

*Global Partnership to Stop TB*  
**Stop TB Partnership Secretariat**  
**2002 Achievements Summary\***

The year 2002 has been an important year of building and consolidation for the Stop TB Partnership Secretariat (Secretariat). The Secretariat has expanded and evolved into an effective team that serves as a model to other public health initiatives. Its main function is to support the Stop TB Partnership and its Coordinating Board in three areas of work: Partnership, Global TB Drug Facility and Advocacy and communications.

The specific achievements for each area of work in 2002 are as follows (see annexes for detailed specified according to the Workplan 2002 log-frame):

**(1) Partnership**

*Support to the Stop TB Coordinating Board*

- The Secretariat has supported the implementation of the key recommendations set by the Coordinating Board in 2002, specifically the following products and activities: (a) draft Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Global Fund to fight AIDS, TB and Malaria (GFATM); (b) the Stop TB Trust Fund; (c) high-level missions to high-burden countries (Nigeria, Bangladesh), and organizations, including the Gates Foundation.

*Working Groups, Regional and National Partnerships to Stop TB*

- The working groups concretised their work plans in order to overcome potential barriers to meeting the 2005 targets for case detection and cure rates.
- Three additional regional partnerships (AMRO, EURO, and AFRO) were established, while national partnerships became operational in all but one high burden country (HBC).

*Financing and Resource Mobilisation*

- The partnership established a StopTB Trust Fund at the World Bank to expand the options available to donors wishing to make contributions to the partnership for targeted funding or to finance priority areas identified by the Coordinating Board.
- An on line Resource Mobilization Directory is being developed by the secretariat together with an IT development firm, in close collaboration with the working groups.
- A draft partnership finance work-plan was developed through consultation with the working groups, partners and sisters alliances.

*TB & Poverty*

- The theme "Stop TB to fight poverty" was explored in depth through a participatory process. Two meetings were conducted that supported the systematic analysis of existing evidence on the relationship between TB and poverty.

*Business partners*

- As a first step for more intensified collaboration with private sector/ business partners, the secretariat has catalysed the development of WHO guidelines for TB control in the workplace. This is a joint effort of ILO and Stop TB Partners, particularly the World Economic Forum (WEF) and the Open Society Institute (OSI). OSI has seconded a staff to WEF working full-time on TB.

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\* This document is a summary of the Secretariat 2002 activities. Detailed reports are available on the GDF. In its meeting in Osaka'02, the Board concluded: "The Board concluded that an annual report should be developed reflecting the "State of global efforts to Stop TB". The Secretariat to expand the Secretariat annual report into a comprehensive document, including Working Group reports. From 2003 onwards, such a report will be distributed on World TB Day, 24 March". A summarized Secretariat report was requested for future purposes.



Stop TB partnership coordination	Outreach/Impact
Coordinating Board meetings	2 meetings (Osaka/CapeTown)
Board Working Committee	8 teleconferences
Working Group meetings	DOTS Expansion, Oct'03, Montreal/Canada TB/HIV, June'03, Durban/South Africa DOTS Plus, April'03, Estonia TB Vaccines, June'03, Geneva/Switzerland TB Diagnostics, Oct'03, Montreal/Canada New TB Drugs

## (2) Global TB Drug Facility

The work by GDF in 2002 built on the achievements of the starting up phase when the necessary capacity and procedures were developed and further refined.

- (a) set up systems and processes for applications, review, procurement and monitoring;
- (b) Process the drug orders of the initial countries approved for support.

*In 2002 the following additional activities were initiated:*

- (c) Set up systems for countries to buy drugs through a direct procurement mechanism;
- (d) Set up systems to ensure that countries and agencies (including GDF) can identify quality assured TB products;
- (e) Monitor countries that had received drugs eight months previously.

Activity	Cumulative
Rounds of applications and review	5
Number of countries/NGO's applying for GDF support	58
Number of countries/NGO's approved for support	44
Number of countries monitored for repeat support	4
Total value of grants (including buffer)	US\$ 19,752,313
Number of patient treatments approved (including buffer)	1,857,520
Drug orders placed	33
Number of countries which have received drug deliveries	19

*Other notable GDF achievements in 2002 include the following:*

- A direct procurement mechanism has been established, enabling countries to utilize their own resources to procure drugs through the GDF, benefiting from the low prices and high quality gained by the GDF.
- More countries are developing DOTS expansion plans and introducing policies based on the DOTS strategy, plans are being developed for improving drug management, and in several countries, new partners are providing additional technical and financial assistance.
- The GDF has promoted the use of fixed-dose combinations, in particular in the form of the 4FDC.
- The GDF Secretariat is closely collaborating with the GFATM to ensure complementary activities-

## (3) Advocacy and Communication

A new communications team was established within the Secretariat, including a communications adviser, a campaigns officer, an information manager and support staff. A strategic framework on Stop TB Advocacy and Communications was completed after three rounds of consultations involving 50 individuals. This was presented to the Board (in the Osaka meeting February '02) and the directions were endorsed. The board emphasized the need to activate country related activities, which resulted in intensive planning on social and community mobilization activities (COMBI). New COMBI social

mobilization campaigns to support DOTS expansion in Bangladesh, India (Kerala State) and Kenya will have started early 2003.

In the table below, it is indicated what the information outreach has been from the Secretariat. To highlight media outreach, the Secretariat developed regional media networks, and promotional activities were held along meetings and conferences:

<b>Stop TB Informational materials</b>	<b>Outreach/ Impact</b>
Stop TB Website (daily)	1,730 (on average)
Stop TB Web Alerts (weekly)	48
Stop TB Communiqué (monthly)	12
Stop TB Newsletters (quarterly)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Stop TB, fight poverty (6,000 copies)</li> <li>• Time Bomb: Multidrug-resistant TB (4,000 copies)</li> </ul>
World TB Day 2002 Pack (yearly)	6,000 copies
World TB Day 2002 Highlights Report (yearly)	4,000 copies
Stop TB Annual Report 2001 (yearly)	2,500 copies
Stop TB Displays	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Exhibited at:</li> <li>- 55th World Health Assembly, Switzerland, Geneva, May;</li> <li>- XIV International AIDS Conference, Spain, Barcelona, July;</li> <li>- 3rd DOTS Expansion Working Group Meeting, Canada, Montreal, Oct;</li> <li>- 3rd Meeting of the Stop TB Taskforce, African Region, Zimbabwe, Harare, December</li> </ul>
Stop TB Videos	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Complex Emergencies &amp; DOTS Lessons from Somalia</li> <li>- The Return of TB by Manfred van Eyk</li> <li>- Intro to DOTS Plus meeting</li> <li>- Montreal meeting</li> </ul>
Stop TB Screensavers	2 developed related to the countdown towards WTBD'03
<b>Media Outreach</b>	<b>Events</b>
Promotion activities that generated media coverage	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- World TB Day 2002, 24 March 2002</li> <li>- World Congress on TB, Washington DC, June 02</li> <li>- 2nd meeting of TB/HIV Working Group, Durban, June 02</li> <li>- International AIDS Conference, Barcelona, July 02</li> <li>- IUATLD Conference, Montreal, Oct 02</li> </ul>
Media networks activities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Strategy planning meeting for EU partners, London, Sep 02</li> <li>- Planning and logistical support for Stop TB Coordinating Board meeting, Capetown, Oct 02</li> <li>- Plan of action for TB advertising campaign in 2003 World Cup Cricket (WCC), JoBurg, Nov 02</li> <li>- Special TB briefing in House of Commons for British MPs and media, London, Dec 02</li> </ul>