Major shifts in new ACT-A Strategy & Budget

Facilitation Council Technical Briefing

ACT now. ACT together to accelerate the end of the COVID-19 crisis
The new ACT-A context...

The fight against COVID-19 has fundamentally changed since ACT-A’s launch.

From virtually no countermeasures to the development, scale-up & deployment of a range of tools, especially vaccines.

BUT...

uneven access & fragile progress = a ‘2 track pandemic’ with dramatically different health, economic & societal impacts,

global agreement about the epidemiological situation

a) continued oscillations in next 6m,

b) min global immunity through e.g., vaccines is needed to end the acute phase of the pandemic,

c) COVID-19 will be with us for the long-term

ACT-A is operating in a dramatically different environment with many actors now working to accelerate access to tools & market forces influencing equity.
**New focus |** ACT-A’s next 12 month strategy (Oct ‘21-Sept ‘22) will reflect the rapidly evolving global COVID-19 context

**CONTEXT:**

- **2020**: “Limited availability / existence of tools”
- **2021**: “Era of COVID-19 vaccines”
- **2022+**: “Inequity growing; markets also driving access”
  - “Preparing transition to long-term control of COVID-19”

**Focus of 2021/22 Strategy & Budget**

Solving the escalating inequity in access to COVID-19 tools

As the only global, end-to-end solution for developing & scaling COVID-19 tools, ACT-A is uniquely positioned to advance this objective.
ACT-A’s work will be driven by **clear targets & real-time understanding of coverage gaps**

### Vaccines coverage

\[\text{(\% of population fully vaccinated)}\]

**Global target:** 70% coverage

### Diagnostics coverage

\[\text{(Average daily tests for COVID-19)}\]

**Global target:** 100 tests/100K pop/day in all countries

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Work ongoing to define contribution of ACT-A towards wider global targets for vaccines, tests, treatments & PPE
New strategic priorities will anchor ACT-A’s work to ‘solve the escalating inequity’

ENABLING PRIORITY:

1. Closely track gaps and crucial barriers to access Vaccines, Tests & Treatments esp. in LICs, LMICs & lagging UMICs to direct ACT-A work & accelerate equity

PRODUCT PRIORITIES:

2. Accelerate the 70% global vaccination target, tackling barriers to development, global access and uptake

3. Ensure key testing & sequencing capacities globally, to track evolving epi & virus; optimise use of tools

4. Save & protect lives, with scaled delivery of existing & new treatments, incl. O2, and access to PPE

DELIVERY PRIORITY:

5. Fully integrate Pillar delivery support with COVID-19 global, regional & national response mechanisms, (integrating vulnerabilities, financing & risks, and managing interface with health systems)
Total estimated cost for LICs/LMICs for next 12 months | to track the pandemic, reach global Vx targets, save lives & protect HCWs = ~US$ 50B

Cost estimates for LICs/LMICs+ by category of cost in US$ Bn

- **R&D and market-shaping**: $4 B (8%)
- **Procurement**: $32 B (60%)
- **Logistics & surge labor**: $15 B (29%)
- **Technical Assistance**: $2 B (4%)
- **Total cost of ending acute pandemic**: $52 B (100%)

- Funding channels:
  - $25-$34 B ACT-A
  - ~$20 B other channels

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*Work in progress on the crucial investments to fully leverage ACT-A’s added value*
ACT-A sits within the global response, and will focus its contribution on closing the equitable access gap and managing risks.

- **Closing equity gap**: Meet targets for equitable access to COVID-19 tools
- **Mitigating roll out risks in LICs/LMICs**: Mitigate contractual risks and adverse pandemic developments
- **Ending the COVID-19 crisis globally**
Differentiating ACT-A funding needs to ensure the investments needed to close equity gaps and mitigate risks

ACT-A's 2021/22 budget compared to global financing targets, US$ Billion

- Vaccines
- Therapeutics
- Diagnostics
- HSC
- TBC

Ending the acute phase of the pandemic

Other mechanisms

Total ACT-A

Closing equity gap

Mitigating rollout risks in LICs/LMICs

Exact targets and budgets by Pillars will be communicated with the next ACT-A Strategic Plan & Budget

PRELIMINARY
Timeline & next steps | publish new ACT-A Strategic Plan & Budget in advance of the G20 Summit

September '21
- 22 Sept
  ACT-A Council Briefing + USG COVID-19 Summit (UNGA)

October '21
- 10 Oct
  Working Draft for Council review
- 15 Oct
  ACT-A Council
- 30-31 Oct
  G20 Summit

Immediate next steps

• Pillars continuing to sharpen targets, priorities & budgets
• Hub consolidating Pillar inputs into overall draft
• Pillars/Hub incorporating Strategic Review findings