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# **Regional Project Board Meeting**

Outcome 2: "Supporting voice for citizens, development, the rule of law and accountability in governance systems in Europe and the CIS HIV, Health and Development-related activities – outputs 2 and 3

TRAC/Turkish Budget – 237,000.00 USD Expected Delivery – 237,000.00 USD (100%) Russian Govt Budget – 23,500.00 USD Expected Delivery – 23,160.00 USD (99%) Skoll Foundation Budget – 150,000 USD Expected Delivery – 150,000.00 USD (100%)

**TOTAL BUDGET:** USD 410,500.00 **Expected Delivery:** USD 411,063.00 (100%)

HIV, Health and Development Team Istanbul Regional Hub

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### Service lines and expertise



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#### Provision of advisory services to Country Offices;

Development of Knowledge Products (KPs): guidance, regional analysis, technical and analytical papers, web portals;

**Key service delivery mechanisms:** 

Implementation of Global/Regional programmes/ initiatives; Support to resource mobilization endeavors of COs and IRH;

### Governance and rule of law (HIV, Health and Development)



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# Output 2: Capacities of human rights systems/institutions strengthened

Activity Result 2.2. NHRI capacities to promote and protect human rights at the national level strengthened

 Fostering access of PLHIV and key populations to quality gender- and age-sensitive legal aid services, including through support to the Regional HIV Legal Network and its country members; Activity Result 2.2. NHRI capacities to promote and protect human rights at the national level strengthened

### Report 2016 and Plan 2017

2016 key results		2017 key plans
Targets	Activities	
2.2. At least 1 country supported in developing/strengthening relevant legal aid and/or policy frameworks and services and the same number on SGBV;	<ul> <li>Supported institutionalization of collaboration between the Eurasian Women's AIDS Network and Regional Legal Aid Network for provision of legal services for women and girls living with HIV as part of network's strategic plan.</li> <li>Expanded the network membership to include 4 new organizations from Azerbaijan, Kyrgyzstan, Moldova and Russia. The Network currently serves as an umbrella organisation to 33 NGOs active in 9 countries.</li> <li>Supported the development of training module for Ukraine on HIV, the law and human rights for law enforcement representatives within the context of the Rule of Law project (2 days training in Kyiv).</li> <li>Through online application support for legal services facility on the network's website, received 65 requests (from 31 men and 34 women) representing a 59% increase from 2015.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Further strengthen linkages and collaboration of the Regional Legal Aid Network with other regional networks (ECOM, EHRN, SWAN, and EWNA) and ensure the enhanced integration of activities into joint plans, programmes and projects;</li> <li>Support implementation of fundraising plan for the Regional Legal Aid Network (potential Regional GF project);</li> <li>Increase the geographical and thematic scope of the Regional Legal Aid Network to include national level associations in at least 2 more countries;</li> <li>Roll out of training modules/materials and curriculum on HIV, human rights and legal service provision for police representatives in at-least 2 countries;</li> </ul>
	Expected Delivery: 100%	Budget: 10,000.00 USD



Output 3: National institutions, capacities and policies strengthened for equitable, accountable and effective delivery of HIV and health-related services;

Activity Result 3.1. Key populations most at risk of HIV empowered to access quality HIV-related services in prevention, treatment, care and support;

- Flagship Knowledge Publications (KPs) developed;
- Policy advise and support on intellectual property and access to essential medicines, including ARVs and medicines for co-infections
- Support to COs on health sector procurement



Activity Result 3.1. Key populations most at risk of HIV empowered to access quality HIV services in prevention, treatment, care and support (continued);

- **Consultations and work** on access to essential medicines and IP;
- Capacity building of Regional Network Organizations working on HIV-related activities for key populations at risk of HIV;
- Advisory support to COs on gender equality principles, addressing GBV and HIV.

