

Concept Note 38th STOP TB Partnership Board Meeting Abuja, Nigeria, 12-14 December 2024 Session 5: <u>Innovations from Africa</u>

Date and time: 13 December, 4-6pm

BACKGROUND

Africa is home to 18% of the world's population but 25% of the global TB burden and 35% of all TB deaths. However, the continent is home to many strong innovators who are showing the way to a brighter future in the TB response. From the introduction of new tests, reaching key populations, world class research networks, and bold policies and approaches, many global leaders in the fight to end TB are making their mark.

SCOPE AND PURPOSE

Following the successful sessions during the Stop TB Board in Varanasi and Brasilia, the current session will give opportunity to the Board members and guests listen, learn and interact with innovators from the African region especially highlighting the work being done in Nigeria where incredible progress has been made in the last few years.

EXPECTED OUTCOMES

- Share real-world experience and innovations to the Board and promote greater adoption of evidence-based program implementation
- Provide a platform for TB innovators to interact with the Board and share their learnings to encourage their continued participation in the TB response.
- Create an exchange of ideas and experiences regarding a broad range of TB innovations in Africa

DETAILS OF SESSION

The Secretariat will highlight some of the work on TB innovations during 2024 which will focus on TB REACH but also include work of other initiatives including the Digital Health Technology Hub, START4ALL, RTC, iNTP and others. Following this, 10-12 speakers from across the African continent will be invited to present their innovation, a mix of programmatic and new tool/products and approaches. All speakers will give short 5-minute presentations (plus 1 minute changeover) which will be followed by a general Board discussion and questions before ending with decision points.

Opening	Vice Chair	5 minutes
Setting the stage	Jacob Creswell Innovations and Grants Team leader	15 minutes
Presenters and innovations are expected from:		
Cameroon, Ethiopia, Kenya, Lesotho, Mozambique, Nigeria, South Africa, Uganda, Zambia	Moderated Presentations of 12 Africa Innovators	70 minutes
Board Disucssion		20 minutes
Decision Points		10 minutes

