

Follow-up on JCB43 recommendations

Recommendations / Decisions		Follow-up action
1.	That the secretariat and JCB members continue to promote TDR's unique value and role in global health research, particularly in research capacity strengthening and disease surveillance, and looking for gaps in training that it can fill, to help countries' resilience to health emergencies and ultimately strengthening country health systems.	TDR and the programmes it funds have established new collaborations with disease surveillance and other system resilience programmes, including the Social Innovation in Health Initiative (SIHI) and the WHO Health Emergencies Programme (WHE), small grants focussing on International Health Regulations (IHR) implementation, and SORT IT and the Global Outbreak Alert and Response Network (GOARN).
2.	That the secretariat enhances its communications to clearly articulate demonstrated impact of TDR's activities in support of COVID-19 during the pandemic.	The annual report was prepared with a focus on TDR's impact, especially during the COVID-19 pandemic. Targeted communications continue to be provided to donors and others. A new podcast, Global Health Matters, was launched that will also add to overall TDR communications efforts-
3.	That the secretariat stay in contact with the Programme's contributors to assess any impact the current COVID-19 pandemic may have on future funding.	The Secretariat has remained in constant contact with resource contributors.
4.	That the secretariat continue to engage with WHO to address the high risk to TDR, as a specialized programme, of the potential application of WHO's mobility policy	WHO's mobility policy is currently being tested, with further information becoming available in September 2021. The Chairs of JCB and the Policy and Coordination Committee (HRP ¹ PCC) are in communication to ensure a coordinated approach.

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