

106th Session of the TDR Standing Committee

18 November 2019, Via audio/teleconference

Summary of decisions and recommendations

<i>Agenda item</i>	<i>Decisions, Recommendations</i>
Welcome and opening remarks	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Professor Debra Jackson, Dr Soumya Swaminathan and Dr John Reeder welcomed everybody to the teleconference
Follow-up to the 105th session of the Standing Committee (SC) and recommendations from JCB42	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All follow-ups from the previous session were addressed and some of them further discussed during this session.
Update on TDR activities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Welcomed progress made by the Special Programme including high level of implementation of activities. Recommended monitoring external and internal developments that may affect financial or programmatic capacity of the Programme by mitigating risks (e.g. Brexit, exchange rate fluctuations, any changes at WHO)
Financial update	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Welcomed the clear update on the financial situation at the close of the current biennium, as well as the financial forecast planning for 2020-2021.
Any other business	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Agreed to hold the next session of the SC on 23 and 24 April in New York, hosted by UNDP who will chair the SC in 2020.

Participants

Members

Professor Debra Jackson, UNICEF (Chair)
 Dr Tenu Avafia, UNDP¹
 Dr Toomas Palu, World Bank
 Dr Soumya Swaminathan, WHO
 Dr Modest Mulenga, Chair JCB
 Dr Xiao Ning, Vice-Chair JCB
 Professor Hannah Akuffo, representative of
 the JCB resource contributor group
 Professor Babatunde Salako, representative of
 the JCB disease endemic country group
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 Dr Beatrice Halpaap, Portfolio and Programme
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