



# Stop TB Partnership

## SUMMARY SHEET

<b>Agenda Nr. 1.07-11.0</b>	<b>Subject</b>	<b>Community Engagement - Challenge Facility for Civil Society</b>	
<b>For Information</b>	<b>For Discussion</b> <input type="checkbox"/>	<b>For Decision X</b>	
<b>Rationale:</b>			
To inform Board members about progress with regard to Community Engagement and to outline the Challenge Facility for Civil Society launched by the Stop TB Partnership on World TB Day 2007.			
<b>Summary:</b>			
Aspects of progress with regards to Community Engagement will be outlined			
In particular, following discussions with the Board about Community Engagement and pre-approval by the Executive Committee, The Stop TB Partnership Secretariat launched, as a pilot, on World TB Day 2007 a Challenge Facility for Civil Society (CFCS) in line with its approved work plan under the component: "TB affected community empowerment and mobilization".			
This Facility is a mechanism to provide financial support to small groups of civil society organizations such as NGOs, self-help groups and women's groups seeking to make the collective voice of the TB community heard. It has been targeted at civil society groups that seek to shape policy-making at local and national levels by giving a voice to people living with TB and those involved in their care and it is expected to increase awareness among policy makers.			
The pilot stage of the CFCS has, in principle, a duration of one year with a total budget of US\$200,000.			
Winning proposals will be selected by a committee made up of representatives from the WHO Stop TB Department, an NGO from a developing country, an NGO from a developed country, and the community affected by TB and NTP Managers. Committee members are expected to have no conflict of interest in selecting the winning proposals.			
<b>Decisions requested (from the Stop TB Coordinating Board):</b>			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Formal endorsement of the Civil Society Challenge Fund</li> </ul>			
<b>Implications:</b>			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>US\$ 200 00 annually in the pilot phase (within the 2006-2007 workplan)</li> </ul>			
<b>Next Steps</b>			
<b>Action Required:</b> Screening of the proposals; selection of winners, announcement of Winners			
<b>Focal Point:</b> Anant Vijay			
<b>Timeframe:</b> One-year			