

Funding Request Support and Upcoming Events: GC7 Partner Details

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1. Funding request support

UNAIDS

[UNAIDS Technical Support Mechanism \(TSM\)](#) is a country-driven mechanism that operates in all regions but mainly in the East and Southern Africa, West and Central Africa, and Asia and Pacific region(s). TSM provides high-quality, short-term technical assistance to countries to support the development of data-informed, evidence-based Global Fund funding requests, as well as the removal of bottlenecks in grant implementation to effectively respond to the HIV epidemic. Thus, TSM support is throughout the grant cycle, including for the building blocks. To view examples of the kinds of support that TSM provides, please consult the [online tracker](#) for all of TSM's technical support assignments. Please contact the [UNAIDS country offices](#) to request technical support or write to tsm@unaid.org.

Roll Back Malaria (RBM)

The RBM Partnership to End Malaria provides support to Malaria Programmes and partners in the process of Funding request.

- Organize orientation meeting and provide guidance on the different GF application tools, new policy guidances from WHO and additional gap analysis tools.
- Provide technical support to complete the recommendations from TRP, and other documents including MPR and NSP in collaboration with WHO.
- Provide technical support through international consultants.
- Cover the cost of local consultants, in- country consultations and dialogue.

- Organize mock TRPs and provide expert review of the FRs.
- Provide technical support during grant making process and iterations.

Country programmes can directly send their needs any time they need TA through RBM.

World Health Organization

Proposal development

To aid countries in developing their proposals, WHO can support countries to:

- Review their performance (through joint monitoring missions and epidemiological assessments), identify gaps and weak links to strengthen, prioritize and cost interventions.
- Strengthen their strategic plans and investment cases – the basis for all Global Fund funding decisions – to ensure that they are technically sound, feasible to implement and impact-oriented.
- Prioritize interventions to maximize the impact of limited resources and helps them to draft technically sound funding requests.
- To review funding applications by organizing peer and expert reviews to ensure that proposals are technically sound and will have an impact on a country's epidemics.
- Convene country dialogues to ensure that funding requests reflect country priorities.

Grant-making

WHO can assist countries in obtaining grants by:

- Supporting countries to develop detailed budgets and workplans, monitoring and evaluation plans, and procurement and supply-chain management plans.
- Identifying priorities, assessing risks, and developing sustainable financing strategies.
- Supporting grant negotiations by making technical staff available to participate in the negotiation process, thus ensuring that countries maintain technically sound interventions in the final grants.
- Provides normative guidance, tools, etc. as reference to ensure grants are negotiated based on the best available technical guidance.

Grant implementation

To ensure successful implementation of grants, WHO can:

- Help countries to develop annual workplans for their disease programs and monitor the progress of implementation, including facilitating annual reviews and strategic mid-term reviews.
- Support countries in identifying and resolving implementation bottlenecks.

- Provide information on new technical norms and standards and helps countries to update policies and guidelines according to the local context, as well as build capacity to effectively implement their programs.
- Facilitate the transfer of knowledge and skills, to progressively expand national institutional and staff capacities for effective implementation.
- Create regional forums for peer-to-peer learning and south-to-south experience sharing.
- Strengthen local health policy expertise through WHO collaborating centers.
- Help countries to collect and analyze their health data and use this information to improve their program's performance and make evidence-based decisions.
- Compile and analyze national, regional and global health data and makes these data available to all stakeholders, including the Global Fund; and
- Support countries to anticipate and address future health scenarios.

Accessing Technical Support

Countries can request technical support by contacting their WHO Regional Office Focal Point. Their contact information is listed below.

Names and contact information of Regional Focal Points

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¹ **AFRO:** Algeria, Angola, Benin, Botswana, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Cameroon, Cabo Verde, Central African Republic, Chad, Comoros, Congo, Côte d'Ivoire, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Eswatini, Equatorial Guinea, Eritrea, Ethiopia, Gabon, Gambia, Ghana, Guinea, Guinea-Bissau, Kenya, Lesotho, Liberia, Madagascar, Malawi, Mali, Mauritania, Mauritius, Mozambique, Namibia, Niger, Nigeria, Rwanda, Sao Tome and Principe, Senegal, Seychelles, Sierra Leone, South Africa, South Sudan, Togo, Uganda, United Republic of Tanzania, Zambia and Zimbabwe.

