

EECA Regional Online Dialogue for the Development of a New Regional Program



Dear colleagues and friends,

The Regional Communities Networks Consortium invites you to participate in the Regional Dialogue for the development of a new regional program aimed at strengthening mechanisms that ensure sustainable national funding for HIV prevention and treatment programs, especially among key populations in EECA countries.

The consortium was established on December 20, 2017, to ensure the preparation of a new regional program. It includes:

- Eurasian Harm Reduction Association,
- Eurasian Women's Network on AIDS,
- Eurasian Coalition on Male Health,
- Sex Workers' Rights Advocacy Network,
- The Eurasian Network of People Who Use Drugs.

The regional program will be designed to strengthen efforts to increase access to treatment and prevention of HIV infection and co-infections, improve the effectiveness of planning and monitoring of HIV programs quality, and strengthen community systems for key populations and people living with HIV. The program will complement the current national and regional projects and programs that are supported by the Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria.

The scope of the program of the Regional Communities Networks Consortium can include any of the EECA countries, except for the Balkan countries, that meet the Global Fund's eligibility criteria and requirements for multi-country grants.

The approach to the selection of countries for the project implementation will be developed by the secretariats of the Consortium member organizations and approved by the governing bodies of the networks.

The Regional Dialogue is focused on the participation of community representatives, NGOs and specialists from the EECA region, with the exception of the Balkan sub-region countries.

The purpose of the Regional Dialogue is to ensure meaningful participation of key affected populations, organizations and representatives of expert society in the formulation of the program's goal, its objectives and key activities, so that the program meets the needs of key population groups in the EECA countries to the maximum and uses approaches and methods of work that have proved to be effective in our region.

The Regional Dialogue is held from January 30 to February 20, 2018, in the form of an online survey. As a result, a report will be prepared and published, the data of which will form the basis for the development of the regional program.

The survey questionnaire includes 50 questions and can be filled in between 20 and 40 minutes.

Thank you for giving your time to participate in the Regional dialogue!

Items marked in red are required.

Block 0: General questions

1. Have you read the terms of reference for the multi-country project "HIV: Sustainability of services for key populations in Eastern Europe and Central Asia"?

Yes (please pass over to answer the questionnaire)

No. (please read the

document: https://www.theglobalfund.org/media/7074/fundingmodel_multicountryfunding-2017-02_rfp_en.pdf)

Block 1: Data about the respondent

2. How do you define your gender identity? (Choose 1 option)

female

male

trans person

Other (please specify)

3. Which community or group of people do you identify yourself with? (Select all that apply)

People living with HIV

People who use drugs

Sex workers

Gay men and other men who have sex with men

Trans people

Migrants

Former prisoners

I do not belong to any of the above categories

4. Your age (choose 1 option)

under 18 years of age

19-35 years old

- 36-50 years old
- over 51 years old

5. Country of your residence (specify 1 country)

- Azerbaijan
- Armenia
- Belarus
- Georgia
- Kazakhstan
- Kyrgyzstan
- Moldova
- Russia
- Tajikistan
- Ukraine
- Uzbekistan
- Other (specify)

6. Countries whose situation you know best, in which you have the longest life experience and / or work: (specify no more than 3 countries)

- Azerbaijan
- Armenia
- Belarus
- Georgia
- Kazakhstan
- Kyrgyzstan
- Moldova
- Russia
- Tajikistan
- Ukraine
- Uzbekistan
- Other (specify)

7. In what capacity do you participate in HIV work? (Please select up to 2 options)

- community activist, member of the initiative group of the community
- volunteer of any organization / institution

- user of HIV prevention, support and / or treatment services
- employee of a national NGO
- employee of an international NGO
- employee of a budget social or medical institution
- employee of an educational institution
- employee of a research institute
- member of the UN or other intergovernmental organization
- employee of a commercial company
- member of the Country Coordinating Mechanism (CCM)
- Other (specify)

