**EDCTP Scientific Advisory Committee, 14-15 September 2017, Mercure Hotel, The Hague**

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- John Gyapong (JG) – Vice-Chair
- Clara Menéndez Santos (CM) – Vice-Chair
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- Maryline Bonnet (MLB)
- Christian Burri (CBu)
- Stefan Kaufmann (SK) - apologies
- Maria Fraga Oliveira Martins (MFM)
- Martin Meremikwu (MMe)
- Keymanthri Moodley (KM) - apologies
- Juliet Nabyonga-Orem (JNO)
- Jutta Reinhard-Rupp (JRR)
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- Peter G. Smith (PSm)
- Marleen Temmerman (MTe)
- Halidou Tinto (HT)
- Alimuddin Zumla (AZ)

**External Observers:**
- EC
- Alessandra Martini (AM)

**Abbreviations:**
- AACHRD – African Advisory Committee for Research and Development
- ACT - Artemisinin-based combination therapy
- AMR – Anti-microbial resistance
- AMRH - African Medicines Regulatory Harmonisation
- AO – EDCTP Africa Office
- AVAREF - African Vaccine Regulatory Forum
- CEPI – Coalition for Epidemic Preparedness
- CIHR – Canadian Institutes of Health Research
- CoI – Conflict of interest
- CSA – Coordination and Support Action
- EC – European Commission
- ED – Executive Director
- EDCTP – European and Developing Countries Clinical Trials Partnership
- EDCTP2 – Second EDCTP programme (2014-2024)
- EDCTP3 – proposed third EDCTP programme
- EPI - Expanded programme on immunisation
- EU – European Union
- FIC – Fogarty International Center
- FP9 – Framework programme 9
- G6PD - glucose-6-phosphate dehydrogenase
- GA – EDCTP General Assembly

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| Mark Palmer (MP) - apologies                  | GNP – Gross national product              |
| WHO/AFRO                                     | H2020 – Horizon 2020                       |
| Martin Ota (MO)                              | MDR – Multiple drug resistance             |
| WHO-HQ                                       | MESA - Malaria Eradication Scientific Alliance |
| Emer Cooke (ECo)                             | M&E – Monitoring & evaluation              |

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**M&E – Monitoring & evaluation**
**NCD – Non-communicable disease**
**NID – Neglected infectious disease**
**NIH – National Institutes of Health**
**NoE – EDCTP Network of Excellence**
**PACTR - Pan African Clinical Trials Registry**
**PDP – Product development partnership**
**PDVAC – Product development for vaccines advisory committee**
**PoC – Point-of-care**
**PS – Participating State**
**PSIA - Participating States' Initiated Activity**
**RIAD – Research and Innovation Action**
**SAC – Scientific Advisory Committee**
**SEC – EDCTP Secretariat**
**SHM – Stakeholders Meeting**
**SRA – Strategic Research Agenda**
**SSA – sub-Saharan Africa**
**TMA – Training & Mobility Actions**
**ToR – Terms of Reference**
**UK – United Kingdom**
**UNECA - United Nations Economic Commission for Africa**
**WG – working group**
**WHO – The World Health Organization**
**WHO-AFRO – WHO Regional office for Africa**
**WP – Work plan**
**XDR - Extensively drug-resistant.**
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<td>Approval of the agenda</td>
<td><strong>DECISION:</strong> SAC members approved the agenda</td>
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<td>Approval of the minutes of the SAC meeting 30-31 March 2017</td>
<td><strong>DECISION:</strong> SAC members approved the SAC meeting minutes from 30-31 March 2017</td>
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<td>Status of actions arising from SAC meeting 30-31 March 2017</td>
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<td>Overview from ED</td>
<td><strong>ACTION:</strong> SEC to share revised EDCTP Association Articles of Association and Internal Regulations after GA approval</td>
<td>SEC</td>
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<td>Bilateral meetings brokered with other funders: NIH/Fogarty, HIV Research Trust, Canadian Institutes for Health Research</td>
<td><strong>ACTION</strong> SAC members to contact the SEC with any further suggestions on potential partnerships with EDCTP</td>
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<td>Update to the Strategic Research Agenda for 2018</td>
<td><strong>ACTION:</strong> SAC to revise SRA based on the following points: 1. Add an additional column to indicate the funding mechanism for each ranked priority: RIA, CSA, and/or TMA 2. Trim priority listings and re-examine rankings (A to D). The number of A rankings, indicating top short-term priority for EDCTP, should be significantly reduced given that EDCTP financial resources are limited 3. Reduce previous A or B rankings if EDCTP (or others) are funding a topic, which can now be considered as ‘being addressed’ already 4. Add an asterisk next to a ranking if it is considered that this priority is a topic that EDCTP should participate in but not necessarily be in the lead 5. Add a short narrative for each disease area to explain the working group’s rational</td>
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<td><strong>ACTION:</strong> SEC to consider splitting co-infections and co-morbidities call into two. The split could be either: 1. HIV and non-HIV 2. Co-infections and co-morbidities</td>
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<td>Follow-up of EC first interim evaluation of EDCTP2</td>
<td><strong>ACTION:</strong> Working group (CH, MFM, EA, MT, JG, MO, JNO [WG leader]) to draft a concept document on strategy to increase EDCTP visibility in Africa and broaden the strategic impact of its investments in SSA. SEC to circulate report from the interim evaluation once it is finalised by the EC</td>
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<td>Guiding document for Monitoring &amp; Evaluation of EDCTP2 programme</td>
<td><strong>ACTION:</strong> SEC to look into including case studies/success stories (qualitative data) in M&amp;E document SAC to send any further comments on the M&amp;E guidance document (in track changes) to EDCTP</td>
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<td>Presentation of the EDCTP workplan for 2018</td>
<td><strong>ACTION:</strong> SEC to consider SAC feedback when finalising the 2018 work plan before its submission to the EC</td>
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<td><strong>ACTION</strong> SAC members MFM, CM, MT and MMe to sit on Ninth Forum programme committee</td>
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