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Minutes of the EDCTP Association Board meeting by teleconference on 15 November 2021, 14:00-15:30 CET

Participants

EDCTP Association Board Members present:

Yazdan Yazdanpanah (YY) – Board Chair
Christiane Druml (CD) – Board Vice-Chair
Jeffrey Mphahlele (JM) – Board Vice-Chair
Godfrey Biemba (GB) – Board Member
Andrea Spelberg (AS) – Board Member
Abdoulaye Djimdé, (AD) – Board Member

Observers present:

Inmaculada Peñas-Jiménez (IPJ) – European Commission (EC)
Catherine Hankins (CH) – Chair Scientific Advisory Committee (SAC)

EDCTP Secretariat present:

Michael Makanga (MM) – Executive Director
Lara Pandya (LP) – Senior Strategic Partnerships Officer
Isabel Reis (IR) – Executive Governance Officer



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SUMMARY OF DECISIONS AND ACTION POINTS			
#	AGENDA ITEM	DECISIONS AND ACTIONS	ACTION BY
1.1	Minutes of the Board meeting held on 16 September 2021	DECISION: The Board approved the minutes of the Board meeting held on 16 September 2021.	
2.2	Impact of COVID-19 on EDCTP activities and response	ACTION: EC is notified for feedback of the placement of the two EDCTP2 industry fellowship candidates to Pfizer USA, in light of the Delegation Agreement and deviation from the call text to anticipate eventual subsequent audit queries.	EC
3.0	Extension of SAC member contracts	DECISION: The Board approved the extension of the contracts of seven SAC members whose first term is due to expire on 01 January 2022. Additionally, the Board approved an exceptional 6-month transitional contract extension for two SAC members whose second term is due to expire on 30 June 2022.	
4.1	Feedback on the Tenth EDCTP Forum – best practices and lessons learned	ACTION: Board members to send any suggestions on best practices and lessons learned regarding the Tenth EDCTP Forum to the SEC (LP).	Board
5.2	Action points from the GA of 15 October 2021	ACTION: SEC (LP) to compile all questions received by the GA members in response to the request for letters of commitment to the EDCTP Association in relation to Global Health EDCTP3, and circulate them to the Board.	SEC
5.3	Update from EDCTP Association Working Group on GH EDCTP3	ACTION: EC to send a request for letters of commitment to other EU Member States who are not members of the EDCTP Association. Responses should be received by 26 November 2021. ACTION: SEC to send a request for letters of commitment to African countries that are not EDCTP Association members yet but have expressed their interest in joining. Responses to be received by 26 November 2021.	EC SEC



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		<p>ACTION: SEC to invite all GA members to send nominations for the pre-selection committee for the Executive Director of the Global Health EDCTP3 Joint Undertaking.</p> <p>DECISION: The Board decided to delegate power of attorney to the EDCTP Executive Director (MM) for implementing the amendments to the EDCTP Articles of Association with the Dutch notary.</p>	<p>SEC</p> <p>MM</p>
6.1	Any other business	<p>ACTION: SAC Annual Report 2021 and Work Plan 2022 to be shared for Board approval by written procedure, on behalf of the GA.</p>	<p>SEC</p>