



**GOVERNING BOARD OF THE GLOBAL EDCTP3 JOINT UNDERTAKING
DECISION N°
GB 15/2022**

THE GOVERNING BOARD OF THE GLOBAL HEALTH JOINT UNDERTAKING,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EU) No 2021/2085 of 19 November 2021 establishing the Joint Undertakings under Horizon Europe¹ (hereinafter "the Regulation"), in particular Article 22;

Having regard to Article 22(3) of the Regulation, stating that the Governing Board shall establish the specific criteria and selection process for the composition of the stakeholders group (hereinafter "Stakeholders Group") of the Global Health EDCTP3 Joint Undertaking;

Having regard to the specific provisions on the Global Health EDCTP3 Joint Undertaking Stakeholders Group in Article 109 of Part Two of the Regulation;

By written procedure, has adopted the following decision:

Article

The specific criteria and selection process for the composition of the Global Health EDCTP3 Stakeholders Group annexed to this decision are hereby adopted.

Done at Brussels, 15 February 2022,

Irene Norstedt
Chairperson of the Global Health EDCTP3
Joint Undertaking Governing Board

¹ OJ L 427, 30.11.2021, p. 17.

Selection process for the members of the Global Health EDCTP3 Stakeholders Group

1. For the purpose of selecting the members of the Stakeholders Group, a transparent Call for Expression of Interest (hereinafter referred to as “CoEI”) is to be launched.
2. The CoEI is to be launched by the Executive Director of the Joint Undertaking. He/she must ensure that the process foreseen in this Governing Board Decision and the specific criteria required of the future members are duly taken into account in the CoEI. The Executive Director shall foresee the overall process under the authority of the Governing Board.
3. The CoEI should be drafted in such a way as to safeguard the principles of ensuring a balanced representation in terms of:
 - Stakeholders’ thematic expertise;
 - Geographical distribution;
 - Gender;
 - Sector (public institutions/industry/academia/civil society);
 - Other relevant principles as required.
4. Additional expertise or skills required and set out in Articles 99 and 100 of the Regulation should be reflected in the CoEI and the subsequent selection process. The same applies to any exclusion/ineligibility criteria to membership of the Stakeholders Group.
5. The CoEI is to be published on the website of the Joint Undertaking and in such other publications as are necessary to ensure the widest possible openness. The publications should be sector specific.
6. Following the deadline of the CoEI, the Executive Director will prepare a list of all candidates eligible to become members of the Stakeholders Group based on the essential criteria referred to in this same Governing Board Decision. A candidate who does not meet the essential eligibility criteria should be excluded from the next steps of the selection process.
7. The list of candidates prepared by the Executive Director will be proposed to an evaluation panel, composed of a given number of members, who will carry out an objective assessment of the eligible candidates on the basis of all the specific selection criteria set out in this Decision. The outcome of the evaluation will be to establish a shortlist of up to 25 candidates. The shortlist will only include those candidates deemed best suited for appointment. In addition to this shortlist, the evaluation panel will also draw up a reserve list with up to 20 candidates.
8. The Chair of the Governing Board will present the results of the evaluation panel’s selection process to the Governing Board. The Governing Board is also to be informed of:
 - The candidates not included in the shortlist/reserve list; and
 - The list of the candidates already excluded by the Executive Director in his/her initial selection.

9. The Governing Board will appoint the members on the shortlist. The Governing Board will also approve the reserve list.
10. The term of appointment of the members of the Stakeholders Group, shall be of two years. Renewal for two additional years shall be possible. Renewal should be based on a decision of the Governing Board acting on recommendation of the Executive Director.
11. The reserve list approved by the Governing Board should, in principle, be valid for the term of appointment (including renewal) of the members of the Stakeholders Group. The reserve list serves for the purpose of replacing members that (during their term) stop, for whichever reason, being members of the Stakeholders Group. Appointees from the reserve list should only serve for the remaining term (including renewal) of the member they replace. Appointment of a person on the reserve list should only be possible if the latter continues to satisfy the eligibility criteria in this Governing Board Decision.

Specific selection criteria

1. The essential criteria is:
 - (a) At least five years professional experience in the relevant field.
2. The evaluation criteria are:
 - (a) Representing a stakeholder having expertise or working in one of the following areas:
 - Patient organizations;
 - Civil society in global health , in particular as regards infectious diseases in sub-Saharan Africa;
 - Professional international and regional organizations active in the areas of global health, especially infectious diseases in sub-Saharan Africa;
 - Local or regional government representatives providing health services in sub-Saharan Africa and addressing infectious diseases;
 - Social entrepreneurs and product development partnerships developing solutions for issues in global health, especially infectious diseases in sub-Saharan Africa;
 - Businesses/industry/SMEs working in the area of global health, especially infectious diseases in sub-Saharan Africa;
 - Research institutions addressing infectious diseases affecting sub-Saharan Africa;
 - Other funders of Global Health research with a focus on low and middle income countries.
 - (b) Very good command of written and spoken English

3. In its assessment, the Governing Board shall take into account:
 - (a) The competencies and expertise that are necessary to provide input on the scientific, strategic and technological priorities to be addressed by the Global Health EDCTP3 Joint Undertaking
 - (b) The need to reflect a balanced stakeholder representation from a geographic, thematic and gender perspective, including in particular African expertise. As far as possible, the Global Health EDCTP3 Stakeholders Group should be balanced in terms of North-South representation with preference for European and African stakeholders.
4. European Commission staff, including external staff working for the Commission, staff of the Joint Research Centre and officials of Member States shall not be eligible.
5. Persons who are employed by an organisation that is member of the Global Health EDCTP3 Joint Undertaking or who are employed directly by the Joint Undertaking shall not be eligible.