8. If you work in an organization, please indicate its name

**9. What, basically, do you do as part of your work in the sphere of HIV?
(Please select up to 2 options)**

- I manage the organization / project
- I conduct administrative and financial work
- I provide technical support to employees and / or activists
- I work in the field of policy and advocacy
- I provide legal assistance and support
- I conduct training in safe behavior and / or adherence to treatment
- I provide medical assistance and / or counseling
- I provide social assistance and support
- I provide assistance and "peer to peer" support
- I am not an employee or volunteer of any organization

10. Which regional network or organization are you a member of? (Select all that apply)

- Eurasian Harm Reduction Association
- Eurasian Coalition on Male Health
- Eurasian Women's Network on AIDS
- The Eurasian network of people who use drugs
- Sex Workers' Rights Advocacy Network
- Eastern European and Central Asian Union of PLWH
- TBpeople
- I am not a member of any network
- Member of another network (specify)

11. In what capacity do you participate in the regional dialogue?

- As an individual
- As a representative of the organization (please, write full name of organizations)

Block 2: Goal of the multicountry program

12. Regional Communities Network Consortium is developing an application for a multicountry program.

The goal of the Consortium's regional program is proposed to be formulated as follows: "To ensure sustainability of HIV prevention, treatment and care for key affected populations by community efforts through increased accessibility to high quality non-discriminatory, evidence based and gender oriented services in EECA".

In your opinion, how much does this goal of the regional program correspond to the needs for HIV control in countries that you know well?

- Totally corresponds
- In general, it corresponds
- Poorly corresponds
- Doesn't correspond at all

Please explain your answer

13. If you answered that the proposed goal is "Poorly corresponds" or "Doesn't correspond at all", please write a goal for the regional program that will better reflect the needs of your country, and will also correlate with the requirements of the Global Fund competition.

Block 3: Objectives of the Consortium's regional program

14. Objective 1 for the regional program is proposed to be formulated as follows: "Advocate for increased domestic financing of evidence based and human rights-oriented HIV services for key populations".

In your opinion, to what extent will the solution of this objective help to achieve the goal of the regional program?

- It will help a lot.
- It will help partially.
- It will not help at all.

15. What problems in the sphere of sustainable state (both national and municipal) funding for HIV services are most relevant for the key population group to which you belong or with whom you work? (List no more than 4 major problems.)

Problem 1

Problem 2

Problem 3

Problem 4

16. What can serve as indicators of success for this objective?

Describe 3-4 specific changes in the situation with the financing of services for key population group to which you belong or for whom you work, which will prove the effectiveness of accomplishing this objective.

Change 1

Change 2

Change 3:

Change 4

17. Objective 2 for the regional program is proposed as follows: "Strengthen mechanisms for meaningful participation of communities' in the monitoring of HIV prevention and treatment commodities procurement and in advocacy for price reduction".

In your opinion, to what extent will the solution of this objective help to achieve the goal of the regional program?

- It will help a lot.
- It will help partially.
- It will not help at all.

18. What problems in the field of meaningful participation in the work on reducing the prices of ARVs and in monitoring the procurement of drugs and prevention tools used to fight HIV are most faced by activists and organizations of the community to which you belong or work for? (List no more than 4 major problems.)

Problem 1:

Problem 2:

Problem 3:

Problem 4:

19. What can serve as indicators of success for this objective?

Describe the specific changes in the situation with the participation of community representatives in the work to reduce the prices of ARVs and in the monitoring of purchases and supplies, which will prove the effectiveness of accomplishing this objective.

Change 1:

Change 2:

Change 3:

Change 4:

20. Objective 3 for the regional program is proposed as follows: "Increase communities' effectiveness in overcoming legal barriers in accessing HIV services and addressing human rights of key populations".

In your opinion, to what extent will the solution of this objective help to achieve the goal of the regional program? w

- It will help a lot.
- It will help partially.
- It will not help at all.

21. What are the problems associated with stigma, discrimination and criminalization that are most relevant to the community to which you belong or work for? (List no more than 4 major problems.)

Problem 1:

Problem 2:

Problem 3:

Problem 4:

22. What can serve as indicators of success for this objective?

Describe the specific changes in stigma, discrimination and criminalization of PLWH and representatives of key populations that will prove the effectiveness of accomplishing this objective.

