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Letter of endorsement

Dear Sir/Madam,

On behalf of INDEPTH Network, 34-40 Mensah Wood Street, East Legon, P. O. Box KD 213, Kanda Accra, Ghana and in accordance with Council Regulation (EU) No 2085/2021 of 19th November 2021 establishing the joint undertakings under Horizon Europe and specifically Article 9 therein, I hereby submit an application to become a contributing partner to the Global Health EDCTP3 Joint Undertaking (Global Health EDCTP3 JU).

INDEPTH Network is an International Network of Demographic Evaluation of Population Health in developing countries established in 1998 as a public good. INDEPTH Network has coordinated the activities of its members to strengthen HDSS core capacities, harmonize various methodologies for data production, improved their ability to conduct large multi-site investigations that answer questions that cannot be addressed with single individual entities and widely shared both data and results that emanates from such activities. The INDEPTH Network provides a robust large-scale health and demographic surveillance systems across developing countries that is available to address current global health challenges. The current global health threats such as emerging and re-emerging diseases, the quest to find cure for existing communicable and non-communicable diseases presents INDEPTH as a unique platform to conduct research and undertake intervention studies to find solutions to these challenges in the developing world. The Malaria Clinical Trials Alliance (MCTA) was established in early 2006 as a project of the INDEPTH Network in 2006 with a grant from the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation established the Malaria Clinical Trials Alliance (MCTA). MCTA was a platform established to strengthen clinical trial capacity in Africa focusing on the following countries (Burkina Faso, Gabon, Ghana, Malawi, Nigeria, Tanzania, Senegal, Kenya, Malawi, The Gambia and Uganda). It aimed at enabling African institutions and scholars to participate fully in the development of new tools for addressing malaria and in conducting interventions against malaria. It also facilitated the development of sufficient near-term capacity in Africa to conduct GCP clinical trials for malaria vaccine and drug interventions and supported mentored and network trial sites toward self-sustaining clinical research centres. The INDEPTH Network also led a multicountry study, INDEPTH Effectiveness and Safety Studies of Anti-malarial Drugs in Africa (INESS) a platform that enabled African researchers to carry out large Phase IV trials for antimalarials in Africa under the direction of African researchers. It provided objective country-specific effectiveness and safety data to inform global and national policy and practice.

We propose to contribute to the Global Health EDCTP3 JU through in-kind operational contributions (IKOP) for the period of the programme. This contribution will include leveraging our scientific and administrative staff to GH EDCTP3 JU- funded projects. Our involvement will ensure the complete coordination activities of the programme.

This contribution aligns with Global Health EDCTP3 JU will ensure achieving the goals of SINCEP-Africa (Scientific leadership, Epidemic Preparedness and disease surveillance, Population health and environment, Ethics, regulatory, and pharmacovigilance, Clinical research and trial management, social impact, Data science, artificial intelligence (AI) and analytics, and Capacity strengthening and training).

We estimate the total value of our in-kind operational contribution to the amount of EUR 800,000 towards all aspects of the 8 WPs.

We confirm the following:

1. We will comply with the Horizon Europe Regulation (EU) No 2021/695; Council Regulation (EU) No 2085/2021 establishing the joint undertakings under Horizon Europe; the Model Grant Agreement for Horizon Europe and applicable Global Health EDCTP3 JU rules, including the relevant work programmes and in particular the call conditions therein.
2. We will keep all information received in the context of our involvement as contributing partner to the Global Health EDCTP3 JU confidential. This confidentiality obligation applies in particular but is not limited to the areas of Global Health EDCTP3 JU call topic preparation and publication, proposal submission and evaluation, and consortium formation. We further understand that this obligation strictly prohibits the release of confidential information to any legal entities save where specifically authorised by Global Health EDCTP3 JU. Internal dissemination of information within our organisation will be done on the basis of the “need-to-know” principle.
3. We are confident of our ability to fulfil the above commitments and further confirm our understanding that the Global Health EDCTP3 JU will allocate resources to the above topic based on these commitments.
4. The value of our contribution will be based on costs calculated in accordance with Article 6 of the Horizon Europe Model Grant Agreement.
5. We accept that additional modalities regarding the provision of our contribution may be defined in subsequent agreements or documents, such as a funding agreement and topic text.

Yours faithfully,



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