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Minutes from the virtual meeting of the EDCTP General Assembly (GA) of 19 October 2020

Date and time: Monday, 19 October 2020, 13:00-17:00 hours CEST

MEETING PARTICIPANTS

General Assembly (GA) Representatives present:

Austria (AT)
Burkina Faso (BF)
Congo (CG)
Denmark (DK)
Ethiopia (ET)
Finland (FI)
Portugal (PT)
France (FR)
France (FR)
Gabon (GA)
Ghana (GH)
Germany (DE)
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Germany (DE)
Ireland (IE)
Italy (IT)
Mozambique (MZ)
Nigeria (NG)
The Netherlands (NL)
The Netherlands (NL)
Norway (NO)
Senegal (SN)
South Africa (ZA)
South Africa (ZA)
South Africa (ZA)
Spain (ES)
Sweden (SE)
Sweden (SE)
Switzerland (Aspirant Member) (CH)
Uganda (UG)
United Kingdom (UK)
United Kingdom (UK)

Elisabeth Tischelmayer (Technical Advisor) (AT-ET)
Ali Sie (BF-AS)
Francine Ntoumi (CG-FN)
Mikkel Lyndrup (DK-ML)
Abebe Genetu Bayih (ET-AG)
Sirpa Nuotio (FI-SN)
Rita Cavaleiro (PT-RC), *replacing the GA representatives for PT*
Yazdan Yazdanpanah (EDCTP Board Chair) (FR-YY), *Chairperson*
Virginie Sivan (FR-VS)
Ayola Akim Adegnikia (GA-AA)
Abraham Hodgson (GH-AH)
Andrea Spelberg (EDCTP Board Member) (DE-AS)
Arlena Liggins (Technical Advisor) (DE-AL)
Sabrina Voss (Technical Advisor) (DE-SV)
David Weakliam (IE-DW)
Pietro Alano (IT-PA)
Eusébio Macete (MZ-EM)
Godwin Brooks (NG-GB)
Gerrie Tuitert (NL-GT)
Frank van de Looij (NL-FL)
Karine Kålsås (NO-KK)
Alioune Dieye (SN-AD)
Jeffrey Mphahlele (EDCTP Board Vice-Chair) (ZA-JM)
Vinnay Pillay (ZA-VP)
Andiswa Zitho (EDCTP Project Coordinator) (ZA-AZ)
Tomás López-Peña Ordoñez (ES-TL)
Hannah Akuffo (SE-HA)
Markus Moll (SE-MM)
Juerg Utzinger (CH-JU)
Sam Okware (UG-SO)
Mark Palmer (UK-MP)
Martin Broadstock (UK-MB)

Abbreviations:

AACHRD - African Advisory Committee for Research and Development
ACT - Access to COVID-19 Tools
ACT-A-Dx - Accelerator Diagnostics Pillar
Africa CDC - Africa Centres for Disease Control and Prevention
AlGHd - Amsterdam Institute for Global Health and Development
AU - African Union
ALERRT - African coalition for Epidemic Research, Response and Training
AVAREF - African Vaccine Regulatory Forum
BMGF - Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation
BRCC - Botnar Research Centre for Child Health
CEPI - Coalition for Epidemic Preparedness Innovations
CONCVACT - Consortium for COVID-19 Vaccine Trials
COVAX - the vaccines pillar of the ACT Accelerator
COVID-19 - COrona Virus Disease 2019
DNDi - Drugs for Neglected Diseases initiative
EC - European Commission
FAQ - Frequently Asked Questions
FB - Fondation Botnar
FIND - Foundation for Innovative New Diagnostics
GA - General Assembly
GloPID-R - Global Research Collaboration for Infectious Disease Preparedness
GF - the Global Fund
GMP - Global Malaria Program
GPH - EU-Africa Global Health Partnership (EDCTP3)
HR - High Representative
JU - Joint Undertaking
MMV - Medicines for Malaria Venture



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United Kingdom (UK)
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Zambia (ZM)

General Assembly (GA) apologies:

Angola (Aspirant Member) (AO)
Cameroon (CM)
Mali (ML)
Niger (NE)
Tanzania (TZ)
The Gambia (GM)

General Assembly Observers present:

European Commission (EC)
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European Commission (EC)
WHO Regional Office for Africa (WHO-AFRO)
Scientific Advisory Committee (SAC)

