

# DEVELOPMENT OF THE TDR STRATEGY 2024–2029

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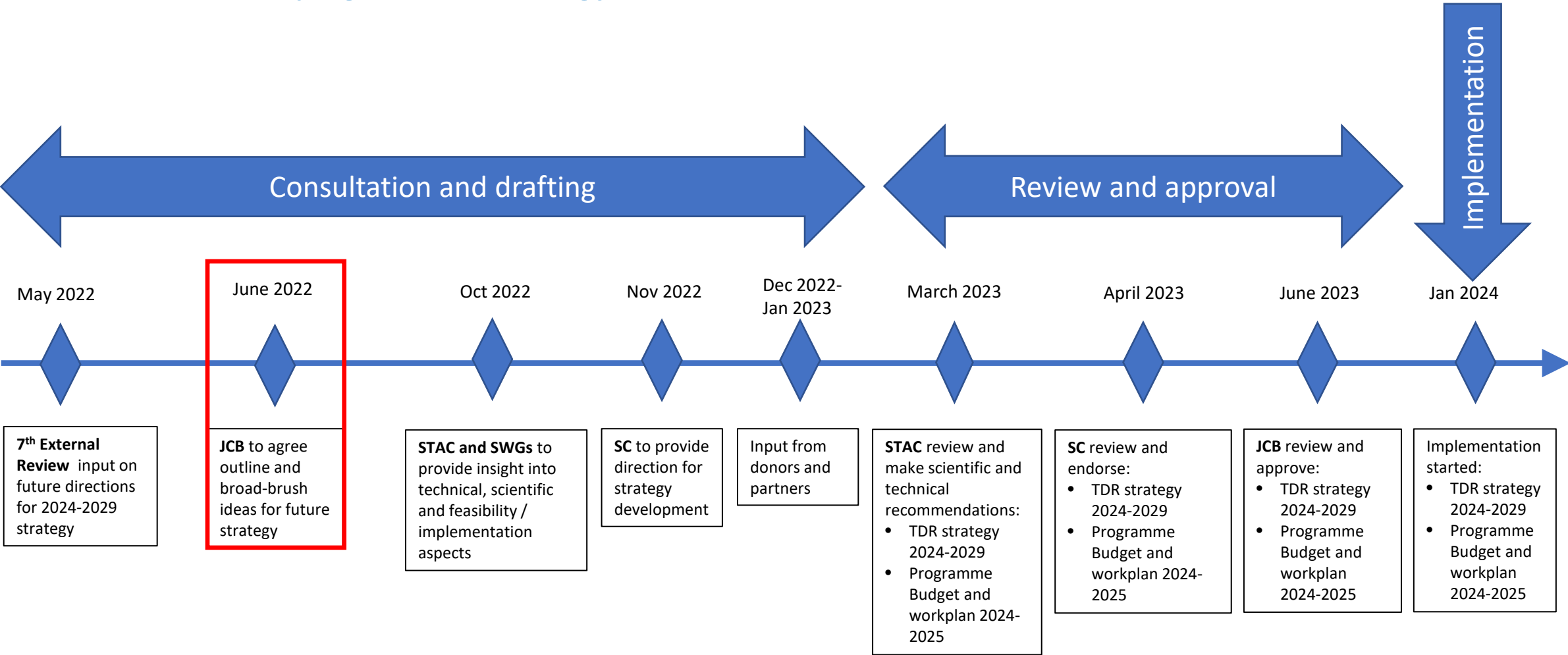


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# Timeline for developing the TDR Strategy 2024–2029



# Starting point: what was strong, what needs strengthening in the previous strategy

1. Summary
2. Our history and achievements
3. How will TDR make an impact?
4. How will TDR achieve its vision?
5. Proven principles guide our priorities
6. Partnerships & governance
7. Managing for success
8. Acknowledging our funders



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## 3. How will TDR make an impact?

- This will probably be the longest chapter – needs a strong boost
- New graphic for where we sit in the research pathway
- What do we work on? How do we describe our niche
- New graphic to depict to drill down into how we are approaching this, particularly by working beyond academic researchers down to implementers at facility and community level -democratising research
- Re-frame against SDG action plan and supporting the WHO GPW 13 and UHC
- Refreshing the impact pathway (Make sure we clearly define implementation/operational research. Maybe another box?)
- Define what success looks like in terms of local scientist improving their countries health - evidence to policy
- Explaining intersectionality
- This may be the best place to talk about addressing big issues and giving particular focus on some flagship themes – e.g. (for discussion)
  - Climate change
  - One Health
  - Emergency preparedness and response/ Health system resilience
  - AMR (antimicrobial resistance)
  - Key populations (including migrants and refugees)
  - Disease elimination
  - Gender

## 4. How will TDR achieve its vision?

- Revision of introduction with focus on multisectoral and multisectional response and engaging with actors across the intervention spectrum
- TDR Research/ TDR Research Capacity Strengthening/ Global Engagement
  - To be revised by working groups
  - Concentration on the cross organisational effort not unit level responsibility
  - Research for implementation should focus in on the key strategic outcomes e.g. research for policy – needs a nice diagram – and have a box giving good examples of successes from the past few years to illustrate the meanings
  - Capacity strengthening needs to explain the implicit and explicit and push this idea of capacity to the level of implementers as well as research leaders. Should include SORT IT and any capacity building in SIHI. Maybe some stories of trainees at different parts of the research spectrum would be good to illustrate.
  - Global engagement is not well understood. Better explanation about what we need and how we use our unique value proposition. As with the others, a box illustrating the key areas with a success example would be good

# Proposed consultation framework and timeline

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	Governing body / stakeholder	Timeline	Mode of feedback
Initial Draft	SWGs with input from STAC	Oct/ Nov 2022	Joint meeting of SWGs and STAC (coordinated by DIR, SWG Chairs and Chair STAC)
	Standing Committee, co-sponsors		Meeting

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Final Draft	STAC review and endorsement	Mar 2023	Meeting (coordinated by DIR)
	Standing Committee endorsement	Apr 2023	Meeting (coordinated by DEC and resource contributors representatives)
	JCB approval	Jun 2023	Meeting (coordinated by DIR)

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Revised Draft	WHO Regional Offices	Nov 2022	Virtual Meeting (coordinated by DIR)
	WHO HQ Science Division and control programmes, other departments and programmes	Dec 2022/ Jan 2023	Email and meeting (coordinated by DIR)
	PDPs – DNDi, MMV, others?		Email (coordinated by DIR)
	Other funders – EDCTP, Wellcome Trust, others?		Email (coordinated by DIR)
	JCB resource contributors' group	Jan 2023	Email and virtual meeting (coordinated by DIR with resource contributors representative)
	JCB disease endemic countries group		Email and teleconference (coordinated by DIR with DEC group representative)
	Selected TDR donors and TDR co-sponsors	Jan/ Feb 2023	Email, call, visit (coordinated by DIR with resource contributors representative)