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RBM PARTNERSHIP TO END MALARIA

Nomination and Selection Pack for the RBM Partnership Board

Background

Since 1998, the RBM Partnership to End Malaria (formerly Roll Back Malaria) has been central to the global fight against malaria. The past twenty years have seen tremendous gains in reducing the burden of disease and progressing towards malaria elimination.

The success of the RBM Partnership in harmonising partner action against malaria has enabled us to set an ambitious target: with the WHO Global Technical Strategy and accompanying RBM Action and Investment to defeat Malaria (AIM) setting our collective sights on a further 90% reduction by 2030; and the Global Goals for Sustainable Development under Target 3.3 calling to "end" malaria by 2030. The expected cost to achieve these goals is currently estimated at ~\$100 billion, setting us an equally ambitious resource mobilisation challenge.

The RBM Partnership established a new Board in 2016, of up to 15 members, selected to bring enhanced levels of skills and experience at a senior decision-making level and representation from across the Partnership, including malaria-affected countries, private sector, entities outside the malaria and health sectors, civil society and donors. The list of the current Board Members can be found here: https://endmalaria.org/about-us/governance/board.

RBM now seeks two new Board members this year to replace those rotating off and to consider candidates for possible vacancies in 2020. This document provides an overview of the nomination and selection process for the RBM Partnership Board.

The Board particularly encourages nominations from female candidates as well as candidates from malaria endemic countries or regions.

The deadline for receipt of nominations is **31 July 2019** with the nomination and selection process due to conclude by **6 September 2019**.

A Nomination Form can be found in **Annex 1**.



Overview of Eligibility, Skill Requirements and Selection Criteria

Eligibility

Any person working or with significant experience in the field of global or regional health and/or development, including both public and private sectors, and committed to the RBM Partnership Vision is eligible to be considered for membership of the Partnership Board. Partnership Board Members should be prominent leaders in the global malaria, health or development community and/or individuals who are able to ensure consistent resourcing of the Partnership mechanisms or global efforts to fight malaria.

Skills & Experience

The RBM Bye-Laws¹ (section 4.3.4) outlines the following skills Partnership Board Members should be able to demonstrate:

- ✓ In-depth understanding of and personal commitment to the Partnership principles, core values, and achievement of its Vision.
- ✓ Recognition as a leader in global or regional health and/or development with the understanding and knowledge required to help shape overall strategic direction for the Partnership.
- ✓ In-depth knowledge of the issues around malaria, international health and/or development, and development financing.
- ✓ Strong leadership and management skills.
- ✓ Ability to act as an ambassador/advocate and to represent the Partnership at a senior level (e.g. represent a larger viewpoint, possess decision-making authority within their organisation).
- ✓ Experience working in a multicultural environment.
- ✓ Experience serving in partnerships and governing bodies, and the ability and capacity to network effectively and broadly.
- ✓ Facilitative and consultative approach; diplomatic with policy and strategic skills.
- ✓ Access to the necessary communication infrastructure to carry out their role as Partnership Board Members effectively (e.g. telephone, fax, e-mail and mobile phone).
- ✓ Ability to work in written and spoken English and/or French.

Partnership Board Member Commitment

Board Members will serve the Partnership for a term of three years, with the possibility of a renewed second term of three years. Board Members will be expected to attend two face-to-face meetings of the Board annually, and devote and commit to setting aside adequate time to prepare themselves for these meetings.

Selection Criteria

The Board strives for diversity in the background, sector, and expertise of members to reflect the breadth of the Partnership, with special regard for those from malaria-affected countries. The Board collectively should represent a network that goes beyond malaria, either as individuals or through the organisations to which they belong. Nominees shall be drawn from

¹ https://endmalaria.org/sites/default/files/RBM%20Bye-Laws%20v1 0%2028 09 16.pdf

the wide malaria and related multi-sectoral communities, including government, civil society, non-government organisations, the private sector, donors (governmental, multilateral or private philanthropic organisations), research and academia among others.

