Activities of NGOs and other CSOs that participated in the marketplace

The meeting was intended to serve as an interactive “market-place”, allowing NGOs and other CSOs to demonstrate their ability to reach “the unreached” and contribute to the fight against TB. Thirty NGOs were represented in the marketplace. 15 currently engaged and 15 not currently engaged in TB-related activities. Early in the market-place session in plenary, representatives of the TB-engaged NGOs each gave a 1-min summary of their work and experience and encouraged the other NGOs participants to come to their booths to discuss and learn more about their community work from posters and other materials. They presented profiles of the communities they serve and messages that they considered should be shared globally. These 15 NGOs were the “presenters”, while the remaining 15 NGOs and other participants reviewed the market-place booths and presentations and were the “responders”. They linked the “presenters” experiences with their own work and, in plenary at the end of the market-place session, they commented on what they had learnt and how it would enrich their own programmes.

**Act for Involvement (Republic of Moldova)** builds bridges to ensure access to health care services for vulnerable people affected by TB, HIV/AIDS and other diseases. It offers innovative services, advocacy and community mobilization; its public health programmes ensure sharing of experience and cooperation in planning and implementing health system reforms at regional and national levels.

**Action Now Kenya (Kenya)** is not currently engaged in TB activities. It works at the grassroots level to support marginalized communities in informal settlements in Nairobi and rural Maasai. Its programmes involve micro-enterprise development to support household incomes; health through mobilization and awareness-raising about HIV/AIDS, nutrition, immunization and reproductive health; vocational training for young people who are out of school and life-skills training for children in school.

**Afya Elimu na Uchumi kwa Maendeleo ya Mtanzania (United Republic of Tanzania)** is not currently engaged in TB activities. The organization educates individuals, couples and the community on issues related to maternal and child health and creates awareness among adolescents about reproductive care and rights; it also conducts health education promotion and life-skills training in schools, supports social activities and supplies community health services.

**Botswana Christian AIDS Intervention Programme (Botswana)** provides TB treatment support, contact tracing, intensive case finding, referral of suspected cases and education through community mobilization in order to reduce the burden of TB on patients, overcome limitations to access to services and increase patients’ sense of “ownership” and involvement in the fight against TB and HIV infection.

**BRAC (Bangladesh)** is engaged in TB activities. It provides services in the areas of health, education, finance and enterprise development, human rights and legal aid, agriculture and food security in Africa, Asia and Latin America. Its health care programme combines promotion, prevention and basic curative services, supplied by female community health workers.

**Cairos (Kyrgyzstan)** was founded by people from the community of ex-prisoners living with HIV, drug users and with hepatitis. It is dedicated to the prevention of HIV infection and other socially significant diseases, including TB, in the penitentiary system and in society by preparing informative audio materials on the prevention of TB, viral hepatitis, HIV infection and drug use to be broadcasted on prison radio. It also conducts training and consultation for prisoners for the prevention of HIV infection and TB and provides support for adherence to TB treatment.

**Cambodian People Living with HIV Network (Cambodia)** is not currently engaged in TB activities. It is a country-wide network of people living with HIV who advocate and provide coordination at health facilities and in communities. It has almost 30 000 members and more than 1000 self-help groups. It collaborates with non-health service providers to help people establish income-generating activities.

**Catholic Health Care Association (South Africa)** is engaged in TB activities. It is the “umbrella” body for nearly 200 independent health care community-based organizations in Botswana, South Africa and Swaziland that run orphanages, homes for the elderly, hospices, primary health care clinics, home-based care projects and hospitals. It supports them with advocacy, information, networking, workshops and capacity-building and represents their views in various fora.

**Centre for Positive Care (South Africa)** is engaged in TB activities. The organization provides prevention, care and support for orphans and other vulnerable children and their families in high-transit areas, including migrant communities. It supports people living with HIV by forming support groups and promoting the human rights of populations such as sex workers and gay and lesbian communities. They fight TB by screening, sputum collection and contact-tracing for patients referred by clinics.

**Community Health Access Programme (Kenya)** empowers organized women’s groups in rural and remote areas to take charge of their health by creating awareness about general health, such as breastfeeding, immunization, sanitation and personal and household hygiene. In 2012, it included TB activities and now provides health education, community referral of presumptive TB cases, screening for malnourished children and tracing contacts and patients lost to follow-up.
ExMiners Association of Lesotho (Lesotho) assists miners and ex-miners with occupational diseases in obtaining adequate medical treatment by training and workshops to raise awareness and sensitize patients about occupational and chronic diseases such as TB, silicosis, asbestosis, HIV infection and AIDS.

