

Follow-up on JCB46 recommendations

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1.	Recommended presenting exchange rate fluctuations and their impact on TDR finances over time.	Analysis of exchange rate fluctuations will be presented to the JCB meeting as part of the financial update presentation.
2.	Welcomed plans for increased designated fundraising, as recommended by the Standing Committee.	Several applications and proposals have been submitted, new opportunities are continuously sought.
3.	Recommended that the working capital be assigned a more appropriate name and highlight that this is required by WHO and was approved by the Board in 2014.	In coordination with the WHO Finance Department, the terminology is explained in a clearer way in the Certified Financial Report that is being presented to the JCB meeting for approval in June 2024.
4.	Recommended that JCB members should consider and support opportunities for funding TDR, including like-minded potential funders highlighting funding gaps and the need to maintain support to TDR and its activities. Promoting TDR's new Strategy can help in this regard and would support the Programme to disseminate the new document.	Since the launch of the strategy in January 2024, additional outreach to funders and stakeholders has taken place. TDR co-sponsors and JCB members have supported dissemination of the strategy to clearly identify the role that it can play in global health during its implementation.

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<p>5. JCB approved and welcomed the draft Strategy 2024–2029 and asked the TDR secretariat to consider the following recommendations at their discretion:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Welcomed the extensive, inclusive and transparent consultation process during the Strategy development, which accommodated many views and stakeholders. • Recommends that, as part of the section on research capacity strengthening, institutional capacity strengthening should be highlighted more, and to lift and insert ahead of individual research capacity strengthening as this will be seen by stakeholders and funders as being more sustainable with longer-term impact and multiplying TDR’s efforts in this area. A prominent example of institutional strengthening could accommodate this messaging. • Mention ‘biodiversity’ a few more times, where appropriate, and its links to TDR’s work, especially as it connects to the One Health approach and climate change. • Highlight social science and the interdisciplinary dimension. • Point to the value of and need for integration of research into health systems. • Consider opportunities in light of the post-COVID-19 environment. • Consider small island development states’ (SIDS) lack of capacity and how TDR may be able to help. • Recommends that the TDR secretariat identifies how to maximize dissemination of the Strategy to relevant stakeholders and partners, including reaching out to other global health organizations, particularly United Nations initiatives related to the SDGs, to further disseminate it. 	<p>All specific recommendations were assessed and incorporated where feasible and appropriate. The final version of the Strategy 2024–2029 reflects the JCB’s input.</p>