

Review of decisions

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Decision 1: Board and Committee member appointments (1/4)

The GAVI Alliance Board:

- **Appointed** the following member to the Audit and Finance Committee effective immediately and until the committees are refreshed for the 2013 year:
 - **Yifei Li**

Decision 1: Board and Committee member appointments (2/4)

- **Appointed** the following members to the Programme and Policy Committee effective immediately and until the committees are refreshed for the 2013 year:
 - **Clarisse Loe Loumou** as a member in the seat currently occupied by Joan Awunyo-Akaba;
 - **Magid Al-Gunaid**; and
 - **Jos Vandelaer** as a member in the seat currently occupied by Mickey Chopra.

Decision 1: Board and Committee member appointments (3/4)

- **Appointed** the following member to the Governance Committee effective immediately and until the committees are refreshed for the 2013 year:
 - **Maria C. Freire**

Decision 1: Board and Committee member appointments (4/4)

- **(Re)appointed** the following members to the Evaluation Advisory Committee effective immediately:
 - **Angela Santoni** until the earlier of the end of her Board term or 31 July 2015; and
 - **Bernhard Schwartlander** until 31 July 2015.

Decision 2: Ethics and Revised Conflict of Interest Policies

The GAVI Alliance Board:

- **Approved** the GAVI Alliance Ethics Policy attached to Doc 01g; and
- **Approved** the Revised GAVI Alliance Conflict of Interest Policy attached to Doc 01g.

Decision 3: Revised Evaluation Policy

The GAVI Alliance Board:

- **Approved** the Revised GAVI Alliance Evaluation Policy attached as Annex 1 to Doc 01h.

Decision 4: Revised Programme Funding Policy

The GAVI Alliance Board:

- **Approved** the revised GAVI Programme Funding Policy attached as Appendix A to the report on the Amendment to the Programme Funding Policy, Doc 06.

Decision 5: Business planning process and risk management update

The GAVI Alliance Board:

- **Endorsed** the strategic priorities for the 2013-2014 business plan; and
- **Requested** the Secretariat and partners to take these priorities into account when preparing the business plan deliverables and budgets for 2013-2014.

Decision 6: Amendments to Statutes and By-Laws (1/3)

The GAVI Alliance Board:

- **Amended** By-Laws Article 3.1.1, clause 3 as follows:
 - *Up to eight additional Board Members (or Alternate Board Members), who shall each be a voting member of the Executive Committee*

Decision 6: Amendments to Statutes and By-Laws (2/3)

- **Amended** By-Laws Article 3.1.2 in its entirety as follows:
 - *The composition of the eight additional Board Members shall be as follows:*
 - WHO, UNICEF, and the World Bank: Two seats
 - Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation: One seat
 - Developing country governments: One seat
 - Donor country governments: One seat
 - Unaffiliated Board Members: Three seats

Decision 6: Amendments to Statutes and By-Laws (3/3)

- **Amended** Article 3 of the Executive Committee Charter to include the following bullet point:
 - *Approve market and/or commercially-sensitive decisions as part of the implementation of the supply and procurement strategy.*

Decision 7: Options for enhancing GAVI's investment in measles prevention (1/2)

The GAVI Alliance Board:

- **Requested** the Secretariat to put in place the necessary arrangements in accordance with Annex 2, Option 2 of Doc 12, for six large countries at high risk of measles outbreaks (Afghanistan, Chad, DR Congo, Ethiopia, Nigeria, and Pakistan) to be able to receive GAVI support for measles vaccines and operational costs until these countries are forecasted to have implemented a measles-rubella (MR) campaign, or by no later than 2017. This support would be provided in collaboration with the Measles & Rubella Initiative (MR Initiative, formerly the Measles Initiative).

Decision 7: Options for enhancing GAVI's investment in measles prevention (2/2)

- **Approved** US\$ 55 million to be made available to the MR Initiative through the UN Foundation for use through 2017 for outbreaks and other emerging needs requiring rapid responses, using the mechanism described in Annex 2, Option 1 of Doc 12.
- **Requested** the Secretariat - given the importance of measles as an indication of country support for routine immunisation – to develop an indicator for measles first dose routine vaccine coverage as part of the achievement of GAVI's 2011-2015 Strategy for review by the Evaluation Advisory Committee.

Decision 8: Vaccine introduction grants and operational support for campaigns

The GAVI Alliance Board:

- **Approved** the GAVI vaccine introduction grant and operational support for campaigns policy (the “Policy”), as described in Annex 1 of Doc 13;
- **Requested** the Secretariat to make the necessary arrangements to ensure that vaccine introductions and campaigns occurring on or after 1 September 2012 benefit from the Policy regardless of when the country proposal was approved.

Decision 9: Continued funding for special studies

The GAVI Alliance Board:

- **Approved** an amount of up to US\$ 9.3 million for AVI-TAC to continue two urgent pneumococcal studies and conduct two urgent rotavirus studies over a three year period, through 2015; and
- **Approved**, subject to the Secretariat receiving satisfactory peer review reports, an amount of US\$ 1.8 million for AVI-TAC to conduct a study to monitor the impact of the SAGE recommendation on widening age restrictions related to rotavirus vaccine delivery.

Decision 10: GAVI support to Civil Society Organisations (1/2)

The GAVI Alliance Board:

- **Decided** that Government remains the default approach but direct funding for CSO activities can be requested as part of a country Health Systems Funding Platform (HSFP) application (Option 3).

While provision of funds to CSOs through the HSFP is the recommended option, it should not limit GAVI's flexibility to engage CSOs directly where rare and exceptional circumstances require different approaches. Approaches should be developed in response to country-specific analysis.

Decision 10: GAVI support to Civil Society Organisations (2/2)

- **Requested** the Secretariat to prepare an implementation framework recognising an increased risk in procurement and financial management and potential resource implications for the Secretariat and which draws on the findings of the evaluation of GAVI support to CSOs and presents why and how GAVI works with and supports CSOs.

Decision 11: IFFIm/GFA restructuring

The GAVI Alliance Board:

- **Approved** GAVI entering into any new grant agreements with the IFFIm donors once the Finance Framework Agreement is amended to remove the GFA from the IFFIm structure; and
- **Approved** the immediate assignment to the IFFIm Company of any new grant agreements entered into between GAVI and the IFFIm donors.



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Back-up slide to Decision 6: Amendments to Statutes and By-Laws (3/3)

- The Governance Committee recommended, as a principle, that after the conclusion of 2012, Board Committees shall be composed of Board members or alternate Board members. However, Board members may submit for nomination and appointment someone to serve as the Board member's delegate on any Board Committee, except the Executive Committee, Governance Committee, Investment Committee, and Audit and Finance Committee.