Global Coalition of TB Activists (India) is a coalition of TB-affected communities and their representatives that works to link CSOs, community groups and other stakeholders. It advocates for increased resources; strengthening community engagement, networking and partnerships; strengthening the capacity of activists and representatives of affected communities; and promoting effective communication about TB.

House of Empowerment and Awareness in Tanzania (United Republic of Tanzania) is not currently engaged in TB activities. Its mission is to empower and create awareness in the lesbian, gay, bisexual, trans-gender and inter-sex community and among sex workers by training in life skills, capacity, entrepreneurship, education, art and other talents so that they can become self-employed and independent and build self-esteem. The organization will prepare a summary of the TB situation in its target communities and opportunities for action identified during the consultation.

Japan–Nepal Health and Tuberculosis Research Association (Nepal) is a leading TB organization in Nepal that collaborates with the NTP and other partners to contribute to TB care and support and to initiate community-based TB care for patients who cannot attend a TB clinic during opening hours. Its target populations include poor, vulnerable and marginalized people, particularly slum dwellers, rubbish collectors, internally displaced people and health workers.

Judith Chikonde Foundation (Zambia) supports people affected and infected by HIV and TB. It provides education on nutrition, hygiene, water and sanitation and organizes demonstrations of cooking of local foods during special clinics to raise awareness about the importance of eating a balanced diet. It also supports income-generating activities with partner organizations and provides nutrition support to patients with TB/HIV co-infection, ex-TB patients and their treatment supporters through village projects for keeping dairy goat and chickens.

Life Concern (Malawi) counsels couples on HIV infection, promotes uptake of services for prevention of mother-to-child transmission by organizing study groups and trains service providers and peer educators on referral systems and community-to-facility links. It has started a TB project to complement its existing HIV projects in one district, to raise awareness, increase access to TB diagnostic services and strengthen follow-up, referral and links to care.

Mbarara Development Agency (Uganda) helps to improve the treatment outcomes of TB patients through community- and family-based treatment support, in collaboration with Government-supported community development officers. It also furnishes identification, treatment, palliative care, referral and support services.

Medical Women Association of Tanzania (United Republic of Tanzania) is not currently engaged in TB activities. It comprises female medical and dental practitioners who address women’s health issues and improve their health care in society. It promotes the professional development of female medical and dental practitioners to contribute to improving the quality of life and social well-being of Tanzanians and especially those at a disadvantage. It plans to use campaigns and activities to integrate TB into its activities, with the support of the NTP.

Myanmar Medical Association (Myanmar) is an organization of medical doctors who work with communities, in line with national strategies, to engage private health care providers in TB activities, increase case detection in hard-to-reach and border areas, ensure patient-centred community-based care for MDR-TB by using mobile phones to track patient care, provide nutritional support, trace household contacts and provide support for monitoring side-effects.

New Dimension Consulting (Zimbabwe) is engaged in TB activities. It provides technical assistance to the implementers of Global Fund grants in Africa, focusing on strengthening community systems, monitoring and evaluation, the inclusion of women in notes on country concepts, data assessment and management and research on stigmatization of patients with TB. The organization works closely with the Bristol Meyers–Squibb Foundation “Secure the Future” project to ensure regular support to grantees.

Nigeria Network of Nongovernmental Organizations (Nigeria) is not currently engaged in TB activities. It facilitates effective advocacy on poverty and other developmental issues. It represents over 1800 organizations at all levels and of all sizes, to identify, register, coordinate, build capacity and mobilize CSOs to promote interconnectivity and bring equity, justice, peace and development to grassroots communities. As a result of the consultation, it plans to seek advice on integrating TB into its activities.

Organization of Women in Self Employment (Ethiopia) is not currently engaged in TB activities. It works with thousands of women and girls with low income to assist them in improving their quality of life by creating employment, developing transformational women leaders, building sustainable institutions and promoting learning and the replication of good practices. As a result of the consultation, it will include TB in its health training.

PLAN-International (Ethiopia) is not currently engaged in TB activities. It addresses the high levels of illness and death among children under 5 years by strengthening the continuum of health care for better service delivery and by improving maternal, newborn and child health practices by community mobilization. As a result of the consultation, it plans to strengthen and officialize its TB activities.

Savana Signatures (Ghana) runs health projects that effectively promote education and services for TB patients. The projects also contribute to reducing maternal mortality rates and educating young people on sexual and reproductive health and related behaviour through educational SMS.
**Talaku Community Based Organization (Kenya)** was founded by a person with abdominal TB. The organization serves the Maasai pastoralist community by providing health education in schools and screening and referring pupils with TB symptoms, tracing household contacts and identifying patients who are lost to follow-up.

