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## DECISIONS OF THE 16<sup>TH</sup> MEETING OF THE RBM PARTNERSHIP BOARD OF 1 AND 2 DECEMBER 2020

### [RBM/B16/2020/DP01 – Adoption of the agenda](#)

The Board of the RBM Partnership to End Malaria adopted the provisional agenda RBM/B16/2020/DP01 with the following changes:

- Item V became Workplan and Budget 2021
- Item VI became RBM Strategic Plan 2021-2025
- Item VII became Update on Data from PMI
- Item VIII became AOB
- Item IX became CONCLUDING REMARKS
- Item X became HOSTING REPORT REVIEW – closed session
- Item XI became ANNUAL CEO PERFORMANCE ASSESSMENT – closed session

### [RBM/B16/2020/DP02 – Formation of the Working Group to coordinate Partnership inputs to the Global Fund strategy](#)

The Board of the RBM Partnership to End Malaria takes note of the critical importance of the Global Fund investments in malaria and the ongoing development of the next Global Fund strategy. The Board determined to form an *ad hoc* working group, consisting of members of the RBM Board, Partner Committees and Secretariat, with the urgent goal of aligning on a malaria community position to inform the Global Fund strategy. This will include how best to ensure RSSH investments support activities that will maximize key malaria outcomes.

The working group will engage immediately with the Global Fund Strategy discussions currently underway, and will consult with the full RBM Partnership Board to consolidate Partnership positions on malaria until the new Strategy Framework is approved by the Global Fund in 2021.

#### **RBM/B16/2020/DP03 – Approval of the Board rotation plan**

The Board of the RBM Partnership to End Malaria adopted the Board Rotation plan as follows:

- a) The Board Rotation plan 2020-2022 was approved by the Board.
- b) The Board Selection Committee (BSC) was reconstituted with new membership.
- c) The BSC, with administrative support from the Secretariat, will solicit applications from suitably qualified individuals, compile a short-list of candidates and make recommendations on new Board members for 2021 by the end of the first quarter of 2021 and for appointments in 2022 by the third quarter of 2021 for Board consideration and approval.

#### **RBM/B16/2020/DP04 – Appointment of the Board Committee on Performance and Accountability (BPAC)**

The RBM Partnership to End Malaria Board decided to appoint a new, time-limited Board Committee on Performance and Accountability (BPAC). The BPAC will develop recommendations to:

- a) Assess and continuously improve Board performance through proportionate and objective annual assessments, and
- b) Assess and continuously improve Board accountability mechanisms, including through a more systematic engagement between the Board and stakeholders.

Recommendations will be presented to the 17<sup>th</sup> Board meeting in May 2021 for consideration, adoption and implementation.

**RBM/B16/2020/DP05 – Adoption of the RBM Partnership Strategic Plan 2021-2025 and 2021 Workplan and Budget**

The Board of the RBM Partnership to End Malaria approves:

- the RBM Partnership Strategic Plan 2021–2025; and
- the 2021 Workplan and Budget.

The Secretariat is tasked to elaborate a five-year strategy implementation plan, incorporating high-level key performance indicators (KPIs), for approval by the Board at its next Board meeting. This implementation plan shall be informed by the 2021 workplan and reflect relevant comments made at the 16<sup>th</sup> RBM Board Meeting.

**RBM/B16/2020/DP06 – Board consensus on Hosting matters**

The Board of the RBM Partnership to End Malaria discussed the status of revisions to the UNOPS Operational Instructions (OI) which standardize the hosting terms for UNOPS-hosted Partnerships. The Board determined to rapidly develop a procedural Annex for approval by the Board to accompany the agreement for final signoff between UNOPS and the RBM Partnership.

Following the RBM/B15/2020/DP02 decision taken at the last Board Meeting on the Hosting Review, from DP02/B15, Board members take note of the progress reported and will continue to explore alternative detailed arrangements, guided by the Hosting Working Group, as a risk mitigation approach for presentation to the Board in May 2021.

**Signed:**



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Board Chair



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