

Follow-up on JCB41 recommendations

Agenda item:	4.1
Action / Information:	JCB is invited to review and endorse the follow-up action taken
Purpose:	This document presents an update on the JCB41 recommendations.

Recommendations / Decisions		Follow-up action
1.	Recommended exploring potential indicators to demonstrate the impact of TDR's research and expanding the communication of TDR impact and influence.	TDR's Performance Framework 2018-2023 has updated the indicators reflecting outcomes of TDR's research and capacity strengthening activities, which include: uptake by countries, uptake by global and regional stakeholders, strengthened institutions and networks, benefits of research on gender, equity and vulnerable groups. In addition, in line with JCB's recommendation, under KPI #13, Number of peer-reviewed publications supported by TDR and percentage published in open/free access, we are listing the publications that are estimated to have the greatest impact and influence either immediately, or in the future. The draft 2018 Results Report showcases four such publications on pages 26-27.
2.	Recommended identifying new ways to ensure the visibility of core fund contributors in specific TDR activities and reporting.	TDR branding guidelines have been developed to guide staff and grantees on how to acknowledge funding from TDR and core donors.
3.	Requested a further split in the financial report to show the proportion of technical personnel costs and operations support personnel costs.	Split of the proportion of technical personnel costs and operations support personnel costs has been included in the financial report.
4.	Recommended modifying the wording of the risk regarding funding sustainability to add the risk coming from two major contributors providing almost half of the core funding.	Risk #2 concerning income sustainability has been rephrased, together with rephrasing some mitigation actions, to reflect the recommendation made by the JCB. This appears in the 2018 Risk Management Report on page 5.
5.	Welcomed the technical presentations on SORT IT and ESSENCE on Health Research initiative. Encouraged by the engagement of TDR with a broad range of partners such as the Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria. Requested that TDR continue to engage with such partners to expand its impact on global health.	TDR continues to partner with key stakeholders to expand its impact on global health. In addition to the criteria for partnerships identified in the current strategy, TDR developed specific partnership indicators that allow staff to assess the value of potential partnerships as well as evaluate the results from these partnerships.
6.	Requested the Standing Committee to explore the possibility of holding the JCB meetings earlier in the year.	The Standing Committee explored the options of holding the JCB meeting in March and has endorsed the proposed dates for JCB meetings with the first one starting in 2020. JCB will be requested to approve those dates.