



### Resolution n°3-2014-e

## Stimulating and shaping the market for HIV self-testing in Africa: two-tier demonstration and evaluation of accuracy and linkage in 4 countries

Taking into account the outcome of the PRC review of 3-4 April 2014 and the responses to issues raised by the PRC for further clarification, together with the Board discussion during EB20, and the subsequent submission by the proponents of a revised proposal setting out a phased approach, the Board of UNITAID, subject to the availability of funds, authorizes the Executive Director to commit up to a total of **USD 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*". Subject to satisfactory performance during Phase 1, the Board will be requested to approve funding support for Phase 2 of the project.

**Description:** Population Services International, together with consortium partners, has submitted a 4-year project proposal, split into two phases of two years each, to significantly decrease the HIV testing gap. The proponents aim to stimulate the existing market for HIV self-testing with HIV oral fluid tests and facilitate market entry for additional quality-assured HIVST kits in four HIV high burden countries in Southern Africa (Malawi, South Africa, Zambia and Zimbabwe).

**Lead organization(s):** Population Services International (PSI)

**Consortium members:** London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine; Liverpool School of Tropical Medicine; University College London; World Health Organization

**Phase 1 amount:** USD 23 660 935

**Phase 1 project duration:** 2 years

**Conditions for UNITAID funding support:**

Funding is conditional upon:

- The development of a Project Plan to the satisfaction of the Secretariat, having regard to the issues raised by the PRC.
- Review and revision of the presentation of the budget to ensure that all proposed costs are appropriate and reasonable (including with respect to third-party recipients), to the satisfaction of the Secretariat.
- Signature of a legal agreement between PSI and UNITAID for Phase 1.
- Signature of a legal agreement between WHO and UNITAID as appropriate.

Funding for Phase 2 will be dependent on the submission to UNITAID by PSI of an updated project proposal within two years of project launch, for review by the PRC and a further decision by UNITAID's Executive Board.

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