

Agenda

27 May 2020 (for English speakers)

Roundtable organized by Developing Country NGO delegation of the Global Fund Board and the Global Fund Secretariat

Responses to HIV and TB in times of COVID-19 – strengthening engagement with civil society and communities in Eastern Europe and Central Asia (EECA)

COVID-19 pandemic is having a dramatic impact on the most vulnerable communities worldwide and threatens progress against HIV, TB and malaria. Despite the many new challenges that the outbreak of COVID-19 presents, the Global Fund remains committed to the core principle of meaningful community and civil society engagement. This commitment extends to their engagement in efforts to respond to the new pandemic and mitigate its effect on the global HIV, TB and malaria responses through continuing tailored service delivery.

The roundtable will represent an opportunity for civil society and communities in EECA to engage with the Global Fund to learn about the Global Fund response to the pandemic through grant flexibilities and COVID-19 Response Mechanism; and community role and opportunities to engage and to share good practices in community engagement in HIV and TB responses in times of COVID-19 by tailoring services and avoiding service disruptions.

Topic	Presenter	Time (Geneva)
<u>Welcome</u> : Global Fund programming in COVID-19 time	Andrey Klepikov, Global Fund Board member, Developing Country NGO delegation; Annelise Hirschmann, AELAC Department Head, the Global Fund; Dumitru Laticevschi, EECA Regional Manager, the Global Fund	10:00-10:15
<u>Presentation 1</u> : Global Fund COVID-19 support mechanisms and available support for meaningful engagement of communities and civil society	Corina Maxim, EECA team, the Global Fund; Alexandrina Iovita, Technical Adviser, Community, Rights and Gender Department, the Global Fund	10:15-10:35 including discussion and Q and A
<u>Presentation 2</u> : Maintaining and adapting HIV and TB responses	General presentation: Tetyana Deshko, International Programs Director, Alliance for Public Health Country examples: - <i>English-language session</i> : <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <u>Serbia</u>: Miloš Perić, Program Coordinator, Asocijacija DUGA /Association RAINBOW; <u>Romania</u>: Silvia Asandi, General Director, Romanian Angel Appeal Foundation 	10:35-11:20 including discussion and Q and A

Closing remarks	Andrey Klepikov, Global Fund Board member, Developing Country NGO delegation; Dumitru Laticeschi, EECA Regional Manager, the Global Fund	11:20-11:30
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