



Resolution n° 13-2016-e

Accelerating access and integration of innovative point of care HIV technologies in national diagnostic programs – Phase 2b

Recalling UNITAID Board Resolution EB19/2013/R2, in which the Board approved funding of up to US\$ 35,000,000 to UNICEF and the Clinton Health Access Initiative (CHAI) to implement Phase 2a of the Project: *Accelerating access and integration of innovative point of care HIV technologies in national diagnostic programs* (“the Project”);

Recognising the achievements in Phase 2a of the Project and acknowledging the growing public health need for Viral Load testing for the effective monitoring of HIV treatment and Early Infant Diagnosis in ensuring timely access to treatment for children;

Acknowledging the commitment to increased quality HIV monitoring by international partners such as USAID/PEPFAR, The Global Fund, WHO and countries; and the need to complement their efforts by filling the information gaps and catalysing the market and delivery mechanisms for diagnostics in a range of settings; and

Cognizant of the investments made by UNITAID and other partners in HIV diagnostics and the need to ensure regular review of the Project Plan and Budget submitted by UNICEF and CHAI to ensure its complementarity to the resources and efforts being made;

The Board authorizes, subject to availability of funds, the Executive Director to:

- a. Conclude a legal agreement with UNICEF and CHAI for **Phase 2b of the Project: Accelerating access and integration of innovative point of care HIV technologies in national diagnostic programs**; and
- b. Commit up to **US\$ 94,354,457** for Phase 2b of the Project and initiate project fund disbursements to UNICEF and CHAI.

Funding is conditional upon signature of the legal agreement between UNITAID, UNICEF and CHAI.

Lead Organisation: CHAI

Principal Funding Recipient: UNICEF

Project Duration: 4 years (October 2016 – September 2020)

Celso Amorim
Chair of the UNITAID Executive Board

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