AMRO/PAHO: Antigua and Barbuda, Argentina, Bahamas, Barbados, Belize, Bolivia (Plurinational State of), Brazil, Canada, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Cuba, Dominica, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, El Salvador, Grenada, Guatemala, Guyana, Haiti, Honduras, Jamaica, Mexico, Nicaragua, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Saint Kitts and Nevis, Saint Lucia, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, Suriname, Trinidad and Tobago, United States of America, Uruguay and Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of).

EMRO: Afghanistan, Bahrain, Djibouti, Egypt, Iran, Iraq, Jordan, Kuwait, Lebanon, Libya, Morocco, Occupied Palestinian territory, Oman, Pakistan, State of Palestine, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Somalia, Sudan, Syrian Arab Republic, Tunisia, United Arab Emirates and Yemen.

EURO: Albania, Andorra, Armenia, Austria, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Belgium, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Croatia, Cyprus, Czechia, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Georgia, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Monaco, Montenegro, Netherlands, North Macedonia, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Republic of Moldova, Romania, Russian Federation, San Marino, Serbia, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Tajikistan, Turkey, Turkmenistan, Ukraine, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and Uzbekistan.

SEARO: Bangladesh, Bhutan, Democratic People's Republic of Korea, India, Indonesia, Maldives, Myanmar, Nepal, Sri Lanka, Thailand and Timor-Leste.

WPRO: American Samoa, Australia, Brunei Darussalam, Cambodia, China, Cook Islands, Fiji, French Polynesia, Guam, Hong Kong, China, Japan, Kiribati, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Macao, China, Malaysia, Marshall Islands, Micronesia, Federated States of, Mongolia, Nauru, New Caledonia, New Zealand, Niue, Northern Mariana Islands, Palau, Papua New Guinea, Philippines, Pitcairn Islands, Republic of Korea, Samoa, Singapore, Solomon Islands, Tokelau, Tonga, Tuvalu, Vanuatu, Viet Nam and Wallis and Futuna.

L'Initiative

French version

Lancée fin 2011, L'Initiative est une modalité française complémentaire du Fonds mondial. Elle apporte une assistance technique et un appui à l'innovation aux pays récipiendaires du Fonds mondial pour améliorer l'efficacité de ses subventions et renforcer l'impact sanitaire des programmes financés. Elle contribue ainsi à garantir l'efficacité de la riposte aux pandémies.

Parmi les 48 pays éligibles aux appuis de L'Initiative se trouvent les 19 pays prioritaires de l'aide publique au développement de la France. Les évolutions récentes de L'Initiative amplifient son effet catalytique en renforçant les capacités des acteurs de la santé et de la société civile, en améliorant les cadres institutionnels, politiques et sociaux, et en soutenant des approches innovantes contre les pandémies et en renforcement des systèmes pour la santé.

Elle est mise en œuvre par Expertise France, l'agence de coopération technique internationale.

En savoir plus : www.initiative5pour100.fr

English version

Launched at the end of 2011, L'Initiative is a French facility that complements the Global Fund's work. It provides technical assistance and support for innovation to Global Fund recipient countries to improve the effectiveness of grants and strengthen the health impact of the programs funded. As such, it contributes to ensuring the effectiveness of the response to pandemics.

Among the 48 countries eligible for support from L'Initiative are the 19 priority countries for French official development aid. L'Initiative's recent work has demonstrated its catalytic effect through building the capacity of health and civil society stakeholders, improving institutional, political and social frameworks, supporting innovative approaches to respond to pandemics and strengthening systems for health.

It is implemented by Expertise France, the international technical cooperation agency.

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GIZ

[BACKUP Health](#) provides technical support to focus countries through all the stages of the Global Fund grant cycle primarily to strengthen health systems (RSSH). During funding request development, in-country partners, both state and non-state, are supported in organizing and conducting robust and inclusive country dialogues to generate consensus on the countries' priorities for inclusion in the grants. Partners are supported to generate the relevant evidence needed to formulate policies/strategies and experts are deployed to support the proposal writing process. During grant making, partners are supported to define ideal implementation arrangements and roadmaps that will enable efficient implementation of the grants. Partners receive support throughout the implementation cycle of grants in the form of capacity development, evidence generation, catalytic gap-filling and exploring innovations for potential scale-up. These supports are provided in a variety of ways such as direct advisory support by BACKUP advisors, engagement and deployment of external

experts for technical support or development of policy documents/operational tools, and financial support.

