

Report to the Board 10-11 December 2014

SUBJECT: CONSENT AGENDA: VICE CHAIR NOMINATION

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Agenda item: 02b

Category: For Decision

Strategic goal: Alliance operations

Section A: Overview

1. Purpose of the report

- 1.1 This report reviews the process to nominate the Board Vice Chair.
- 1.2 The Governance Committee will meet on 9 December to review nominations received which are on the Consent Agenda for the Board meeting.

2. Recommendations

- 2.1 On 9 December, the Governance Committee will consider recommending to the Board that it:
 - a) <u>Appoint</u> Flavia Bustreo as Vice Chair of the Board with individual signatory authority effective 1 January 2015 and until 31 December 2016.

At the Board meeting, the minutes will note that Flavia Bustreo did not participate in discussion and voting on her appointment.

3. Executive summary

Process

3.1 On 9 September 2014, Geeta Rao Gupta sent an email to the Board Chair informing him that she would step down as Vice Chair effective 31 December 2014. The Chair notified the Board of Dr Rao Gupta's decision on 24 September and invited nominations for Dr Rao Gupta's successor to be submitted to him by 31 October.



- 3.2 In stepping down, Dr Rao Gupta took the opportunity to nominate Flavia Bustreo, a recommendation that was supported by several other Board members. No other nominations were received by the 31 October deadline.
- 3.3 The Chair recommended to the Governance Committee that it take up Dr Bustreo's nomination during its meeting on 9 December so that the Board could take a decision during its meeting the following day.

Additional duties

3.4 In addition to her duties as Board Vice Chair, Dr Bustreo would automatically become Governance Committee Chair under section 2.6.4 of the By-Laws and Executive Committee Vice Chair under section 3.1.5 of the By-Laws.

4. Risk implication and mitigation

- 4.1 The Vice Chair is one of Gavi's key leadership positions and should not go unfilled. This appointment assures continuity of leadership.
- 5. Financial implications: Business plan and budget
- 5.1 There are no financial implications.

Section B: Implications

- 6. Impact on countries
- 6.1 There is no programmatic impact on GAVI-eligible countries.
- 7. Impact on GAVI stakeholders
- 7.1 There is no impact on stakeholders.
- 8. Impact on Secretariat
- 8.1 There is no impact on the Secretariat.
- 9. Legal and governance implications
- 9.1 There are no additional legal or governance implications.
- 10. Consultation
- 10.1 Consultation is outlined in section 3.
- 11. Gender implications
- 11.1 There are no issues contained in this report that have gender equality implications.



Section C: Biography

12. Flavia Bustreo's biography

- 12.1 Dr Flavia Bustreo was appointed Assistant Director-General for Family, Women's and Children's Health on 1 October 2010. At WHO, she served as Deputy Director and then Director of The Partnership for Maternal, Newborn & Child Health from 2006 to 2010. In 2004-2005, she served as Interim Deputy Director of the Child Survival Partnership.
- 12.2 Dr Bustreo's work has focused on policy development concerning child and maternal health, policy implementation and partnership-building with a wide range of stakeholders. In 2010, she led the development of the United Nations Global Strategy for Women's and Children's Health. In 2008, she contributed to the High Level Taskforce on International Innovative Financing for Health Systems and in 2005, to the UN Taskforce on Millennium Development Goals (MDGs) 4 & 5 to reduce maternal and child mortality.
- 12.3 Dr Bustreo has worked in several countries, including assignments for WHO country and regional offices in Bangladesh, Brazil, China, Egypt, India, Morocco, Peru, the Philippines, Senegal, Sudan and Uganda. She has also served at WHO's EURO office in Copenhagen, headquarters in Geneva, at the World Bank and as a special advisor to the Norwegian Prime Minister's Initiative for MDGs 4 & 5. She has published numerous academic and popular articles in the field of public health, women's and children's health.
- 12.4 Dr Bustreo earned a degree in medicine with honours and a postgraduate qualification in rehabilitation medicine from Padua University, Italy, and later obtained a M.Sc. in Communicable Disease Epidemiology from the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine. She has worked as a clinician with children and adolescents with disabilities, and with NGOs working with refugees in the former Yugoslavia and Iraq. Dr Bustreo speaks English, French, Spanish, Portuguese and Italian and has studied Russian and Arabic.