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Aug 27, 2025

Letter of endorsement

Dear Dr Gädeke and Dr Makanga,

On behalf of The Bandim Health Project (BHP), Apartado 861, 1004 Bissau codex, Guinea-Bissau, CVR number 46837428 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). Our contribution relates to the call for proposals by EDCTP3 - [HORIZON-JU-GH-EDCTP3-2025-01-two-stage](#) - Global collaboration action for the development of vaccines for reducing the disease burden of Tuberculosis in sub-Saharan Africa.

BHP is committed to Global Health research and research capacity building, and has for the past 47 years conducted ground-breaking epidemiological research in Guinea-Bissau and supplied research education for local researcher, and will continue to do so through the current project aiming to reduce TB burden in Africa.

The contribution to Global Health EDCTP3 JU will be through the involvement of Professor Peter Aaby, who will support the lab capacity building in Bissau and advise on the TB epidemiology study. This will be IKOP, for the entire duration of the project until 2030 and the potential added value will be to be able to deliver on the milestones for the Bandim Health Project, additionally to be able to support global collaborative research and capacity strengthening.

The work delivered will primarily be in WP4 through on-site supervision and advice the the Guinean WP leader Baltazar Cá which will help BHP to generate epidemiological evidence to inform future efficacy trials, and further strengthen North-South and South-South collaboration to build clinical trial and laboratory capacity.

We estimate the total value of this contribution to be 16 months of salary, ie. EUR 164,027 as in-kind contribution.

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,

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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,

Date Aug 28, 2025

Peter Aaby, Prof. Dr med
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