Addis Ababa Conference
and Statement of Action

Presentation to the WHO Civil Society Task Force
16 June 2016
Online consultation whose objectives were to identify:

- **Areas of importance for** initiating or expanding **TB engagement** of NGOs
- **Characteristics of NGOs** working and not working in TB
- **Participants** for the consultation meeting
Participants

- 700 applicants; 400 completed applications

- Rigorous screening process drawing on STAG-TB members to select participants and award travel support

- 90 CBOs and NGOs; 150 participants from 35 countries

- Engaged CSOs
- Unengaged CSOs
Purpose

To identify experiences, challenges and opportunities and to jointly define the next steps to facilitate the engagement of NGOs and other CSOs, regardless of whether or not they are currently working in the health sector or in TB in particular.
Method

❖ Plenary presentations
❖ Group work
Market Place
Expected outcome

A roadmap for action
for enhancing the engagement of NGOs and CSOs
in the implementation of the End TB Strategy
Statement of Action

• NGOs and other CSOs

• NTPs, MOH and other ministries

• Global Fund and other Donors

• WHO
NGOs and other CSOs

1. Establish an **NGO Coordinating Body** to systematically engage with NTPs and others
2. Identify and train former **TB patients to become advocates** and promote their inclusion in fora at all levels
3. Advocate for **inclusion of social protection** in national TB strategies; in political platforms and at regional and global policy making events
4. Develop **advocacy frameworks for the End TB Strategy**; empower new advocates and champions; use data and patient experience to share powerful messages through innovative media and enhance domestic funding
5. Sensitize communities, patients and key affected populations on their **right to care and social protection** and develop related materials and tools
6. **Align their indicators to the national monitoring and evaluation system** and use their data to continuously improve services and advocacy
NTPs, MOH and other ministries

7. NTPs should **define mechanisms to work together with CSOs** to plan and implement community-based TB activities and engage with NCBs

8. NTPs should **work closely with CSOs** to develop standardised indicators, joint supervision and training to strengthen a single national M&E system

9. MoH and other ministries should **create a formal mechanism to promote and implement the social protection agenda**, in collaboration with CSOs, WHO GF and other partners

10. MoH and other ministries should **actively involve NGOs and other CSOs** working on TB for social protection related policy formulation, planning and implementation processes
11. GF and other donors should include specific budget lines as a requirement to support the engagement of NGOs and other CSOs in their support to high TB burden countries.

12. Donors providing funds to national TB programmes should ensure that these include allocations for capacity building and technical assistance to NGOs and other CSOs.

13. Donors need to require systematic and close collaboration between NTPs and CSOs in planning, implementation, monitoring and evaluation as mandatory criteria for funding.
14. Should facilitate NTP-CSO interaction by supporting the establishment of NGO coordinating bodies and build capacity of NTPs and CSOs through its country offices.

15. Should work with NTPs to promote the wider adoption of the ENGAGE-TB approach to enhance the engagement of CSOs.

16. In consultation with CSOs should define a country specific package of requirements, including technical assistance needed, for unengaged CSOs to become engaged in TB activities.

17. Should develop additional optional indicators targeting vulnerable populations and to measure the equity, impact and effectiveness of community-based TB activities.

18. In collaboration with GF and donors should produce guidance, ensure resources and monitor the inclusion of TB patients in effective social protection schemes.

19. Should promote the use of mobile/digital tools for M&E.

20. Should advocate that all stakeholders align their targets with the End TB strategy targets.
Key priorities to take forward

• Establishment of NCBs and promotion of the ENGAGE-TB approach with unengaged NGOs
• Working with WHO Country Offices to motivate enhanced engagement with CSOs
• Increasing funding available for the integration of TB activities in particular and spending on community based TB activities in general
• Advocating at national, regional and international levels for the inclusion of social protection measures for TB
• Engagement in M&E and impact measurement; perhaps through programme reviews
• Providing feedback on achievements and challenges to enable wider sharing of progressive experience