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Resolution n° 7

Open Polyvalent Platforms for a sustainable access to quality and affordable Viral Load Testing in resource-limited settings

Recalling resolution UNITAID/EB/16/2012/R4 whereby the Board approved UNITAID support for Phase One of the project and taking into account the alignment of this project with UNITAID's strategic objective 1 on increasing access to simple, POC diagnostics for HIV/AIDS, together with the outcome of the PRC review of 11-12 November 2014;

The Board concurs with the PRC on the need to support the introduction of Viral Load Testing and scale-up in low demand contexts, where this consortium of partners is particularly well placed to offer support;

The Board of UNITAID, subject to the availability of funds, therefore authorizes the Executive Director to commit up to a further **USD 4.0m** for the project *Open Polyvalent Platforms (OPP) for a sustainable access to quality and affordable Viral Load Testing in resource-limited settings*.

Lead organization(s): *France Expertise Internationale (FEI)*

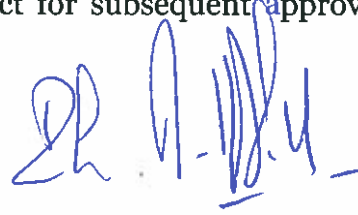
Duration: *up to 18 months from 1 January 2015*

Conditions for UNITAID funding support:

Condition No. 1: The development to the satisfaction of the Secretariat of an updated work plan and performance framework, taking into account and addressing the issues raised by the PRC and the Secretariat during their review.

Condition No. 2: The activities in the workplan, together with the agreed milestones and expected results, shall reflect the additional steps required to complete Phase 1 of the project. The workplan may include activities presented in the most recent 2014 proposal, to the extent that these can also be implemented within the approved budget ceiling and timeframe.

Subsequent multi-year funding of up to USD 12.8m for the full implementation of the project, as envisaged in the most recent 2014 proposal, is dependent on the Secretariat's analysis and evaluation of the Project for subsequent approval of the UNITAID Board.



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Chair of the UNITAID Executive Board