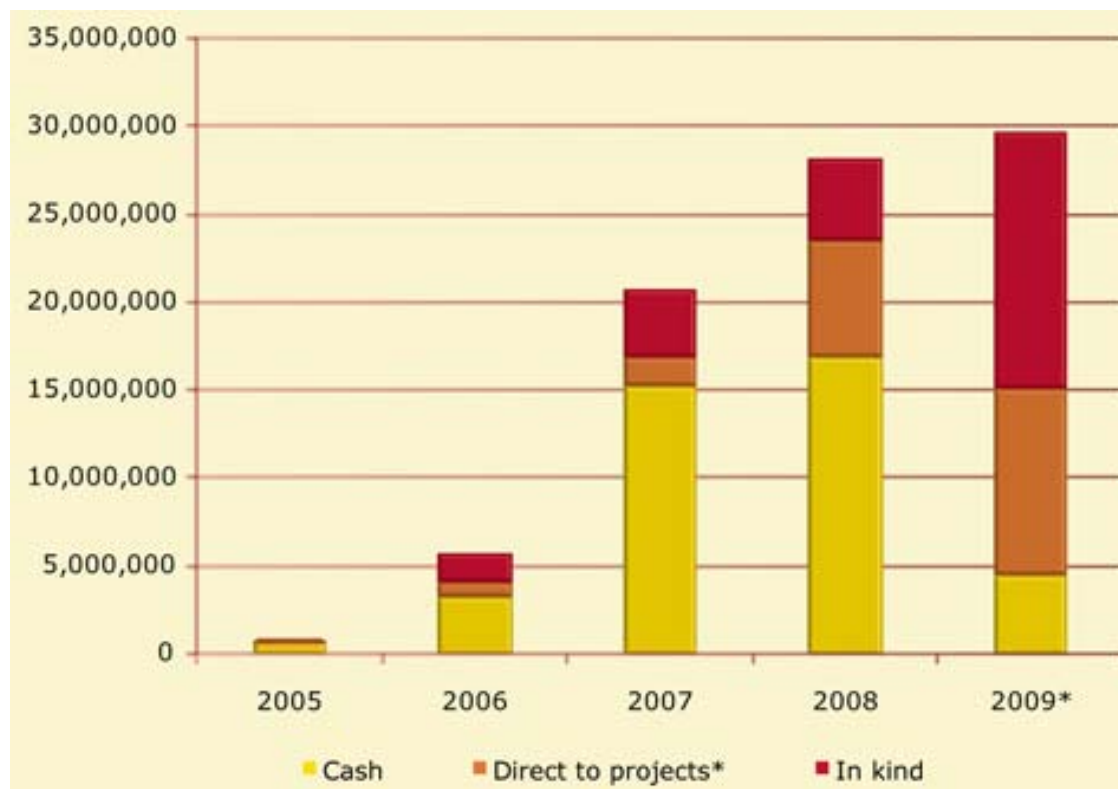


## Progress - Countries collaborating in EDCTP projects

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1 African Country	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>1</b>			
2 African Countries		<b>1</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>1</b>		
3 African Countries		<b>1</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	
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7 African Countries					<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	



# Progress - Annual MS cofunding of EDCTP activities (€)





# Overall Progress Assessment

Satisfactory but could (must) do better

How ?



## Future

- Funding – to meet co-funding requirements and enable optimal programme planning:  
EDCTP needs upfront annual commitment from each Member State
- Member State contributions must allow flexible use for Member State and/or African researchers. For some MSs this means two funding streams one from research and one from development



# Future

## Further Strategy Development and Programme Planning (1)

- Need ongoing mapping of activity/investment in Member States as background data for evolution of the EDCTP programme
  - How? Outsource?
- Partnership Board needs to be more closely linked to key Member State researchers as a two way communication channel to the research community
  - Email network for each of 3 diseases led/convened by PB members ?



# Future

## **Further Strategy Development and Programme Planning (2)**

- Overall need better dialogue with funders in Member States
- EDCTP meeting with Development Agencies planned for early 2010. Share agendas, needs, perspectives etc
- Similar dialogue needed with research funders and national experts. Share strategic goals, plans, identify priorities etc



# Conclusions

Better coordination and use of resources from capitalising on:

- mapping of investments and planned activities
- better links between PB and researchers in Member States
- better dialogue with funders on strategy



Do you agree we need to do better ?

Are these ideas useful/viable?

What are your ideas for improvement?



**Thank you!**