**Activity Result 3.1.** Key populations most at risk of HIV empowered to access quality HIV-related services in prevention, treatment, care and support;

### Report 2016 and Plan 2017

2016 key results		2017 key plans
Targets	Activities	
	<ul> <li>Improved access to essential medicines through policy advise on IP and TRIPs flexibilities (Ukraine);</li> <li>Supported UNDP CO in Ukraine with procurement of medicines and reform of mechanism by contributing to joint UN assessment mission (UNDP, UNICEF, WHO) to develop key recommendations for reform and joint proposal;</li> <li>Supported UNDP Ukraine with signing next cost-sharing agreement with the MoH for emergency procurement of medicines programme financed from 2016 national budget (in the amount of USD 47.7 million).</li> <li>Support to the virtual network between relevant regional networks working on HIV, specifically the Eurasian Women's Network on AIDS - EWNA), the Regional HIV Legal Network and others through virtual communication.</li> <li>Supported strategic planning meeting of EWNA co- organized with UN Women, UNFPA &amp; UNAIDS – 9-11 July, Tbilisi, Georgia.</li> <li>MOU on collaboration signed between EWNA/NGO Positive Women of Ukraine with the Regional HIV Legal Network;</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Provide leadership in policy advisory and technical assistance on IP and access to essential medicines, including ARVs and medicines for co-infections and support to COs on Sustainable Procurement in the Health Sector (Belarus and Ukraine);</li> <li>Provide Policy and Technical support to selected countries in the region on gender sensitive, legal, regulatory and enabling environments for key populations at higher risk of HIV and TB (including reviews of laws, policies, strategies and actions, HIV and TB Legal Environment Assessments – dependent on mobilizing additional resources;</li> <li>Expand BLEE project in at least 3-4 additional countries (Georgia, Kosovo – as per UNSCR 1244, Moldova, Ukraine) – dependent on mobilizing additional resources;</li> <li>Support the establishment of a virtual network for the coordination and collaboration between Eurasian Women's Network on AIDS (EWNA) with other regional networks to integrate civil society in the SDGs nationalization process;</li> </ul>



Activity Result 3.2. Countries implementing Global Fund grants <sup>\*\*\*</sup> and programmes supported on sustainable financing, including on patents, licensing, registration and procurement regulations.

- Policy advice and technical assistance on sustainable financing of national HIV responses and supporting COs with GF grants and ensuring access to medicines;
- Use of flagship reports and other KPs (presentations, policy briefs) on sustainable financing of HIV responses;

Activity Result 3.2. Countries implementing Global Fund grants and programmes supported on sustainable financing, including on patents, licensing, registration and procurement regulations.

### Report 2016 and Plan 2017

2016 key results		2017 key plans
Targets	Activities	
3.2. At least 2 countries increased domestic funding for national HIV response	<ul> <li>Supported BiH with development of transition plan and based on CO and government request facilitated technical workshop for CCM on sustainable financing of HIV response.</li> <li>Provided technical inputs to follow-up training requested by the government on sustainable financing of HIV response for the CCM in Montenegro.</li> <li>Co-organized with UNAIDS, GF, WB the stock taking meeting on the implementation of the Investment Approach in EECA – development of country action plans.</li> <li>Provided technical support to both Uzbekistan and Tajikistan with operationalization of the findings of comprehensive analysis on modelling an investment approach for their HIV responses.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Nurturing collaboration with Stop TB Partnership to strengthen linkages between HIV and TB national policies and strategies;</li> <li>Provide policy and technical assistance to 2-3 COs to implement key recommendations from the High-Level Panel Report on Access to Medicines and HIV/TB investment reports and on sustainable financing (Belarus, Kyrgyzstan, Uzbekistan, Tajikistan, Ukraine);</li> </ul>

Activity Result 3.2. Countries implementing Global Fund grants and programmes supported on sustainable financing, including on patents, licensing, registration and procurement regulations (continued).

#### 2016 key results 2017 key plans **Activities** Targets - Technical inputs at high-level consultation on - Support countries to update and implement 3.2. At least 2 countries increased domestic funding for Expanding Access to Affordable and Quality Assured recommendations/findings of the NGO social national HIV response; ARVs and Anti-tuberculosis medicines (2 November contracting factsheets in 2-3 countries - for 2016, Minsk, Belarus) organized by the GF, UNAIDS and leveraging further funding as GF transitions out the Ministry of Health of Belarus. of countries; - Finalized and disseminated Russian versions of NGO social contracting Factsheets for Belarus, Kyrgyzstan, Moldova, Tajikistan, Ukraine, Uzbekistan. - Supported COs and governments of Belarus and Tajikistan with the practical implementation of recommendations from NGO Social Contracting Factsheets specifically with the development of roadmaps for implementation of jointly prioritized interventions by civil society, government and partners

### Report 2016 and Plan 2017 (continued)

Expected Delivery: TRAC (93%) / RUS (99%)

Budget: 5,500.00 USD / 19,000.00 USD



Activity Result 3.3. Responses to health and development aspectives. of Non-Communicable Diseases (NCDs) supported at regional and country levels.

