



5 November 2012

Dear Mr. Momita,

I am pleased to submit for review and consideration by the Government of Japan for funding from the Japan-UNDP Partnership Fund the project entitled “Consultation for Health Sector Development and for Private Sector Engagement.”

As in the attached document, the requested amount is US\$97, 435.

Thank you very much in advance for your favorable consideration.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Takeshi Kohno', is positioned below the text 'Yours sincerely,'.

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# United Nations Development Programme

<b>Project Title</b>	Consultation for Health Sector Development and for Private Sector Engagement
<b>Strategic Plan Goal</b>	Goal 1: Achieving the MDGs and reducing human poverty
<b>Global Programme Output</b>	Output 2 of UNDP Global Programme: Support for the engagement and participation of programmes in the intergovernmental process and debates on accelerating progress towards achieving MDGs, specifically on Goal 8. E.
<b>Outcome(s):</b>	<p>Outcome 1: UNDP builds and leads a strategic private sector coalition through consultations with the Government of Japan, academics, and other stakeholders.</p> <p>Outcome 2: UNDP successfully contributes to providing access to affordable essential drugs in developing countries through coordinated alliance with the Government of Japan, pharmaceuticals, private foundations, and R &amp; D institutions.</p>
<b>Expected Output(s):</b> <i>(Those that will result from the project)</i>	Detailed project design developed for this partnership
<b>Executing Entity:</b>	United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)
<b>Implementing Agencies<sup>1</sup>:</b>	UNDP Bureau of External Relations and Advocacy

<p>Programme Period: 2012-2013</p> <p>Key Result Area (Strategic Plan): Poverty eradication and achievement of internationally agreed goals, including the MDGs</p> <p>Atlas Award ID: Project number:</p> <p>Start date: 09 November 2012 End Date 15 March 2013</p> <p>Focal Point Takeshi Kohno, RPC, BERA Management Arrangements DEX</p>	<p>Total resources required (USD):</p> <p>\$ 97,435</p>
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## I. CONTEXT AND RATIONALE FOR ACTION:

In mid-August 2012, Ministry of Foreign Affairs approached UNDP to seek advice if UNDP could collaborate in their plan of establishment of currently called “Global Health Innovative Technology Fund (G-HIT).” The Gates Foundation and Japanese pharmaceutical companies have committed to collaborate in the plan and are preparing to pledge their annual contributions of JPY 700 million (approx. USD8.9 million) each to G-HIT, provided that the Government of Japan (Ministry of Health, Labor and Welfare (MHLW) and MoFA) will provide matching funds. G-HIT plans to provide funds to Japanese pharmaceutical companies and research institutes for their research and development of medicines for neglected tropical diseases, tuberculosis, malaria and other diseases.

G-HIT provides an opportunity for UNDP to address the “10/90” gap by promoting R & D for neglected tropical diseases TB, malaria and other diseases found in developing countries. G-HIT brings UNDP a potential to contribute to Goal 8. E of MDGs whose indicator is set as “proportion of population with access to affordable essential drugs on a sustainable basis” via cooperation with pharmaceutical companies. UNDP also welcomes the increased engagement of the Government of Japan and industry in public-private partnerships for product development (PDP) for neglected tropical diseases, TB, malaria and other diseases found in developing countries.

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## II. STRATEGY

The proposal will continue contributing to **two outcomes**:

- **Outcome 1:** UNDP builds and leads a strategic private sector coalition through a consultation with the Government of Japan, academics, and other stakeholders.
- **Outcome 2:** UNDP successfully contributes to providing access to affordable essential drugs in developing countries through coordinated alliance with the Government of Japan, pharmaceuticals, private foundation, and R & D institutions.

### Activities

- **Activity 1:** A detail project design is assessed, developed and proposed through examination of operational examples in similar projects, and synthesizing needs of all stakeholders.
- **Activity 2:** Provide technical and other inputs to support the Government of Japan and other stakeholders in formulating governing structure, roles of key stakeholders, and both operational and financial sustainability.

**Rationale for utilization of Japan-UNDP Partnership Fund:**

With this project, UNDP will be able to support the leadership of the Government of Japan in the achievement of MDGs (particularly MGD 8.E) by ensuring that public-private partnership is established and that access to affordable essential drugs for neglected tropical diseases in developing countries is created. It will also help UNDP to pioneer MDG goal 8 which shows slow achievement relative to other goals.

**Budget for funding requested:**

Activities	Items	US\$
1	1.1 Consultant (\$16,000 x 5 months)	
	1.2 Travels	
	1.2.1 New York to Tokyo (flight \$3,000 x 1 en route to Seoul, DSA \$421 x 5 days, Terminal \$202)	1.1 80,000 1.2.1 5,307
	1.2.2 New York to Geneva (flight \$2,000 x 1 time, DSA \$405 x 4 days, Terminal \$202)	1.2.2 3,822
	1.2.3 Washington D.C. (flight \$500 x 1 time, DSA \$363 x 3 days, Terminal \$202)	1.2.3 1,791
2	2.1 Consultation	
	2.1.1 Venue/mis.	2.1.1 \$1,000
	Total Above	\$ 91,920
	Administrative support fee (6% of above)	\$ 5,515
	Total	\$97,435