

5th Partnership Forum Information Note

Every few years, the Global Fund convenes a Partnership Forum as a means of obtaining broad feedback and inputs on the Global Fund's strategic areas of focus. The 2015 Partnership Forum provides a unique opportunity for the Fund to reach out to a wide range of stakeholders for consultation and inputs as it develops its 2017 – 2021 Strategy.

The 2015 Partnership Forum allows both an open, wide consultation as well as more in-depth discussions with key stakeholders. The consultation events will focus on exploring general and key themes for consideration in the 2017 – 2021 Strategy, and will allow significant opportunity for input.

- **Open to all - Online e-Forum**, composed of high level strategic questions around key themes and opportunities for general input, available in multiple languages. Open from mid-April to the end of June 2015;
- **Invitation only** – three in-person consultations to be held in
 - Addis Ababa on 7-8 May;
 - Bangkok on 24-25 June
 - Latin America in early September 2015 (tbc)
- The Global Fund will also take advantage of other consultation opportunities, via events organised by partner organisations and relevant international meetings

The **theme** of the 2015 Partnership Forum is ***“Shaping Our Future: Collaborating for a Healthier World”***. This overarching motif will explore the 8 topics listed below as well as general feedback.

- Health Systems Strengthening
- Community Systems Strengthening
- Funding Model Feedback
- Gender
- Priorities for the three diseases
- Challenging Operating Environments
- Human Rights and Key Affected Populations
- Sustainability and Transition

Discussions around each of these themes will be informed by preceding in-person consultations, included Partnership Forums, as well as the Global Fund Strategy E-forum (<http://theglobalfund-eforum.org/consultation>).

Each in-person consultation meeting will bring together a carefully balanced group of around 130 participants (100 for the event in Latin America) representing a number of important stakeholder groups including:

In-country: (1) principal recipients and sub-recipients, (2) Country Coordinating Mechanisms, (3) civil society and community representatives, (4) Parliamentarians

Stakeholders with a governance, funding or assurance role: (5) Board and Committee representatives, (6) Donor governments, private foundations and other donors, (7) Local Fund Agents, (8) Academia, the TERG, the TRP, the Global Fund Observer

Global and regional partners: (9) the Private Sector, (10) Multilateral and Bilateral Partners. International civil society representatives will also be invited among this group.

A request for nominations has been initiated, with oversight by the Global Fund's Strategy, Investment and Impact Committee (SIIC). The nominations process will take great care to ensure a balance of both new and experienced voices, as well as ensuring representation across gender, disease, thematic and other essential factors to ensure maximum diversity among those invited.

Details of the events along with the formal invitation letter and will be provided to all nominated participants as soon as possible, allowing time for logistical arrangements prior to travel.

Questions on the Partnership Forums and additional information can be can obtained by emailing partnershipforum@theglobalfund.org

Thank you in advance and we look forward to your participation!

The Global Fund
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