

**GOVERNING BOARD OF  
THE GLOBAL HEALTH EDCTP3 JOINT UNDERTAKING  
DECISION N° GB/03/2025**

**Adopting the first modified version of the  
Work Programme for the year 2025**

THE GOVERNING BOARD OF THE GLOBAL HEALTH EDCTP3 JOINT UNDERTAKING (hereafter "Global Health EDCTP3"),

Having regard to Council Regulation (EU) No 2021/2085 of 19 November 2021 establishing the Joint Undertakings under Horizon Europe and repealing Regulations (EC) No 219/2007, (EU) No 557/2014, (EU) No 558/2014, (EU) No 559/2014, (EU) No 560/2014, (EU) No 561/2014 and (EU) No 642/2014 (hereafter "the Founding Regulation"), in particular Articles 17(2)(f), (k) and (n), 19(4) (c) and 21(7)(a) thereof;

Having regard to Regulation (EU) 2021/695 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 28 April 2021 establishing Horizon Europe - the Framework Programme for Research and Innovation, laying down its rules for participation and dissemination, and repealing Regulations (EU) No 1290/2013 and (EU) No 1291/2013 (hereinafter "the Horizon Europe Regulation"),

Having regard to the Financial Rules of Global Health EDCTP3, and in particular Articles 6 and 33 thereof,

**WHEREAS:**

- (1) On 13 December 2024, the Governing Board adopted the Work Programme 2025 of Global Health EDCTP3 by decision GB/34/2024.
- (2) EUR 13.2 million were de-committed at the beginning of the year related to unused appropriations from 2023 calls.
- (3) The Coalition for Epidemic Preparedness Innovations (CEPI) has submitted letters of endorsement to the Governing Board on 20 January 2025 and on 5 February 2025.
- (4) The Governing Board has approved the applications by decisions GB/01/2025 and GB/02/2025.
- (5) CEPI plans to provide financial contributions to Global Health EDCTP3 JU, which are to be used under topics HORIZON-JU-GH-EDCTP3-2025-02-FELLOWSHIP-01-two-stage: Global Health EDCTP3 and contributing partners funded Strategic Training Hubs for Fellowships in Public Health covering Biostatistics, Epidemiology and Modelling and HORIZON-JU-GH-EDCTP3-2025-03-NETWORKS-01-two-stage Global collaboration action for strengthening the Regional Networks of Excellence and Epidemic Preparedness Consortia.
- (6) Through the EDCTP Association, the UK Medical Research Council (MRC) will contribute EUR 0.9 million and the UK Government Department of Health and Social Care (DHSC) will



contribute GBP 8.7 million

(≈ EUR 10.4 million, subject to confirmation of the exchange rate difference with the GBP).

- (7) The UK contribution channelled through the EDCTP Association is to be used under topics HORIZON-JU-GH-EDCTP3-2025-02-FELLOWSHIP-01-two-stage: Global Health EDCTP3 and contributing partners funded Strategic Training Hubs for Fellowships in Public Health covering Biostatistics, Epidemiology and Modelling, HORIZON-JU-GH-EDCTP3-2025-03-NETWORKS-01-two-stage: Global collaboration action for strengthening the Regional Networks of Excellence and Epidemic Preparedness Consortia, HORIZON-JU-GH-EDCTP3-2025-04-CH-01-two-stage: Tackling diarrhoeal diseases in the context of climate and health and HORIZON-JU-GH-EDCTP3-2025-04-ACCESS-02-two-stage: Transformative Innovations in global health.
- (8) The Corporate Management Board of the European Commission (note ARES(2024)9152446) decided at its December 2024 meeting that three more contract agent positions (FTE) are to be allocated to Global Health EDCTP3 from 2025 onwards.
- (9) Global Health EDCTP3 may benefit from the expertise of contributing partners in the assessment of projects' reports and deliverables.
- (10) Following advice from DG RTD CLSS, further justification on the role of the EDCTP Association as coordinator has been added in the two topics establishing this condition.

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

#### **Article 1**


The annex to decision GB/34/2024 (Annual Work Programme for the year 2025) is hereby replaced by Annex 2 to this decision (First modified version of the Work Programme for the year 2025). All substantial modifications to the Annual Work Programme for the year 2025 are described in Annex 1 to this decision (Explanatory note).

#### **Article 2**

This decision shall enter into force on the day of its adoption.

Done at Brussels, 7 March 2025.

*For the Global Health EDCTP3 Joint Undertaking Governing Board*



Henning Gädeke

*Chairperson of the Governing Board*

Annex:

1. Explanatory note.
2. First modified version of the Work Programme for the year 2025.