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Letter of endorsement

Dear Sir/Madam,

On behalf of Amsterdam Institute for Global Health and Development (AIGHD), 25 Paasheuvelweg, 1105 BP Amsterdam 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 Amsterdam Institute for Global Health and Development (AIGHD), established in 2009, is a not-for-profit foundation. As a joint institute of the University of Amsterdam (UvA) and Vrije University (VU) - affiliated to the Amsterdam University Medical Centre - AIGHD addresses inequities in health worldwide by conducting cross-disciplinary, socially impactful, and innovative research in equitable partnerships. With expertise spanning infectious disease modeling, health economics, implementation science, and clinical research, AIGHD drives innovation at the intersection of science and policy. This mission aligns strongly with the Global Health EDCTP3 JU objectives of strengthening research capacity, advancing equitable access to innovation, and enhancing Africa's preparedness for epidemic and pandemic threats. As a core partner in the EPIDEMIC Fellowship Programme, AIGHD contributes scientific leadership in integrated mathematical modeling, mentorship, and cross-institutional training, ensuring that fellows gain the skills to address complex health challenges. Our strategic vision emphasizes equitable partnerships, interdisciplinary collaboration, and open science principles to advance sustainable solutions in global health.

Contribution to Global Health EDCTP3 JU

AIGHD's contribution will be provided in-kind and directly supports the objectives of Global Health EDCTP3 JU by advancing high-quality, practice-based training and research for a new generation of African public health leaders. Specifically, AIGHD will serve as the lead developer and implementer of infectious disease modelling training for the fellows.

This includes:

- **Lead WP10:** practice-based learning: practical application of epidemiology and infectious disease modelling
- **Contribute to mentorship in year two as part of WP12:** Field research: South Africa, Zambia and Ghana.

Scope, Relevance, and Added Value

Our participation ensures:

- **Scientific Excellence:** leveraging AIGHD's expertise in integrated mathematical modeling of infectious diseases, including advanced approaches that incorporate resource constraints.

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- **Capacity Building:** training and empowering 10 fellows per cycle in applied mathematical modeling of infectious diseases, equipping them with skills directly relevant to real-world public health challenges

Financial Commitment

We estimate the total in-kind contribution to be EUR 110,055 over 24 months, including EUR 88,070 for WP10, and EUR 36,685 for WP12, which will cover:

- Personnel (Year 1: EUR 73,370; Year 2: EUR 36,685)
- Travel (Year 1: EUR 14,700)

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,

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