Types of support BACKUP is willing to provide for countries in the ongoing country dialogues and/or for the funding request:

- Support/ strategic advice for RSSH assessments, gap analyses and prioritisation of interventions in focus countries
- Advisory to promote inclusion and support participation of civil society and key populations in country dialogues and proposal writing
- Provide strategic advice to ensure evidence informed CSS strategies and gender sensitivity human rights are cross-cutting themes across the proposals.
- Deployment of technical experts to support thematic working groups for development of RSSH and cross-cutting disease interventions and writing of proposal.
- Advisory for promotion of integration, alignment and building synergies across disease grants.

The process for accessing this support:

Country dialogue and funding request processes: In focus countries, BACKUP advisors engage closely with CCMs, PRs and other partners to jointly identify potential areas of support through an iterative and collaborative process. This is guided by roadmaps developed by the countries/CCMs for the proposal development process and mapping of resources from the different partners supporting the FR process to ensure synergies and complementarities. Mode of support is discussed and agreed jointly with the primary beneficiaries of the support (e.g., CCMs, CSOs, government agencies).

2. Upcoming Events

UNAIDS

Upcoming workshops for consultants

- **Engaging communities throughout**
 - Weds 22nd Feb 9.30-11.30am GMT
 - Thurs 23rd Feb 2-4pm GMT
- **Integrated people-centred systems and services and RSSH**
 - Jan 24th or Jan 26th
- **Overview of tools including GOALS and revised tools for NSP assessment and checklist**
 - Weds Jan 18th 9.30-11.30am GMT
 - Thurs 19th 2-4pm GMT

- **Deep dive on budgeting/cost-effectiveness analysis**
 - Weds 8th Feb 9.30-11.30am GMT
 - Thurs 9th 2-4pm GMT
 - Community Led Monitoring: Dates to be determined

Roll Back Malaria (RBM)

- **Mock TRP: 1 Feb 21-23, 2023 - Nairobi, Kenya – confirmed**
- **Mock TRP: 2 May 2-4, 2023 tentative**
- **Mock TRP: 3 July 19-21, 2023 tentative**

World Health Organization

Orientation events for GF allocation 2023-2025

- **UN Joint Programme workshops on maximizing the 2023-2025 cycle of Global Fund HIV Applications**, for country delegations and technical consultants.
 - 17-21 October in Nairobi for the East and Southern African Sub Region – Anglophone.
 - 5-9 December in Saly, Senegal for the West and Central Africa – Francophone and Guinea-Bissau.
 - **Asia Pacific (TBD)**
- **WHO Webinar for country orientation on the TB component of the next Global Fund cycle - 13-16 +19 Dec.**
 - All Global Fund TB eligible countries invited – translation to Spanish, Portuguese, French and Russian.
 - 4 three-hour sessions in mornings for SEARO WPRO and EMRO and EURO.
 - 4 three-hour sessions in afternoons for AFRO and AMRO.
- **RBM orientation workshop on allocation cycle 2023-2025 for all GF malaria eligible countries.**
 - 12-14 December (Anglophone countries), Nairobi.
 - 15-17 December (Francophone, Spanish and Portuguese), Nairobi.

Orientation and support for cross-cutting investments

- **Workshop for preparation of the RSSH funding round for 2023-2025** “Investing in primary health care: a key lever for achieving the objectives of the fight against the three pandemics and the goal of universal health coverage”, Senegal 18-20 January 2023.
 - Organized by Africa Constituency Bureau (ACB), Global Fund and WHO
 - Countries to participate: Congo, Chad, CAR, Guinea Bissau, Mauritania, Senegal, Madagascar, and Mali, as well as sharing of experiences from DR Congo and Côte d’Ivoire.
- As part of Strategic Initiative South South Learning and Strategic Support to Countries, **WHO has funding to support ten countries to develop their RSSH funding request (or RSSH components withing a HIV, TB or malaria funding request).**
 - Bangladesh, DR Congo, Haiti, Indonesia, Liberia, Madagascar, Namibia, Nigeria, Pakistan, and Philippines.
 - Sudan, Mali and Centra African Republic are as back up alternative countries.

WHO UNAIDS and RBM joint peer review workshops

- **PAHO and EURO** to conduct remote multi-disciplinary reviews of draft funding requests to ensure high quality submission to the Technical Review Panel
- **SEARO** peer review workshop for TB, HIV, Malaria, including cross-cutting and health systems, in Bangkok on 13-15 February 2023
- **Peer Review workshops of draft funding requests**
 - Window 1: Nairobi, February 21-23, 2023
 - Window 2: May 2-4, 2023 (tbc)
 - Window 3: July 19-21, 2023 (tbc)