Decision sheet from the 1st Board meeting held on 31 Jan 2018

The first meeting of the Steering Committee/Governing Board took place on 31 January 2018 at 1400 hours CET in Geneva.

Present: James Hospedales (chair); Abbas Gullet; Celina Gorre, Jamshed Khamidov, Peter McDermott, Harald Nusser, Soraya Ramoul, Dinuke Ranasinghe, Alafia Samuels, Cherian Vergheese. In attendance: Mukesh Kapila, Nikhil Seth (represented by Emily Fraser).

Apologies: Subhanu Saxena

The Steering Committee/Governing Board considered the documents prepared for the meeting (listed below) discussed improvements and, subject to those revisions being incorporated (see revised documents as indicated below), resolved as follows:

Constitutive act

See document 2/2018 (revised) on current membership of the Steering Committee and its successor Governing Board.

Decision 1 (31Jan2018): Noting with appreciation the work done by the Steering Committee to initiate the Defeat-NCD Partnership, its members decide to constitute themselves as its Governing Board to serve with immediate effect and for the initial period till 31 December 2018.


Decision 3 (31Jan2018): The Governing Board decides to appoint Dr James Hospedales as its Chair, to serve for an initial period till 31 December 2018.

Decision 4 (31Jan2018): Noting with warm appreciation the encouragement provided by Michael Moller, Director General of the United Nations Office in Geneva, the Governing Board appoints Mr Moller as Hon President noting that this role does not have any fiduciary or legal obligations.

Progress update


Decision 5 (31Jan2018): The Governing Board appreciates the favourable reactions to the concept note dated 26 November 2017 in key stakeholder consultations, and adopts this as the founding framework for the Defeat-NCD Partnership, noting that this will be revised and updated with experience.
**Decision 6 (31 Jan 2018):** The Governing Board thanks the initial supporters of the Defeat-NCD Partnership, appreciates the United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) for its practical assistance in incubating the Partnership, and welcomes the progress that has been made so far.

Appointment of the Chief Executive


**Decision 7 (31 Jan 2018):** The Governing Board recognises the conceptual and foundational work done on the Defeat-NCD Partnership by Dr Mukesh Kapila, approves the terms of reference of the chief executive and decides to appoint Dr Kapila to this role for the period till 31 December 2018 or earlier if the longer-term chief executive of the Partnership has been selected and appointed.

**Decision 8 (31 Jan 2018):** The Governing Board decides to initiate a competitive process for the selection of the longer-term chief executive, including through public advertising for potentially interested candidates, as soon as feasible.

**Decision 9 (31 Jan 2018):** The Governing Board authorises the chief executive to make financial and programmatic decisions required for the effective and efficient day-to-day functioning of the Defeat-NCD Partnership, reporting to the Board on a regular and periodic basis.

Longer-term hosting arrangements

**Decision 10 (31 Jan 2018):** The Governing Board requests the chief executive to examine the best arrangements for the longer-term hosting of the Defeat-NCD Partnership, and to make recommendations to the Board accordingly. In making its selection, the Board will place particular emphasis on the potential hosting organisation’s demonstrated capacities to (i) host the Defeat-NCD Partnership’s secretariat in Geneva where it will remain headquartered and (ii) provide country programming support through the full range of services necessary for rolling out the four tracks of the Partnership in a cost effective and efficient manner.

List of Board documents:

Doc 1/2018 (31 Jan 2018): Annotated agenda and draft decision sheet
Doc 4/2018 (26 Nov 2017): Concept Note: Defeat-NCD Partnership
Doc 7/2018 (31 Jan 2018): Curriculum vitae of Professor Mukesh Kapila