BACKGROUND AND AIMS

The World Health Organization’s Global TB Report 2016 had two top messages:

- **Tuberculosis is now the leading infectious disease killer**
- **Actions and investments worldwide are far from those needed to accelerate to end the TB epidemic.**

Governments have begun to recognize this inadequate start to the 15-year push to end the epidemic. There is recognition that the roadmap for action is provided by the WHO End TB Strategy and the UN Sustainable Development Goal (SDG) Agenda, and the TB investments needed are laid out in Stop TB Partnership’s five-year Global Plan to End TB, 2016 to 2020. Yet, the political momentum is insufficient.

To begin to remedy this, the United Nations General Assembly (UNGA) has called for a first-ever **UNGA High-Level Meeting on TB** in 2018. To inform the High-Level Meeting, heads of state and other leaders, WHO and the Russian Federation are holding the first **WHO Global Ministerial Conference on Ending TB in the Sustainable Development Era: A Multisectoral Response**. This Conference in November 2017, is bringing together ministers of health, and those from other ministries, from across the globe. The expect outcome areas are: (1) Advancing the TB response within the SDG and antimicrobial resistance (AMR) Agendas; (2) Sufficient and sustainable financing; (3) Science, research and innovation; and (4) Multisectoral accountability.

The Global TB Symposium will address these outcome areas and steps being taken by key stakeholders. The WHO Symposium is co-organized with The Union, and with collaboration of the Centro Universitario de Ciencias de la Salud, Guadalajara, & the Pan American Health Organization/AMRO.

OBJECTIVES

1. To review End TB progress made in the last year and actions taken by governments, civil society, parliamentarians, researchers and agencies, including in the Americas.

**Global TB Symposium Agenda**

**7:45 - 8:15  DEDICATED BUSES**

Free buses will leave EXPO Guadalajara from in front of the big Tent “Expo Foro”, corner of Mariano Otero and Las Rosas) to Centro Universitario de Ciencias de la Salud

**9:00 - 9:45  WELCOME AND AIMS OF THE DAY**

Ms Diana Weil, Coordinator, WHO Global TB Programme  
Mr José Luis Castro, Executive Director, The Union  
Dr Massimo Ghidinelli, Unit Chief, Pan American Health Organization/WHO Region of the Americas

Brief remarks: Innovating for global health – the role of the university  
Dr Jaime Andrade-Villanueva, Rector, University Centre for Health Sciences (CUCS), University of Guadalajara

**9:45-10:45  ON THE ROAD TO BIGGER COMMITMENTS, DATA AND IMPACTS**

**Moderator:** Dr Kitty van Weezenbeek  
Executive Director, KNCV TB Foundation

*The WHO Global Ministerial Conference on Ending TB in the SDG Era: A Multisectoral Response*, on the way to UNGA 2018 High-Level Meeting on TB  
Ms Diana Weil, Coordinator, Global TB Programme, World Health Organization

A new national strategy in India  
Dr Sunil Khaparde, Director, Revised National TB Programme, Indian Ministry of Health and Family Welfare

TB impact measurement and patient pathway analysis: Progress since Liverpool  
Dr Babis Sismanidis, Scientist, WHO Global TB Programme &  
Dr Christy Hanson, Senior Programme Officer, Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation

Questions & Answers

**10:45 - 11:05  COFFEE**
11:05- 12:00  STAKEHOLDER ACTIONS

Moderator:  Dr Haileyesus Getahun, Coordinator, WHO Global TB Programme

Outcomes of the 2017 End TB Strategy Summit of the Highest TB Burden Countries
Dr Julia Rios, Chief of the Peruvian National TB Programme, on behalf of the highest burden countries

Progress on the Civil Society Call to Action to End TB
Ms Jamila Ismoilova, Country Director, Tajikistan, Project Hope on behalf of the WHO Civil Society Task Force

Progress on parliamentary action
Hon. Warren Entsch MP, Co-chair of the Asia Pacific TB Caucus, and Member of the Global TB Caucus

Questions & Answers

12:00 – 13:00  MAKING THE CASE FOR INCREASED COMMITMENT TO TB RESEARCH

Moderators:  Mr Mike Frick, Senior Project Officer, TB/HIV, Treatment Action Group & Dr Nebiat Geberselassie, Technical Officer, WHO Global TB Programme

The case for TB vaccines
Dr Norbert Ndjeka, MDR-TB Director, Department of Health, South Africa & Dr Jacqui Shea, Chief Operating Officer, AERAS

The case for TB diagnostics
Dr Celine Garfin, National TB Programme Manager, Department of Health, The Philippines & Dr Claudia Denkinger, Head of TB, FIND

The case for TB drugs & regimens
Dr Carl Mendel, Sr. Vice President TB Alliance

The case for implementation research
Dr. Frank Bonsu, National TB Programme Manager; Ministry of Health, Ghana & Dr William Wells, Sr. TB Technical Adviser, USAID

Questions & Answers
13:00 – 14:00 LUNCH (Provided)

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### 15:30 – 16:40 FOSTERING MULTI SECTORAL RESEARCH TO END TB

**Moderators:** Dr Priya Shete, WHO Global TB Programme/University of California, San Francisco & Dr Christy Hanson, Senior Programme Officer, Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation

- The intersection between social protection and TB elimination efforts -- a new social protection research agenda to meet policy and programmatic gaps in Brazil  
  Dr Kleydson Andrade, National TB Programme, Brazil

- The role of multi-sectoral research in improving quality of TB care in India  
  Dr Madhukar Pai, Professor & Director, Global Health Programs, McGill University

- Addressing the epidemiologic impact of UHC (Seguro Popular) in TB care and prevention in Mexico  
  Dr Lourdes Garcia-Garcia, Instituto Nacional de Salud Publica, Mexico

**Questions & Answers**

### 16:40 – 17:00 CLOSING

**Dr Jeremiah Chakaya Muhwa**, President, The Union & Chair of the Technical Review Panel, The Global Fund to Fight AIDS, TB and Malaria

**Mtlo. Itzcóatl Tonatiuh Bravo Padilla**, Rector General, University of Guadalajara

**Ms Diana Weil**, Coordinator, WHO Global TB Programme

### 17:00 – 17:15 Dedicated buses leaving for EXPO Guadalajara