Nominees may fulfil more than one of the above criteria outlined in the RBM Bye-Laws. Should suitable nominations collectively not satisfy the above criteria, the Board Selection Committee (BSC) may choose to select members as close to the criteria as possible.

Nomination and Selection Process

Candidates for the Partnership Board may be nominated by Partners or sitting Members of the Partnership Board. Any individual is encouraged to self-nominate if s/he has the required skills and experience and is willing to commit the time required. Any nominations previously submitted will be considered providing they meet the agreed selection criteria.

The nomination form is attached in **Annex 1**. Nominations should be sent to the RBM Secretariat (BoardAffairs@endmalaria.org).

In their nomination of candidates, all individuals and nominating partners and groups need to ensure that due regard is paid to the above criteria and to ensure that all nominees:

- a) Agree to their names being put forward.
- b) Are prepared to serve on the Partnership Board and to attend all meetings either in-person, or on an exceptional basis, by videoconference or teleconference.
- c) Recognise that they are only being nominated and that selection for the Board is subject to the recommendations of the BSC and approval by the full Partnership Board.

The RBM Board Selection Committee (BSC) will review nominations and recommend suitable candidates to fill vacancies in the Partnership Board. The BSC is chaired by the Partnership Board Vice-Chair and contains other serving Partnership Board Members, with the RBM Secretariat providing support.

Selection Timeline

- i) By 13 June 2019: Formal call for nominations.
- ii) 31 July 2019: Nominations close.
- **iii) August 2019:** BSC meeting to review nominations and agree recommendations to the full RBM Board.
- iv) **Early September 2019:** RBM Board reviews recommendations of the BSC and formally appoints the new Board Member through electronic decision.

Information and Support

Any questions about the nomination process or any other aspects of the Partnership Board selection should be sent to the RBM Secretariat (BoardAffairs@endmalaria.org).

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Annex 1:

Nomination Form for RBM Partnership to End Malaria Board

Person Making the Nomination:

	Name:	
Current Position and		
Organisational Affiliation:		
Contact Information:	Email:	
	Telephone:	

Person Being Nominated:

	Name:	
Current Position and		
Organisational Affiliation:		
Gender:		
Country / Region of Origin:		
Contact Information:	Email:	
	Telephone:	

Has the Person Being Nominated:

1	. Had the requirements for Board Membership explained to them?	Yes / No
2	. Understood that nomination does not automatically mean they will	Yes / No
	be selected for the Partnership Board?	
3	. Agreed that their name can be put forward into nomination?	Yes / No

Qualifications of the Person Being Nominated:

Which of the desired experience and skills does the person being nominated potentially bring to the Partnership Board:

Experience and Skills	Yes / No	Short Explanation of How Applicant
In-depth understanding of and personal commitment to the Partnership principles, core values, and achievement of its Vision.	Yes / No	Demonstrates These Skills
Be recognised as a leader in global health and/or development with the understanding and knowledge required to help shape overall strategic direction for the Partnership.	Yes / No	
In-depth knowledge of the issues around malaria, international health and/or development, and development financing.	Yes / No	
Strong leadership and management skills.	Yes / No	
Ability to act as an ambassador/advocate and to represent the Partnership at a senior level	Yes / No	

Experience and Skills	Yes / No	Short Explanation of How Applicant Demonstrates These Skills
Experience working in a multicultural environment.	Yes / No	
Experience serving in partnerships and governing bodies, and the ability and capacity to network effectively and broadly.	Yes / No	
Facilitative and consultative approach; diplomatic with policy and strategic skills.	Yes / No	
Access to the necessary communication infrastructure to carry out their role as Partnership Board Members effectively (e.g. telephone, fax, e-mail and mobile phone).	Yes / No	
Ability to work in written and spoken English and/or French.	Yes / No	

Summary

In no more than 500 words, please give any additional reasons why you think that the person being nominated is a suitable candidate for the Partnership Board:			

Completed nomination forms should be returned to the RBM Secretariat (BoardAffairs@endmalaria.org)

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