- Policy advice/technical assistance on the health and development aspects of Non-Communicable Diseases and SEEDS of health under the division of labour of the UN Interagency Task Force;
- Further development of the mandate and division of labour of the Task Force and identifying regional priorities and programmatic opportunities;
- Technical support on integration of NCDs (including FCTC) in UNDAF and Country Programme Documents (CPDs).

Activity Result 3.3. Responses to health and development aspects of non-communicable diseases (NCDs) supported at regional and country levels.

Report 2016 and Plan 2017			
2016 key results		2017 key plans	
Targets	Activities		
3.3. At least 4 countries ensuring a multi-sectoral approach to addressing NCDs in their CCA- UNDAFs;	<ul> <li>Provided policy advice to COs on health and development aspects of NCDs under the UN division of responsibilities/tasks on NCDs and SEEDs of health (Belarus, Kyrgyzstan, Turkey and Turkmenistan);</li> <li>Actively engaged in newly established Issue-Based Coalition on Health – participated in first meeting November 2016;</li> <li>Supported UNCTs in Kyrgyzstan, Moldova and Ukraine with the integration of health and health equity issues in their new CCA-UNDAF development processes.</li> <li>Provided technical support to COs in the context of the joint UN Interagency NCDs assessment missions to Bishkek, Kyrgyzstan (March 2016) and Ankara, Turkey (April 2016).</li> <li>Development of NCD Investment Cases for Belarus and Kyrgyzstan.</li> <li>Finalized Belarus country report piloting the multi-sectoral NCDs legal checklist and updated checklist framework using lessons learnt from pilot process.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Provide ongoing policy and TA support to control NCDs at regional and country levels under the division of labour of the UN Interagency Task Force on NCDs and SEEDS in line with the newly establish Issue- Based Coalition on Health (Belarus – BELMED, Kyrgyzstan, Turkey, Ukraine);</li> <li>Provide technical support to ensure that NCDs, FCTC and health equity are integrated into CCA-UNDAFs, CPDs and NDPs (Kyrgyzstan, Moldova, Ukraine);</li> <li>Conduct NCD Investment Case missions/initiatives in at least 1-2 countries in EECA, including Institutional Context Analysis (ICA) exercise (jointly with WHO);</li> <li>Conduct legal assessments on the implementation of the Framework Convention on Tobacco Control (FCTC) in at least 1 selected country;</li> <li>Roll out of legal checklist for NCDs assessments in at least 1 additional country based on lessons learnt from testing in Belarus;</li> </ul>	

#### **Expected Delivery: 100%**

Budget: 34,800.00 USD



Activity Result 3.4. National partners supported to address health inequalities and development aspects of the Social, Economic and Environmental Determinants (SEEDs) of health.

- Rollout of PHASE II country pilot in Belarus on addressing the Social Economic and Environmental Determinants of Health (SEEDs);

- Technical support, policy advice and referrals on SEEDS and development.

Activity Result 3.4. National partners supported to address health inequalities and development aspects of the social, economic and environmental determinants of health.

Report 2016 and Plan 2017		
	2016 key results	2017 key plans
Targets	Activities	
3.4. At least 1 country engaged in SEEDS	<ul> <li>In collaboration with UCL developed easy-to-use draft screening tool enabling UNDP project managers to identify SEEDs of health and dimensions of inequity in their projects.</li> <li>Implemented the tool performing screenings for 10 UNDP Belarus projects comprising of 8 E&amp;E and 2 HHD projects.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Update/finalize the SEEDs Identifier (based on further evaluation report of the screening tool using the gold standard methodology, agreed M&amp;E indicators for monitoring the modifying effects on SEEDs of health and health equity);</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Finalized flagship KPs - SEEDs Identifier; Evaluation Report from screening selected UNDP Belarus projects, Factsheet for Belarus with screening results, Guidance Note Part A for use of SEEDs Identifier.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Roll out of SEEDs Identifier in 1-2 additional countries in the region (Kazakhstan, Kosovo, Kyrgyzstan and Turkey);</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Organized a SEEDs Green bag lunch at the UNDP IRH (Nov 2016) shared results and outlined next steps for the last year of the project.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Conduct SEEDs pilot semi-annual monitoring review meetings and end of project review;</li> <li>Develop flagship knowledge products (Part B of Guidance note for SEEDs Identifier, Fact Sheets with</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Prepared a paper "Beyond Sectors: New Methods for Including Health in the Sustainable Development Goals" for distribution at 66th session of the WHO Regional Committee for Europe meeting.</li> </ul>	findings of SEEDs Identifier exercise in 1-2 countries); - Integrate findings and recommendations of the HIV,
	- Developed and finalized Chapter on HIV, Health and Inequalities for the RHDR on Inequalities.	Health and inequalities chapter of the RHDR on Inequalities and Regional Dialogue on Inequalities into national level programming (in the context of the SDGs and Issue-Based Coalition on Health);
	Expected Delivery: 103%	Tentative budget: 65,710.00 USD



