

2020-2022 Strategic Initiatives

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Global Fund catalytic investments support programs, activities and strategic initiatives that complement country allocations and that are essential to achieve the aims of the Global Fund Strategy 2017-2022 and global partner plans.

For 2020-2022, catalytic investments include strategic initiatives that are needed to support the success of country allocations but cannot be funded through country grants. In November 2019, the Global Fund Board approved 19 workstreams totaling US\$343 million under the strategic initiatives modality.

Global Fund Strategic Objective (SO)	Strategic Initiative Modality Workstream	Objective	Amount (US\$ millions)
SO1: Maximize Impact against HIV, Tuberculosis and Malaria	Differentiated HIV service delivery	Incentivize increased program quality and efficiency along the HIV testing and treatment cascade, through best-practices promotion and acceleration of country implementation of approaches through expert technical support	15
	TB preventive treatment for people living with HIV	Catalyze accelerated scale-up of TB preventive treatment (TPT) as part of an HIV package of care to reduce HIV mortality and morbidity related to tuberculosis	5
	Condom programming	Establish permanent and functional national capacity to manage condom programming as a core part of comprehensive HIV prevention in select countries. Absence of leadership and capacity in national HIV programs results in sub-optimal planning, forecasting and use of commodities, and limited social marketing. is sub-optimal access and use of condoms, wastage and ultimately increased risk of HIV transmission	5
	Targeted technical assistance for innovative approaches to finding missing people with tuberculosis	Address specific barriers to finding and treating missing tuberculosis cases, develop innovative health facility and community-based approaches to accelerate case finding, and increase uptake and scale up of tuberculosis preventive treatment (TPT).	14
	Malaria E-2025 initiative	Accelerate efforts in countries to achieve the Global Technical Strategy for Malaria to eliminate malaria in at least 35 countries by 2030	8
	Regional coordination and targeted technical assistance for implementation and elimination	Increase the program quality of malaria programs through strategic regional coordination mechanisms in southern Africa, south-east Asia and the Sahel regions	10
	Addressing insecticide resistance through accelerated introduction of new nets	Address the growing threat of insecticide resistance by piloting WHO prequalified insecticide treated nets (ITNs) treated with more effective insecticides to allow early access in key countries, expand evidence on the cost-effectiveness of new nets compared to standard pyrethroid only nets, inform prioritization decisions; and support market shaping activities to bring prices down to affordable levels	50
	Piloting introduction of malaria vaccine	Pilot implementation of the RTS, S/AS01 malaria vaccine in selected areas of sub-Saharan Africa to support the rigorous evaluation of feasibility of implementation, impact, and safety in the context of routine use. Evidence generated by the Malaria Vaccine Implementation Program (MVIP) will inform a policy recommendation by WHO regarding its wider use in sub-Saharan Africa	8
SO2: Building Resilient and Sustainable Systems for Health	Sustainability, transition and efficiency	Support implementation of the Sustainability, Transition, and Co-Financing policy and complement the Global Fund's overall work on sustainability, transition and efficiency	18

	Data	Improve availability, quality & use of data including focus on coverage, quality & efficiency. The aim is to build and strengthen in-country national monitoring and evaluation platform and systems to accommodate the specific data and information needs to fight the 3 diseases and achieve the adequate reporting for Universal Health Coverage.	35
SO3: Promote and Protect Human Rights and Gender Equality	Community, rights and gender	Strengthened engagement of community and civil society in Global Fund processes. Engagement of community and civil society actors at all stages in the grant life cycle is critical in the design, development and implementation of effective responses to the three diseases and systems strengthening, ensuring that global fund investments evolve as responsive to those most impacted	16
	Human rights	To accelerate progress in delivering intensive support aimed at comprehensively addressing human rights-related barriers to HIV, TB and malaria services in 20 countries	5
Crosscutting Objectives	TERG independent evaluation	Conduct independent evaluation of the Global Fund to supplement the independent evaluation budget in the OPEX	22
	Emergency fund	Provide quick access to funds and flexibility to address needs for essential prevention and treatment services during emergency situations that cannot be funded simply through the reprogramming of existing grants	20
	CCM evolution	Improve Country Coordinating Mechanism (CCM) performance by evolving CCM model to ensure CCM stakeholders are best placed to deliver new Global Fund strategy	15
	PMS Transformation	Develop domestic capacity and robust in-country supply chain & procurements systems strengthening supply chain organizations and building ownership and optimized workforce performance by implementing PSM transformation plans that improve harmonization, sustainability, and reduce inefficiencies in national systems	20
	Service delivery innovations	Support better service delivery for the three diseases through more strategic and innovative RSSH approaches, leading to improved health outcome, by combining technical support, south to south collaboration, peer review and learning	47
	Accelerated introduction of innovations	Facilitate the introduction of innovative health products into Global Fund supported countries to address quality and programmatic related barriers in countries, and at global level	10
	Innovative finance	Provide a pool of funds to support innovative finance transactions, which leverage additional investments in health and the three diseases to address key epidemiological needs	20
	Total		343

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