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Nanoro, August 22nd 2025

Attention to: the Chair of the Global Health EDCTP3 Joint Undertaking Governing Board
c/o the Global Health EDCTP3 Joint Undertaking Executive Director
Global Health EDCTP3 Joint Undertaking
56 – 60 Avenue de la Toison d'Or 1060, Brussels, Belgium

Subject: Letter of endorsement for the SINCEP-Africa application

Dear Sir/Madam,

On behalf of Institut de Recherche en Science de la Sante, Clinical Research Unit of Nanoro (IRSS/CRUN), 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).

IRSS/CRUN is a public health research institution with an important track record of research and clinical trials including more than fifteen EDCTP funded projects. The research portfolio is aligned with the national and global priorities, with the main objectives to promote excellence in research and training of health professional. IRSS/CRUN has contributed to inform important health decision making, such as the recent global recognition of the two malaria vaccines currently being deployed by malaria endemic countries. Many of its research programs contribute to the training of young scientists and health professionals.

In the Global Health EDCTP3 Joint U, IRSS/CRUN will contribute by sharing its experience in setting up a research platform fully compliant with international standards, including a medical laboratory and also with its health and demographic surveillance system (>75,000 inhabitants covered) and its research sites based in Nanoro and Sigle. IRSS/CRUN is a full member of the INDEPTH Network since 2011.

Within the SINCEP-AFRICA, IRSS/CRUN will support the INDEPTH Network by co-leading WP1 on Scientific leadership, partnership and networking and also lead WP2

which will consist of assessing research site and supporting their upgrade activities to meet international standards. IRSS/CRUN will also contribute to all other work packages.

We estimate the total value in kind and financial contributions of the IRSS-CRUN and at 500,000 Euros. This include the staff currently supporting the activities of the HDSS and who will contribute in the programme, and the IT and Laboratory infrastructures.

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,



Pr Halidou Tinto
Director IRSS/CRUN