



Stop TB Partnership

SUMMARY SHEET		
AGENDA NR. 1.10- 8.0	SUBJECT	TB REACH: RESULTS OF THE REVIEW OF PROPOSALS TO ROUND-1
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<p>RATIONALE: The TB REACH Proposal Review Committee (PRC) has recommended for funding 35 proposals, with a total budget of US\$21.95 million. The approval of the Board is being sought for funding these projects under the TB REACH - round 1, initiative.</p>		
<p>SUMMARY: Under the Stop TB Partnership's TB REACH initiative the first call for proposals was issued on 25 January 2010, following the guidance provided by the TB REACH Programme Steering Group which met on 15 January 2010. The call for proposals (web based) was widely disseminated and targeted eligible countries (i.e. low income countries with poor case detection). Applications were to be submitted on a standardized form, following application guidelines, available in English and French. By the closing date, i.e. 5 March 2010, 192 applications were received. After initial screening for eligibility, completeness, timeliness of submission, and accompanying letters of support from NTP and financial statements and audits, 102 proposals were submitted to the PRC for review.</p> <p>The PRC met on 16-19 March 2010 in Geneva and recommended for funding 35 proposals, with a total budget of US\$ 21.95 million. These proposals include 3 graded by the PRC as category 'A', 8 as category 'B+', 19 as category 'B' and 5 as category 'B-'. The remaining proposals were graded as category 'C' and 'D' and not recommended for funding. (see attached the PRC recommendations)</p>		
<p>DECISIONS REQUESTED (FROM STOP TB COORDINATING BOARD):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Endorsement of the PRC recommendations for funding 		
<p>IMPLICATIONS (POLITICAL / FINANCIAL / STAFFING, ETC):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Political - will strengthen the credibility of Stop TB Partnership and TB REACH for a timely and solid decision on funding the applications • Will enable TB REACH to proceed on funding and starting of the implementation of the projects. Adequate funding for the purpose is committed by CIDA. 		
NEXT STEPS		
<p>ACTION REQUIRED:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The TB REACH Secretariat will communicate the results of the proposal review to the applicants; facilitate acceptable responses from applicants to the clarifications sought by the PRC; and conclude letters of agreement with the applicants in order to disburse funds and start implementation. 2. Baseline validation of the selected projects will be undertaken by the Secretariat via the TB REACH M&E agency. 		
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TIMEFRAME: October 2010		