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Global Health EDCTP3 Joint Undertaking
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Letter of endorsement

Dear Sir/Madam,

On behalf of the Armauer Hansen Research Institute (AHRI), Ethiopia 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).

The Armauer Hansen Research Institute (AHRI), established in 1970 is a biomedical and clinical research wing of the Ethiopian Ministry of Health. The Institute conducts research on infectious and non-infectious diseases with tuberculosis being a primary focus area. The research areas we are working are in line with the Global Health EDCTP3 JU, which aims in reducing the burden of tuberculosis in sub-Saharan Africa.

In AERO-SHIELD proposal (Final ID: 101249101-2), that has been submitted in response to call HORIZON-JU-GH-EDCTP3-2025-01-TB-01-two-stage (Global collaboration action for the development of vaccines for reducing the disease burden of Tuberculosis in sub-Saharan Africa) is coordinated by Dr Elly Van Riet; AHRI will be a scientific lead and carryout the clinical trial. In addition, AHRI would provide a total in-kind contribution of € 1,075,660 (Seconded personnel with estimated total cost of € 955,500 for 327 PM by 16 staff members for WP 1, WP 2 and WP3) and internally invoiced goods and services with estimated total cost of € 120,160 (ELISA machine (45k); flow-cytometry (27k), bronchoscope (4.16k), MGIT (12k), leases and sample storage (22k) and hard copy data storage (12k) for WP3).

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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 programs 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 authorized by Global Health EDCTP3 JU. Internal dissemination of information within our organization 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.

Sincerely,



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