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To: The Chair of the Global Health EDCTP3 Joint Undertaking Governing Board

C/o Dr. Michael Makanga, Executive Director of the Global Health EDCTP3 Joint Undertaking

Global Health EDCTP3 Joint Undertaking

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Subject: Letter of Endorsement

Dear Sir/Madam,

With the letter Ref.No.HU/13/1636/25 dated on 02/09/2025 Hawassa University requested Ministry of Health-Ethiopia for collaboration in the successful implementation of the project funded by EDCTP3. On behalf of the Ministry of Health of Ethiopia, located at 1234 Sudan Street, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia; phone: (+251) 115 517 011; fax: (+251) 11 551 9366, and in accordance with Council Regulation (EU) No 2085/2021 of 19 November 2021 establishing the Joint Undertakings under Horizon Europe, and specifically Article 9 therein, I hereby submit an application for the Ministry to become a contributing partner to the Global Health EDCTP3 Joint Undertaking (Global Health EDCTP3 JU).

Ministry will provide support entirely as in-kind contributions through the Ministry's commitment of national infrastructure, staff, and technical resources. The in-kind contribution also includes making six regional health facilities in Ethiopia available for the conduct of malaria resistance surveillance, adaptive clinical trials, and diagnostic validation. Specifically, the Ministry will provide access to:

- provide a central laboratory facility, such as a genomic sequencing machine, throughout the project, including maintenance costs
- Surveillance facilities infrastructure for the project
- Dedicated surveillance expert staff and coordinator compensation payment, including salaries

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This contribution spans all project components and is directly relevant to molecular surveillance, adaptive clinical trials, point-of-care validation, pharmacovigilance, and policy translation. By embedding the project in existing MoH structures, this in-kind contribution ensures national ownership, sustainability, and the rapid translation of E-STAR project outputs into malaria treatment guidelines and public health practice in Ethiopia.

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 particularly the call conditions therein.
2. We will keep all information received in the context of our involvement as a 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.

Cc:

- Policy and Strategy Research Lead Executive Office
- Disease Prevention and Control Lead Executive Office

Ministry of Health



Yours faithfully,


Aster Tsegaye Abebe (Professor)
Policy, Strategy & Research
Lead Executive Officer