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MINISTRY OF PUBLIC HEALTH
GENERAL DIRECTORATE FOR PREVENTION AND
HEALTH PROMOTION
OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR GENERAL

**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 56 – 60 Avenue de
la Toison d'Or 1060 Brussels., Belgium**

Bissau, August 22nd, 2025.

Ref.n° 106/GDGPPS/MINSAP/ 2025

Subject: Letter of endorsement

Dear Sir/Madam,

On behalf of the Ministry of Health, Avenida Unidade Africana n° 26 CP-50 DGPPS MINSAP, 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 to become a contributing partner to the Global Health EDCTP3 Joint Undertaking (Global Health EDCTP3 JU).

We estimate the total value of this contribution to be **Two hundred forty-nine thousand eight hundred seventy-five euros (249,875 EUR)** over the 60-month duration of the E-STAR project. This contribution is entirely provided as in-kind support, equivalent to approximately **EUR 4,164,58** per month, through the Ministry's commitment of national infrastructure, staff time, and technical resources.

The in-kind contribution consists of availing 16 regional health facilities distributed across Uganda for the conduct of malaria resistance surveillance, adaptive clinical trials, and diagnostic validation. Specifically, the Ministry will provide access to laboratories, clinical units, storage facilities, sample transport systems, and IT infrastructure; basic equipment and consumables necessary for diagnostics and sample processing; and the use of established standard operating procedures (SOPs) and regulatory frameworks. In addition, the Ministry will contribute human resources through the deployment of

clinical, laboratory, and NMCD technical staff, ensuring compliance with Good Clinical Practice and integration into national health systems.

This contribution can be estimated on an annual basis at approximately EUR 20,000 per year, covering staff time, laboratory and facility overheads, infrastructure maintenance, and administrative oversight. The contribution is spread across all project components, with direct relevance to molecular surveillance, adaptive clinical trials, POC 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 Uganda.

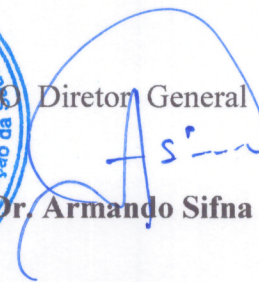
We confirm the following:

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. 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.

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. 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 sincerely,

 
Diretor General
Dr. Armando Sifna