

SEA CONSTITUENCY

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Updated on Board Matters

27th Committee Meetings

The Global Fund is organizing the 27th Committee Meetings on:

- **27th Ethics and Governance Committee Meeting** 12-13 March 2025, Virtual

The Ethics and Governance Committee will focus on the ethics, governance, and selection processes of the committees. On the first day, the committee will open the session and review its work plan and previous self-assessment. It will then discuss the 2024 Annual Ethics Opinion and progress in the ethics function. The day will end with a session on CCM governance and ethics.

On the second day, the committee will discuss how to improve governance and manage risks. It will review lessons learned from the Governance Performance Assessment. The committee will also receive updates on the selection processes for the next Executive Director and Board Leadership. The meeting will end with a written update on legal matters.

27th Strategy Committee Meeting

13-14 March 2025, in person in Geneva

The Strategy Committee will meet to review progress and plan future work. On the first day, they will discuss performance under the 2023–2028 strategy. They will also receive an update on country funding, including catalytic investments and CCMs, and discuss progress on RSSH and C19RM investments. Later, it will look ahead to Grant Cycle 8.

On the second day, the committee will review and recommend changes to the Terms of Reference for the Technical Review Panel (TRP). It will then discuss qualitative adjustment factors for 2026–2028 and partnerships with Gavi and GFF. The committee will also hear updates on market shaping, the IEP Annual Report, and learning from CELO.

- 27th Audit and Finance Committee Meeting

25-26 March 2025, in person in Geneva)

The Audit and Finance Committee will discuss key financial and risk matters. On the first day, the committee will review financial oversight and risk management, including the Annual Risk Report. It will also hear an update from the Office of the Inspector General (OIG) and discuss external audit matters, including the 2024 audit results and plans for the 2025 audit.

On the second day, the committee will receive updates on treasury management and resource mobilization, focusing on the 8th Replenishment. It will also discuss people and organizational updates, as well as procurement.

Global Fund News

South Africa and the United Kingdom Unite to Co-Host the Eighth Replenishment of the Global Fund, Reinforcing Their Commitment to Global Health

South Africa and the United Kingdom will co-host the Global Fund's Eighth Replenishment in 2025, demonstrating their commitment to the fight against HIV, TB, and malaria, and to strengthening global health security. This collaboration aligns with South Africa's G20 Presidency themes of solidarity, equality, and sustainable development.

The Global Fund's Eighth Replenishment Investment Case aims to save 23 million lives between 2027



and 2029 and accelerate efforts to end these three diseases. South Africa has been a significant partner since 2002, both as a recipient and donor, reflecting its leadership in health initiatives. The UK, a founding member and major donor since 2002, continues to support the Global Fund's mission.

Peter Sands, Executive Director of the Global Fund, expressed gratitude for this partnership, emphasizing the importance of sustained investment and global solidarity to address urgent health challenges and promote health equity. This underscores the critical role of international collaboration in building resilient health systems and ensuring equitable access to care worldwide.

For more details, please visit here.

The Global Fund Launches Investment Case for Eighth Replenishment

On 18 February 2025, the Global Fund launched its Investment Case for the Eighth Replenishment, aiming to raise at least US\$18 billion to fight AIDS, TB, and malaria between 2027 and 2029. This investment would save 23 million lives, prevent 400 million new infections, and reduce deaths from these diseases by 64% compared to 2023 levels.

The case highlights an urgent need for sustained investment to protect progress against these diseases, which are threatened by ongoing health crises and economic instability. One-third of the funding will strengthen health improving systems. pandemic preparedness global health and security.



INVESTMENT CASEEighth Replenishment 2025



The Global Fund emphasizes the economic value of investing in health, estimating a return of US\$19 for every dollar invested, amounting US\$323 billion in health and economic benefits. The replenishment also prioritizes equity, focusing resources on vulnerable populations and addressing barriers related to gender, human rights, and community resilience.

<u>Download the investment case here</u>.

Opportunity for Evaluation of Pharmaceutical Products - Antiretroviral (HIV/AIDS), Antihepatitis B and C, Antituberculosis and Antimalarial Medicines

The Global Fund invites manufacturers of pharmaceutical products to submit an expression of interest to have their products evaluated by the Expert Review Panel for pharmaceutical products. This evaluation will concern antiretroviral (HIV/AIDS), antihepatitis B and C, antituberculosis and antimalarial medicines. Detailed information about the review process and submission requirements can be found on the Expert Review Panel page.

The deadline for the submission is 4 April 2025.

For more details, please visit here.

The Global Fund Announces New Youth Council Members for 2024-2026

The Global Fund has introduced its new Youth Council members, a diverse group of young leaders from countries including Argentina, Bolivia, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Cameroon, Kyrgyzstan, Malawi, Nigeria, and Uganda. Established in 2020 by Executive Director Peter Sands, the Youth Council advises the Global Fund on issues affecting adolescents and youth living with or vulnerable to HIV, TB, and malaria. The new members will work to strengthen youth engagement at the highest levels of the Global Fund, ensuring that efforts to combat HIV, TB, and malaria remain inclusive and impactful.

Notably, the new cohort includes Bella Aubree from Indonesia, National Coordinator of Inti Muda Indonesia, who focuses on HIV, TB, and human rights for young key populations, and Himani Verma from India, a TB survivor and advocate with the TB Mukt Chhattisgarh Foundation. Their inclusion highlights South East Asia's presence.

For more details, please visit here.

SEA Constituency

Updates on SEA Constituency Meeting, April 2025

The SEA Constituency Meeting, originally scheduled to take place in the Maldives on 14-15 April 2025, will now be held fully virtually. This change was made due to a recent decision on the constituency budget. The Constituency Focal Point has reached out to CCM Chairs and Coordinators to share this update. For any questions or further information, please feel free to contact anur@kemkes.go.id or seaconstituency@gmail.com

What is the South East Asia (SEA) Constituency newsletter?

It is a monthly publication created to disseminate information from the Global Fund Board and Alternate Members of the SEA Constituency and the members.

Who are the recipients of this newsletter?

Primary recipients are Country Coordinating Mechanism (CCM) Chairs and Coordinators. It is also available to the broader public, including health providers, NGO members, and other interested individuals.

What will you find in the newsletter?

Updates on Global Fund Board-related matters, the latest Global Fund news, and country-specific initiatives for HIV, TB, and malaria.

Can this newsletter feature my organization's stories, activities, or opportunities (e.g. conferences or workshops)?

Absolutely! Please send your stories related to HIV, TB, or malaria by the 25th of each month to seaconstituency@gmail.com to be published in the following month's edition.

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The Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis, and Malaria

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