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Partnership Forum 2008
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Overview

• Accompanying Reports:

– the “Report of the Third Partnership Forum”, prepared by the lead facilitator of the meeting (GF/B19/14)

– A decision point prepared by the PSC (included in GF/B19/14)

– A list of proposed Board committees to oversee follow-up on Partnership Forum 2008 recommendations (GF/B19/4 Annex 1)
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Overview

• Also available
  – The e-Forum report in various languages (at the Welcome Desk)

• Presentation will summarize objectives, outcomes, highlight some of the lessons learned

• Board to take note of the Partnership Forum report and decide on parameters for the next Partnership Forum
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Background

• Board decision at Fourteenth Meeting to hold the third Partnership Forum in 2008
• Preparations were overseen by the Partnership Forum Steering Committee (PFSC), a sub-committee of the PSC
• e-Forum held from April to October 2008
• Partnership Forum in Dakar, Senegal, 8-10 December 2008
• Final PFSC report discussed at 11th PSC in March 2009
Objectives

**Overall goal:** Communicate and consult with all Global Fund stakeholders

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1. Review and provide feedback on the progress of the Global Fund and develop recommendations on its strategy, policy and practice;

2. Provide an open and visible platform for understanding, learning and debate for all partners in the work of the Global Fund, including relevant actors not currently involved in the work of the Global Fund;

3. Mobilize and sustain political commitment to define, create and articulate demand and to ensure sustainable long-term financing.
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Outcomes – e-Forum 1

• 24 weeks of discussions between April and October 2008 on gender, demand, implementation, partnership

• 3292 registered members of MyGlobalFund.org in four languages (English: 68%, French: 16%, Spanish: 12% and Russian: 4%) – 2006: 1350 e-Forum participants

• 2021 messages from 476 individuals in 112 countries (English: 54%, French: 22%, Spanish: 15% and Russian: 9%) - 38% increase over 2006
Outcomes – e-Forum 2

• Functioned well as an integral and important part of the Partnership Forum process, considerably broadening the number and range of stakeholders involved

• Interim reports provided to inform the discussions on the strategies for Gender Equality and Sexual Minorities and for the partnerships consultations

• Final report in four languages was prepared in time for the stakeholder meeting in December

• Recommendation: *Explore ways to better integrate e-Forum discussions into the overall Partnership Forum process*
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Outcomes – Stakeholder meeting 1

Participation

• 450 persons from 104 countries (incl. Secretariat); 44% women; 6% communities

• Generally good balance among sectors (more private sector, donor country parliamentarians than in 2006); regions; diseases; persons familiar with the GF vs. newcomers

• But: persons representing communities living with and affected by the diseases and members of parliaments in implementing countries under-represented
Outcomes – Stakeholder meeting 2

Recommendations:

• *PSC stressed the need for further efforts to balance representation of different sectors, diseases and regions to achieve effective participation in the future*

• *Explore options to diversify the languages for communication with invitees and participants*
Programme

Overall structure of programme and balance among different components were adequate. Different formats allowed for effective participant engagement.

Recommendations

• Improve information clinics/skills building sessions
• Facilitate networking more effectively
• Refine process for the development and discussion of recommendations
• Include knowledgeable resource persons (Secretariat staff, Board members) in all sessions to ensure that factual information is available whenever needed
Outcomes – Stakeholder meeting 4

Facilitation

Early involvement and excellent work of Lead facilitator were crucial for the success of the Partnership Forum.

Recommendation:

• *The facilitation team should be established earlier so that balance can be ensured and sufficient back-up planned*
Outcomes – Stakeholder meeting 5

Logistics
Link with ICASA provided little synergies but led to major logistical challenges. Conference site itself was generally suitable. Interpretation was provided in all plenaries and breakout sessions.

Recommendations:
• Choose venue and date based on logistical suitability. Do not link with other, non-Global Fund events
• Organize next stakeholder meeting earlier in the year; avoid years with other closely related major international conferences
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### Budget and Expenditure

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* Estimate.
** Additional funds approved at 10th PSC.
Follow-up on Recommendations

Systematic follow-up:

• PSC proposes to assign responsibility for oversight of follow-up on recommendations to specific Board committees (GF/B19/4 Annex 1)

• Committee leadership to review list and amend if necessary to reflect decision on committee structure taken on previous day
• Broad opportunity for input on strategic and operational issues (e.g. strategic: Gender Equality Strategy, Partnership Strategy; operational: issues related to expression of demand, programme implementation at country level)

• Discussions in the e-Forum and at the stakeholder meeting were well linked into ongoing strategy and policy development processes. Final recommendations are relevant and actionable
Positive feedback from participants (both e-Forum and Partnership Forum meeting) on usefulness of discussions and networking opportunities for their work.

Positive feedback on level of transparency and opportunities for participation.
a) The Board takes note of the “Partnership Forum 2008 Report” (GF/B19/14) and agrees to use the recommendations contained therein to inform ongoing strategic planning and management of the Global Fund. The Board assigns responsibility to oversee follow-up on the recommendations to its committees as laid out in Annex 1 to GF/B19/4.
b) The Board decides to hold the fourth Partnership Forum in the first half of 2011 and approves the following amendment to Article 6.3 of the By-Laws:

By-Laws: Article 6.3 Frequency and notice of meetings

The Partnership Forum will meet biennially, at any time during even calendar years every 24 to 30 months.

Meetings of the Partnership Forum shall be convened by written notice from or on behalf of the Foundation Board.
c) The Board mandates the Policy and Strategy Committee to establish a Partnership Forum Steering Committee to start planning for this event early in 2010.

d) **The format, duration and organization of the fourth Partnership Forum should build on the lessons learned from previous Partnership Fora.**
e) The Board approves a budget of USD 1,500,000 as an upper limit for the fourth Partnership Forum and requests the Finance and Audit Committee to ensure that provision is made in the 2010 budget for adequate staff resources.

This decision does not have material budgetary implications in 2009.