Change 1:

Change 2:

Change 3:

Change 4:

23. Objective 4 for the regional program is proposed as follows: "Strengthen communities' capacity to advocate for improving the efficiency of state funding allocated for HIV services, and to monitor the quality of services provided."

In your opinion, to what extent will the solution of this objective help to achieve the goal of the regional program? w

- It will help a lot.
- It will help partially.
- It will not help at all.

24. What are the problems in the effectiveness and accessibility of HIV prevention and support services that are most relevant to the community to which you belong or work for? (List no more than 4 major problems.)

Problem 1:

Problem 2:

Problem 3:

Problem 4:

25. What can serve as indicators of success for this objective?

Describe the specific changes in the availability of effective, innovative and low-threshold HIV prevention and support services for key populations that will prove the effectiveness of accomplishing this objective.

Change 1:

Change 2:

Change 3:

Change 4:

26. If you believe that some of or all of the proposed objectives will not help to achieve the declared goal of the Consortium's regional program, please indicate those objectives that will help to achieve the program goal more quickly and in full volume.

Block 4: Activities proposed for each of the objectives

The development process of the Consortium's regional program has just started. As of today, for each of the objectives, only a few activities have been proposed. The list of activities will expand. We ask you to suggest additional activities that you consider most effective for accomplishing this or that objective.

Activities for Objective 1

The development process of the Consortium's regional program has just started. As of today, for each of the objectives, only a few activities have been proposed. The list of activities will expand. We ask you to suggest additional activities that you consider most effective for accomplishing this or that objective.

Below are the activities proposed for work under Objective 1 "Advocate for increased domestic financing of evidence based and human rights-oriented HIV services for key populations".

Activity 1: Development of the methodology and instrument for assessing progress on the implementation of the transition plans in countries by efforts of civil society and communities.

Activity 2: Advocacy with officials and key stakeholders on national and municipal levels, including their involvement in the national, regional and international advocacy on KAPs.

Activity 3: Assessment of the existing funding for services targeted on KAPs.

Activity 4: Technical and financial support to enable organizations and groups of sex workers, MSM and people using drugs to organize meaningfully in national policy.

27. What other activities do you recommend to include in the work on this objective? Propose no more than 5 activities.

Activity 5 (your suggestion):

Activity 6 (your suggestion):

Activity 7 (your suggestion):

Activity 8 (your suggestion):

Activity 9 (your suggestion):

28. Please list the activities in terms of their importance for work on Objective 1.

Use the activity number, as it is indicated in the form for answer to the previous question.

Priority 1: (Activity №)

Priority 2: (Activity №)

Priority 3: (Activity №)

Priority 4: (Activity №)

Priority 5: (Activity №)

Priority 6: (Activity №)

Priority 7: (Activity №)

Priority 8: (Activity №)

Priority 9: (Activity №)

29. List the main risks and obstacles to work on Objective 1 in the EECA region in general and in your country in particular:

Risk 1:

Risk 2:

Risk 3:

Risk 4:

30. What are the best / most successful practices in the countries of the region, that you propose to take into account / use to effectively implement the suggested activities under Objective 1?

Please name the best practice and indicate the contact person and his / her e-mail so that we can request detailed information about the best practices that you suggest.

Practice 1:

Practice 2:

Practice 3:

Practice 4:

Practice 5:

31. Which organizations, public / expert groups / platforms / councils and what experts do you recommend to involve in the implementation of activities under Objective 1?

Please write the names of the organizations / groups / platforms / councils, expert names and e-mails for each organization, each expert, so that we can contact them in the future.

Organization 1:

Organization 2:

Organization 3:

Organization 4:

Organization 5:

Organization 6:

Organization 7:

Activities for Objective 2

Below are the activities proposed for work under Objective 2 "Strengthen mechanisms for meaningful participation of communities' in the monitoring of HIV prevention and treatment commodities procurement and in advocacy for price reduction".

