



GOVERNING BOARD OF THE GLOBAL HEALTH EDCTP3 JOINT UNDERTAKING DECISION N° GB/09/2024

Adopting the Global Health EDCTP3 JU Anti-Fraud Strategy

THE GOVERNING BOARD OF THE GLOBAL HEALTH EDCTP3 JOINT UNDERTAKING (hereafter “Global Health EDCTP3 JU”),

Having regard to Council Regulation (EU) No 2021/2085 of 19 November 2021 establishing the Joint Undertakings under Horizon Europe and repealing Regulations (EC) No 219/2007, (EU) No 557/2014, (EU) No 558/2014, (EU) No 559/2014, (EU) No 560/2014, (EU) No 561/2014 and (EU) No 642/2014 (hereafter “the founding regulation”), in particular articles 16 (1), (2), (3), 19(4)(s) and 107 thereof,

Having regard to the Financial Rules of the Global Health EDCTP3 JU¹, and in particular articles 14(2)(d), 23(1)(a)(iii) and 33(4)(e),

Having regard to the Rules of Procedure of the Governing Board of the Global Health EDCTP3 JU, and in particular Article 10 thereof,

WHEREAS:

- (1) To provide a framework for the activities related to battling fraud, the European Commission adopted its Anti-Fraud Strategy². Its latest version was adopted in 2023 for the purpose of applying it to the Multiannual Financial Framework 2021-2027;
- (2) As a matter of consistency and harmonisation across Horizon Europe, the Global Health EDCTP3 JU should implement appropriate controls and procedures to combat fraud in accordance with the applicable rules and the Anti-Fraud Strategy applied by the Commission and in particular within the “Research Family”;
- (3) An anti-fraud strategy is based on the identification of the potential risks for the entity and the measures to manage those risks. In this regard, given that the Global Health EDCTP3 JU has recently been acquired operational capacity to implement its own budget, more experience is still to be gained to acquire sufficient specific knowledge on the activities and risks associated to them;
- (4) The Anti-Fraud Strategy of the Research Family should therefore be endorsed as a framework strategy to be used by analogy, pending the adoption of the specific Global Health EDCTP3 JU Anti-Fraud Strategy at a later stage;
- (5) For the purpose of transparency, the Global Health EDCTP3 Anti-Fraud Strategy should be adopted by the Governing Board.

¹ Governing Board decision GB/22/2022

² https://anti-fraud.ec.europa.eu/policy/policies-prevent-and-deter-fraud/european-commission-anti-fraud-strategy_en

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

Article 1

The Common Anti-Fraud Strategy in the Research and Innovation Family (RAFS) annexed to this Decision is adopted by analogy as the Global Health EDCTP3 JU Anti-Fraud Strategy.

Article 2

This decision shall enter into force on the date of its adoption.

Done at Brussels, 15 March 2024.

For the Global Health EDCTP3 Joint Undertaking Governing Board

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Chairperson of the Governing Board

Annex:

1. Common Anti-Fraud Strategy in the Research and Innovation Family (2023 update)