EDCTP Secretariat (SEC) present:

Director of Finance & Administration (SEC)
Operations Manager (SEC)
Director of International Cooperation Africa (SEC)
Executive Governance Officer (SEC)
Legal Officer (SEC)
Executive Director (SEC)
Technical Advisor R&D (secondment)
Strategic Partnerships & Capacity Dev. Manager (SEC)
Strategic Partnerships Officer (SEC)
High Representative Africa (SEC)
High Representative Europe (SEC)
Strategic Partnerships Officer (SEC)

Bianca Dsouza (UK-BD)
Samia Majid (Technical Advisor) (UK-SM)
Godfrey Biemba (EDCTP Board Member) (ZM-GB)

Karim Berkouk (EC-KB)
Arjon van Hengel (EC-AH)
Barbara Kerstiens (EC-BK)
Mar Martínez (EC-MM)
Julia Mólto López (EC-JM)
Inmaculada Peñas-Jiménez (EC-IPJ)
Laurent Schnell – *present for EC update after GA*
Steffi Sowinski (EC-SS)
Katarzyna Stryjniak (EC-KS) – *present for EC update after GA*
Hannu Laang (EC HL)
Joseph Okeibunor (WHO-JO)
Catherine Hankins (SAC Chair) (SAC-CH)

Abdoulie Barry (SEC-AB)
Pauline Beattie (SEC-PB)
Moses Bockarie (SEC-MBo)
Hannah Hoffenkamp (SEC-HH)
Louwrens Kiestra (SEC-LK)
Michael Makanga (SEC-MM)
Anthony Man (SEC-AM)
Thomas Nyirenda (SEC-TN)
Lara Pandya (SEC-LP)
Leonardo Simão (SEC-LS)
Marcel Tanner (SEC-MT)
Ana Lúcia Weinberg (SEC-ALW)

NHRS - National Health Research System
PANDORA-ID-NET - Pan-African Network for Rapid
R&D - Research and Development
Research, Response, Relief and Preparedness for Infectious
Diseases Epidemics
PDP - Product Development Partnership
PPE - Personal Protective Equipment
PRDs - Poverty-related diseases
PS – Participating State
PSIA – Participating State Initiated Activity
SAC – Scientific Advisory Committee
SEC – EDCTP Secretariat
SRIA - Strategic Research and Innovation Agenda
SSA - Sub-Saharan Africa
UKCDR - UK Collaborative on Development Research
WHO – World Health Organization
WHO-AFRO - World Health Organization – Regional Office
for Africa.



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SUMMARY OF DECISIONS AND ACTION POINTS				
#	AGENDA ITEM	DECISIONS AND ACTIONS	ACTION BY	DUE DATE
1.3	Approval of the agenda	DECISION: The agenda of the GA meeting of 19 October 2020 was approved.		
1.5	Status of actions arising from the GA meeting of 8 June 2020	DECISION: The minutes of the GA meeting of 8 June 2020 were approved by written procedure before the meeting.		
5.1	Update from High Representative North (Europe)	DECISION: The HR North Annual Report 2020 and Work Plan for 2021 were approved.		
5.2	Update from High Representative South (Africa)	DECISION: The HR South Annual Report 2020 and Work Plan for 2021 were approved.		
6.2	Update from EDCTP Association Working Group	ACTION: Send comments/suggestions regarding the pending open issues for operationalisation of EDCTP3 (issues related to governance and resources for EDCTP3; amendment of the existing EDCTP2 Statutes) to the members of the EDCTP Association Working Group (DE-AS).	GA and EDCTP Association Working Group	ASAP
7.1	Multi-annual declaration of liability for EDCTP2 (for years starting January 2021)	ACTION: European PSs to provide an update to the SEC on their ability to sign the EDCTP2 declaration of liability.	European PSs	ASAP
8.2	SAC Annual Report 2020	DECISION: The SAC Annual Report 2020 was approved.		
8.3	SAC Work Plan 2021	DECISION: The SAC Work Plan 2021 was approved.		
9.1	Any other business (AOB)	ACTION: Follow up on the issue of forecasted costed extensions of EDCTP2 grants caused by the COVID-19 crisis. ACTION: Continue pursuing additional Member States funding for the COVID-19 Emergency response Call for Proposals.	GA and SEC GA and SEC	ASAP