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Minutes EDCTP Board meeting - 15 May 2020

Teleconference - 14:00-16:00 CET

Minutes of the EDCTP Association Board meeting by teleconference on 15 May 2020, 14:00-16:00 CET

Participants

EDCTP Association Board Members present:

Yazdan Yazdanpanah (YY) – Board Chair - *Chairperson*

Christiane Druml (CD) – Board Vice-Chair

Jeffrey Mphahlele (JM) – Board Vice-Chair

Andrea Spelberg (AS) – Board Member

Godfrey Biemba (GB) – Board Member

Observers present:

Inmaculada Peñas-Jiménez (IPJ) – European Commission (EC)

Hannu Laang (HL) – European Commission (EC)

Catherine Hankins (CH) – Chair Scientific Advisory Committee (SAC)

EDCTP Secretariat present:

Michael Makanga (MM) – Executive Director

Hannah Hoffenkamp (HH) – Executive Governance Officer



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SUMMARY OF DECISIONS AND ACTION POINTS		
#	AGENDA ITEM	DECISIONS AND ACTIONS
1.1	Minutes of the Board teleconference held on 27 March 2020	DECISION: The Board approved the minutes of the Board teleconference held on 27 March 2020.
2.1	COVID-19 response	ACTION: ACTION: EDCTP and EC to further discuss the issue of forecasted costed extensions of EDCTP2 grants caused by the COVID-19 crisis with the aim of finding solutions for projects affected by the pandemic. ACTION: SEC to review and identify the EDCTP2 projects that are affected by the COVID-19 crisis with serious financial implications.
2.4	Directors' Annual Declarations of Interests 2020	DECISION: The Board approved the 2020 Annual Declarations of Interests from the EDCTP directors.
4.1	Board approval of virtual GA meeting as a formal meeting in accordance to Dutch emergency law	DECISION: The Board approved the EDCTP GA meeting of the 8 June 2020 to take place digitally and that voting may take place either digitally during the meeting or by way of an email to the SEC in advance of the meeting. ACTION: SEC to check with the European and African Member States whether they will be able to connect using Zoom considering the reported security issues.
4.2	Amended GA meeting agenda	DECISION: The Board approved the amended draft agenda for the virtual GA meeting on 8 June 2020 from 13:00-17:00 hours CEST.