Activity Result 3.6 – Improved Sustainable Procurement in the Health Sector (SPHS) through the development of an inclusive supplier and manufacturer engagement strategy and platform

- Strategic engagement and collaboration with global health aid funding agencies;

- **Develop a platform** for strengthened engagement with global suppliers and manufactures;

- Technical support on sustainable procurement in the health sector with integration of environmental safeguarding policies.

Activity Result 3.6 – Improved sustainable procurement in the health sector through the development of an inclusive supplier and manufacturer engagement strategy and platform. Report 2016 and Plan 2017

2016 key results		2017 key plans
Targets	Activities	
3.6 At least 10 more cases of success stories on sustainable solutions in the health sector uploaded on the global online engagement platform	<ul> <li>Finalized online engagement platform of the informal task team on sustainable procurement in the health sector.</li> <li>Finalized flagship publication on Green Procurement Health Index.</li> <li>Organized flagship meeting fostering sustainable health procurement focused on sharing good practices in the global health sector.</li> <li>Finalized flagship publication on Health Care Procurement and the Compliance with International Environmental Conventions on Chemicals guide for procurement practitioners.</li> <li>Launched Engagement strategy and with WHO signed statement of Engagement with Suppliers and manufacturers to promote environmentally and socially responsible procurement of health commodities.</li> <li>Jointly with UNEP, introduced concepts/principles of Sustainable Public Procurement and conducted capacity building training for policy makers and public procurers operating in the health sector in Ukraine (Oct 2016).</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Coordinate and facilitate activities of the UN SPHS informal Inter Agency Task Team;</li> <li>Develop flagship publications and KPs;</li> <li>Conduct Health Care Waste Management ToT with participants from 4 regions (EECA, Asia, Africa, Caribbean) dependent of resource mobilization;</li> <li>Conduct Asia Forum 2017 - dependent on mobilizing additional resources;</li> <li>Demand driven trainings for procurers on sustainable procurement in the health sector in collaboration with Operations Units and other UN agencies;</li> <li>Maintain SPHS platform with high-level engagement from key stakeholders;</li> <li>Fundraising for SPHS (including with key partners such as Healthcare Without Harm and others);</li> </ul>
	Expected Delivery: 100%	Budget: 43,810 USD

# Knowledge Products



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### Challenges, Risks, Opportunities and Lessons learnt

- HHD programme continues to require a continued amount of interagency (with lead partners UNAIDS and WHO);
- Low ARV coverage in countries of the region with strong demand for support with ensuring access and utilization of TRIPS flexibilities;
- Trend to further marginalization, discrimination and criminalization of key populations at high risk for HIV particularly in CA and Russia; opportunities for improvements in other countries;
- Increasing demand from country offices for policy and strategy services around GF and sustainable financing of HIV response (transitioning to domestic funding), but continued low willingness to pay;
- Capacity building of Civil Society Organizations at regional and country level critical for EECA region;
- Strong innovation pipeline linked to UNDP's mandate and responsibilities, the post-2015 agenda and SDGs;
- With recent restructuring of the HHD team and relocation of teams from Arab States, HQ and Africa to IRH, stronger opportunities for strengthened cross-regional collaboration and with the UNDP Global Fund Partnership Team.



## **Partnership and Pipeline Initiatives**

- Scale up "Being LGBTI in the Eastern Europe covering Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, FYR Macedonia and Serbia USAID funded project;
- Supporting countries with Health Procurement/Health Systems Strengthening initiatives based on demand from governments (Turkmenistan, Ukraine and others);
- Legal Environment Assessments (LEAs) on HIV and TB (subject to additional resources from potential regional GF grant);
- Increased interest in Sustainable Procurement in the Health Sector (SPHS) and solar for health initiative (subject to additional resources/fundraising.



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