

Resolution n° 17-2020-e

Costed Extension of the Self-Testing AfRica (STAR) Initiative

Recalling Executive Board Resolution n° 3-2014-e, in which the Board approved the commitment of up to US\$ 23,660,935 for Phase 1 of the project entitled, "Stimulating and shaping the market for HIV self-testing in Africa: two-tier demonstration and evaluation of accuracy and linkage in 4 countries" (later referred to as the Self-Testing AfRica (STAR) Initiative) (the "**Project**") to be implemented by Population Services International (PSI) for a period of two years;

Recalling Resolution n° 8-2017-e in which the Board approved Phase 2 of the Project, to be implemented through two separate but related grants, each for a three-year period, as follows:

- 1. Grant to PSI for an amount of up to US\$ 29,475,975; and
- 2. Grant to Society for Family Health for an amount of up to US\$ 19,163,958;

Recalling Resolution n° 3-2020-e in which the Board approved the commitment of an additional amount of up to US\$ 15,000,000 for an 18-month extension of the grant to PSI for Phase 2 of the Project;

Taking into account the assessment by the PRC and the Secretariat's recommendations, the Board hereby authorizes, subject to the availability of funds, the Executive Director to commit an additional amount of up to US\$ 5,200,000 for the Project, within the existing grant duration.

The Board confirms that this additional amount may be disbursed (in full or in part) directly to third parties to support market interventions for the benefit of the Project. Any such direct payments to third parties shall be subject the conclusion of a legal agreement between Unitaid and the third party concerned, together with PSI's instruction to make the payments from the grant funding.

Funding is conditional upon signature of an amendment to the legal agreement between Unitaid and PSI.

Lead Organization: Population Services International

<u>Project Countries:</u> Cameroon, Eswatini, India, Indonesia, Lesotho, Malawi, Mozambique, Nigeria, South Africa, Tanzania, Uganda, Zambia and Zimbabwe.

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