**TB Proof (South Africa)** prides itself on being a diverse, inclusive global community of TB survivors and activists who advocate for better TB diagnostics, treatment and prevention on various national and global platforms, including conference presentations, panel discussions, media engagements, social media, petitions and peer-reviewed publications.

**TB/HIV Research Foundation (Thailand)** conducts epidemiological, biomedical and social science research on TB and TB/HIV co-infection, collaborates with local, national and international organizations in training and technical collaboration to improve TB programmes and provides support to poor TB patients.

**Tuberculosis Advocacy Consortium (Kenya)** collaborates with TB patients, CSOs, Government agencies and research institutions to control all forms of TB and to help provide good-quality care and support to TB patients. It is mobilizing TB patients and communities in Kenya and elsewhere to play an active role in ensuring universal access to TB and TB/HIV co-infection services by promoting health and preventing and managing TB and other public health challenges.

**WOTE Youth Development Projects (Kenya)** is engaged in strengthening community TB systems through activities such as tracing patients lost to treatment, tracing contacts, active case finding and referral, psychosocial support, training community health volunteers, coordination and linkage with health facilities and stakeholders, resource and social mobilization and monitoring and evaluation of TB programmes.

**Zambart (Zambia)** conducts interdisciplinary research in epidemiological, clinical, social, laboratory and operations sciences, in health policy and health economics, communications and counselling and community-based research on TB, HIV infection and other areas of public health. Zambart has over 10 years of experience in conducting large-scale randomized trials in communities that include household testing and screening and community engagement.

**Other participating NGOs and other CSOs:** ActionAid Malawi (Malawi), African Services Committee Inc. (Ethiopia), AIDC (Angola), AIDS Healthcare Foundation (South Africa), ALERT (Ethiopia), AMREF Health Africa (Ethiopia), AMREF Health Africa (Kenya), Armenia Red Cross Society (Armenia), Association of the Survivors of the Makosola Massacres (Democratic Republic of Congo), Baylor College of Medicine and Texas Children’s Hospital (USA), Beza for Generation Ethiopian Resident Charity Organization (Ethiopia), Civil Society Movement against Tuberculosis in Sierra Leone (CISMAT-SL) (Sierra Leone), Communication for Development Centre (Nigeria), Consortium of Christian Relief and Development Association (CCRDA) (Ethiopia), Consortium of Christian Relief and Development Association (CCRDA) (Ethiopia), Doctors with Africa CUAMM (Ethiopia), EBC (Ethiopia), Ethiopian Public Health Association (Ethiopia), Faith in Action Destitute Children HIV + Women and Widower Empowerment Center (Ethiopia), Fondation Femmes Plus (Democratic Republic of Congo), Future for Marginalized Community (United Republic of Tanzania), Generation Ethiopian Resident Charity Organization (Ethiopia), German Leprosy and Tuberculosis Relief Association (Ethiopia), Global Fund Advocates Network - Africa Hub (GFAN) and Africa Civil Society Platform for Health (CISPHE) (Ethiopia), Grassroots Poverty Alleviation Program (GAPP) (Kenya), GTAC (India), Hamqadam Development Foundation (Pakistan), Impact on Reproductive Health Initiative (Nigeria), International Community of Women living with HIV (ICW West Africa) (Nigeria), International Community of Women living with HIV (Kenya), KNCV Tuberculosis Foundation (Ethiopia), KNCV Tuberculosis Foundation (The Netherlands), Lebanese Anti TB Association (LATA) (Lebanon), Les Amis des Manobos (France), Light Ethiopia (Ethiopia), Maa Community Health Workers CBO (Kenya), Maedot (Ethiopian Resident Charity Organization) (Ethiopia), Management Sciences for Health (MSH) (Ethiopia), Medical Women Association of Tanzania (MEWATA) (United Republic of Tanzania), Mothers and Children Multisectoral Development Organization (Ethiopia), MSF (Kyrgyzstan), Organization for Prevention Rehabilitation and Integration of Female Street Children (Ethiopia), Pan African Civil Society Platform on Access to Medicines (Ethiopia), Plan International – West Africa Regional Office (Burkina Faso), Plan International Senegal (Senegal), Population Media Center (Ethiopia), Progynist (Ethiopia), Results (UK), Save the Children (Ethiopia), St Paul’s Hospital Millennium Medical College (Ethiopia), Talent Youth Association (Ethiopia), TESS Development Advisors (Switzerland), The Anglican Communion Office (Ethiopia), Vision for Mission Initiative (Ethiopia), Women Organization for Development and Capacity Building (LABENA) (Sudan), World Vision International (Swaziland), World Vision Somalia (Kenya), Zanzibar Union of Public and Health Employees Zanzibar (ZUPHE) (United Republic of Tanzania), Zewdu Initiative (Ethiopia),