

## KEY QUESTIONS FOR THE POLICY ROUNDTABLES

### FINANCE

1. How much money is needed for the Global Fund to be effective in addressing the current global AIDS crisis?
2. Should the U.N. require mandatory contributions from United Nations member states to support the Global Fund? If so, how should the Fund determine the appropriate assessment on each individual country?
3. As an alternative to assessments on member countries, should the U.N. mandate some form of global tax on certain types of economic activity or financial transaction. If so, what sort of tax should it be?
4. If it does not impose mandatory assessments or taxes, how should the the required resources required for the Fund be raised? Voluntary contributions from member states? Grass-roots fundraising? Public-private partnerships?
5. What specific measures can the Fund take to encourage greater financial support from the public and private sectors?
6. Any additional agenda issues/solutions?

### TARGETING

1. Should the Global Fund be used to address the HIV/AIDS crisis only in the world's poorest countries? Or should it also fund activities and programs in middle income and/or OECD countries as well?
2. Does it make more sense for the Fund to target specific groups with its limited resources to maximize impact? Please justify answer.
3. If "targeting" is used, what groups should the Fund target?
  - Demographic groups, such as: men, women, children, young people, pregnant women and their infants, mothers, economically active population, etc?
  - Occupational groups, such as: health care workers, teachers, policeman, prostitutes, truck drivers, etc
  - Other vulnerable populations, such as: intravenous drug users, prisoners, migrant populations, men who have sex with men, people living under armed conflict, etcPlease outline a targeting strategy, if appropriate, such as prioritizing groups in a particular order. Also, provide a percentage breakdown of how you would allocate Fund resources to your targeting strategy.
4. Any additional agenda issues/solutions?

### PROGRAM / ACTIVITY AREA

1. Which program or activity areas should the Global Fund focus on: prevention, treatment, vaccines, or some combination? Please justify strategy and provide supporting evidence of effectiveness of proposed solution.
2. How would you design implementation and delivery mechanisms for the chosen programs/activities in order to maximize their effectiveness? Be sure that your responses to both (1) and (2) are sensitive to economic, cultural, and infrastructure issues.
3. Any additional agenda issues /solutions?

## **INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY**

1. Should developing countries be granted a particularly generous interpretation of the multilateral agreement on protection of intellectual property (TRIPS) to allow them to manufacture or import inexpensive generic versions of patented drugs and thus reduce the cost of Global Fund programs?
2. Should developing countries be granted a complete waiver of patent protection provisions for all AIDS medications, both existing and yet to be developed? Or should some limitations be imposed to provide incentives for further research and innovation in that field? In short, how would you implement any waiver arrangements?
3. How would you define “developing countries” for this purpose? Would you extend the provisions you have designed to countries that do not meet the definition of “developing” but are experiencing or threatened by a major AIDS epidemic?
4. Any additional agenda issues /solutions?