TDR Strategy 2024–2029 consultation process

This document summarizes the process followed during the consultation phase of the new TDR strategy.

Development timeline

The consultation process

- Consultation with a wide range of stakeholders, including the Joint Coordinating Board, the Scientific and Technical Advisory Committee, resource contributors, WHO departments, PPPs, other funders of health research, country stakeholders and civil society organizations.

- Many responses, feedback, comments and words of support were received.

- Overall feedback confirmed that the current version is clear and well drafted.

- Overall, the focus on four key challenges (epidemics and outbreaks; control and elimination of diseases of poverty; climate change; and resistance to treatment and control agents), was well received.

- Reiterated the importance of an executive summary that is all encompassing of the spirit of the strategy to ensure that even a reader with limited time is able to grasp what is being planned.
Who we consulted

Selected specific responses and feedback

**Need to be made clearer or missing**

- Clearer focus on how TDR will achieve its strategy and results.
- More details in some sections, to avoid it feeling too broad.
- Link biodiversity in climate change and health.
- Link to health systems could be better articulated.
- Better set of indicators for “evidence to practice”.

**Strategy vision and impact**

- Additional info on how TDR will achieve impact, with case studies and examples.
- More metrics of impact in capacity strengthening and research ecosystems.
- Better articulation of TDR’s vision in the emerging Global Health order and how the Programme envisages interacting with it (and remaining relevant).
- Better articulation of how TDR will work with regional and global bodies to achieve impact (Africa CDC, other regional bodies).

**General comments**

- Better consistency of terms and language used in the draft.
- Local leadership – TDR is uniquely positioned, what would success look like?
- Tagline “building the science of solutions” may still work, but some additional suggestions received (from ChatGPT: Empowering global health through innovative research and collaboration).