Activity 1: Training of activists and community representatives to actively participate in the advocacy of reducing the prices of drugs for HIV, tuberculosis and hepatitis B and C.

Activity 2: Financial support to strengthen and develop existing regional and national community platforms working to reduce prices and expand access to drugs for HIV, tuberculosis and hepatitis B and C.

Activity 3: Preparation and implementation of regional advocacy initiatives aimed at promoting of WHO recommendations on HIV treatment and prevention.

32. What other activities do you recommend to include in the work on this objective? Propose no more than 5 activities.

Activity 4 (your suggestion):

Activity 5 (your suggestion):

Activity 6 (your suggestion):

Activity 7 (your suggestion):

Activity 8 (your suggestion):

33. Please list the activities in terms of their importance for work on Objective 2.

Use the activity number, as it is indicated in the form for answer to the previous question.

Priority 1: (Activity No)

Priority 2: (Activity No)

Priority 3: (Activity No)

Priority 4: (Activity No)

Priority 5: (Activity No)

Priority 6: (Activity No)

Priority 7: (Activity No)

Priority 8: (Activity No)

34. List the main risks and obstacles to work on Objective 2 in the EECA region in general and in your country in particular:

Risk 1:

Risk 2:

Risk 3:

Risk 4:

35. What are the best / most successful practices in the countries of the region, that you propose to take into account / use to effectively implement the suggested activities under Objective 2?

Please name the best practice and indicate the contact person and his / her e-mail so that we can request detailed information about the best practices that you suggest.

Practice 1:

Practice 2:

Practice 3:

Practice 4:

Practice 5:

36. Which organizations, public / expert groups / platforms / councils and what experts do you recommend to involve in the implementation of activities under Objective 2?

Please write the names of the organizations / groups / platforms / councils, expert names and e-mails for each organization, each expert, so that we can contact them in the future.

Organization 1:

Organization 2:

Organization 3:

Organization 4:

Organization 5:

Organization 6:

Organization 7:

Activities for Objective 3

Below are the activities proposed for work under Objective 3 "Increase communities' effectiveness in overcoming legal barriers in accessing HIV services and addressing human rights of key populations".

Activity 1: Developing/adapting and piloting effective, simple and inexpensive tools that can be used by the communities of PWID, MSM and sex workers for human rights monitoring & analysis and follow-up advocacy.

Activity 2: Preparation of shadow and other reports by representatives of civil society and communities for relevant international structures responsible for overseeing the implementation of countries' international obligations in the field of health and human rights protection.

Activity 3: Small grants for CBOs for the implementation of the activities focused on overcoming the legal barriers being planned by the national community forums (advocacy activities, not services) (national level).

Activity 4: Creation of a regional framework common to all communities for assessing discrimination, which will allow to compare the situation in the countries of the region and annually track changes across countries; (regional but also data collection on the country level.

37. What other activities do you recommend to include in the work on this objective? Propose no more than 5 activities.

Activity 5 (your suggestion):

Activity 6 (your suggestion):

Activity 7 (your suggestion):

Activity 8 (your suggestion):

Activity 9 (your suggestion):

38. Please list the activities in terms of their importance for work on Objective 3.

Use the activity number, as it is indicated in the form for answer to the previous question.

Priority 1: (Activity №)

Priority 2: (Activity №)

Priority 3: (Activity №)

Priority 4: (Activity №)

Priority 5: (Activity №)

Priority 6: (Activity №)

Priority 7: (Activity №)

Priority 8: (Activity №)

Priority 9: (Activity №)

39. List the main risks and obstacles to work on Objective 3 in the EECA region in general and in your country in particular:

Risk 1:

Risk 2:

Risk 3:

Risk 4:

40. What are the best / most successful practices in the countries of the region, that you propose to take into account / use to effectively implement the suggested activities under Objective 3?

Please name the best practice and indicate the contact person and his / her e-mail so that we can request detailed information about the best practices that you suggest.

Practice 1:

Practice 2:

Practice 3:

Practice 4:

Practice 5:

41. Which organizations, public / expert groups / platforms / councils and what experts do you recommend to involve in the implementation of activities under Objective 3?

Please write the names of the organizations / groups / platforms / councils, expert names and e-mails for each organization, each expert, so that we can contact them in the future.

Organization 1:

Organization 2:

Organization 3:

Organization 4:

Organization 5:

Organization 6:

Organization 7:

Activities for Objective 4

Below are the activities proposed for work under Objective 4 "Strengthen communities' capacity to advocate for improving the efficiency of state funding allocated for HIV services, and to monitor the quality of services provided."

Activity 1: Renewal of the Rapid Assessment and Response (RAR) system as a pledge of successful service planning for key groups in changing epidemiological settings.

Activity 2: Technical support for the introduction of "new effective modalities" (diversion from arrest, services for new drug users, self-testing, linkages with treatment, PrEP for MSM and sex workers, SRHR, specific needs of women, GBV, etc.) to increase impact of programs on the HIV epidemic among key populations.

Activity 3: Development and implementation of the advocacy strategies to ensure the

piloting\introduction on a country level of "new effective modalities" (diversion from arrest, services for new drug users, self-testing, linkages with treatment, PrEP for MSM and sex workers, SRHR, specific needs of women, GBV, etc.) which were not previously considered by the government.

Activity 4: Transgender population size estimation in those countries covered by project activities.

42. What other activities do you recommend to include in the work on this objective? Propose no more than 5 activities.

Activity 5 (your suggestion):

Activity 6 (your suggestion):

Activity 7 (your suggestion):

Activity 8 (your suggestion):

Activity 9 (your suggestion):

43. Please list the activities in terms of their importance for work on Objective 4.

Use the activity number, as it is indicated in the form for answer to the previous question.

Priority 1: (Activity No)

Priority 2: (Activity No)

Priority 3: (Activity No)

Priority 4: (Activity No)

Priority 5: (Activity No)

Priority 6: (Activity No)

Priority 7: (Activity No)

Priority 8: (Activity No)

Priority 9: (Activity No)

44. List the main risks and obstacles to work on Objective 4 in the EECA region in general and in your country in particular:

Risk 1:

Risk 2:

Risk 3:

Risk 4:

45. What are the best / most successful practices in the countries of the region, that you propose to take into account / use to effectively implement the suggested activities under Objective 4?

Please name the best practice and indicate the contact person and his / her e-mail so that we can request detailed information about the best practices that you suggest.

Practice 1:

Practice 2:

Practice 3:

Practice 4:

Practice 5:

46. Which organizations, public / expert groups / platforms / councils and what experts do you recommend to involve in the implementation of activities under Objective 4?

Please write the names of the organizations / groups / platforms / councils, expert names and e-mails for each organization, each expert, so that we can contact them in the future.

Organization 1:

Organization 2:

Organization 3:

Organization 4:

Organization 5:

Organization 6:

Organization 7:

Block 5: Partners and communications

47. With which national and regional projects and programs will it be necessary to coordinate this regional program and why?

Indicate the name of the project / program, the organization of the performer, the contact person and his / her e-mail for communication, and indicate the reason for the need to coordinate with the specified project or program.

Organization / project 1:

Organization / project 2:

Organization / project 3:

Organization / project 4:

Organization / project 5:

Organization / project 6:

Organization / project 7:

48. Which of the government and / or municipal officials in your country (the countries in which you work) can provide any support in implementing the activities of this regional program at the national and / or regional level?

Please indicate the name and surname of the official(-s), government agency and his / her position.

Official 1:

Official 2:

Official 3:

Official 4:

Official 5:

Official 6:

Official 7:

49. How will you prefer to receive information about the regional program development? (mark 2 most appropriate answers)

- existing websites of consortium members
- it is better to make a special website for the program
- existing electronic mailings of consortium members
- it is better to make a separate newsletter for the program
- Facebook and VKontakte pages of consortium members
- it is better to make a separate page for regional program in Facebook and VKontakte
- other (please specify)

What would you like to know about the new program firstly?

50. Here you can write any suggestions and comments that you would like to make in addition to your answers to the questionnaire.

