

TECHNICAL SUPPORT, FUNDING AND CAPACITY BUILDING: CURRENT OPPORTUNITIES DIGEST #10



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Regional Platform-EECA functions as a **knowledge and information exchange platform** among all stakeholders of the HIV and TB responses in EECA. Thus, we gather all important messages and announcements for and from NGOs, community networks and KP initiative groups and comprehensively inform them about all current opportunities. Send us your information and we will add it to our next digest!

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Financial support for LGBTQI Communities Worldwide

The Astraea Lesbian Foundation for Justice is inviting applicants for its International Fund with an aim to support groups led by LGBTQI communities working for progressive social change, addressing oppression based on sexual orientation and/or gender identity and expression, and advancing work for racial, economic and gender justice.

The fund provides flexible support grants ranging **from \$5,000 to \$30,000 per year**.

Deadline: to be considered for June 2017 cycle, submit an LOI by January 31, 2017.

To apply for this funding opportunity, you need to download, fill in and submit a LOI. You can download the LOI and find more details about this opportunity on <u>our website</u>



Grant: Addressing Priority Research Gaps in Paediatric HIV

The CIPHER Grant Programme is funding research projects to address critical questions related to emerging issues of growing up with HIV infection, or to address consequences of HIV or ARV perinatal exposure in HIV-uninfected children.

Deadline: 28 October 2016

Intended for: mentored early-stage investigators to advance paediatric HIV research and to fill critical knowledge gaps that impede paediatric HIV diagnosis, prevention, treatment and care in resource-limited settings.

Awards will be funded for **up to two years and for up to US\$75,000 each per year** (including direct research costs and applicable indirect costs).

Research Priorities: Clinical and operational research and implementation science

Applications are encouraged from any country, but preference, approximately 80%, will be given to applicants from low- and middle-income countries (LMICs).

More information is available here.



Grants from Foreign Embassies: what is available?

Foreign embassies under various development cooperation programs organize small grants funding for NGOs in many countries. We have collected information on several foreign embassies who you could try approaching in order to get funding for your organisation/a particular project, including the US Embassy, the British High Commission and several European embassies.

For more details please visit our website.



European Tuberculosis Research Initiative (ERI-TB) core group

The WHO Regional Office for Europe invites individual experts to apply for membership to the European Tuberculosis Research Initiative (ERITB) core group.

The ERI-TB core group is being established to provide expert input for ERI-TB work.

Deadline: Monday, 31 October 2016, at noon (CET).

Information about the ERI-TB and the requirements for becoming a member of the core group can be found <u>here</u>.



IREX Community Solutions Program (CSP) 2017-18: Addressing Issues related to Environment, Women and Gender

The International Research and Exchanges Board (IREX) is inviting applicants for its Community Solutions Program (CSP) 2017–2018 with an aim to improve their communities by addressing issues related to the environment, tolerance and conflict resolution, transparency and accountability, and women and gender.

Deadline: Friday, November 18, 2016, at 12 p.m. EST.

For 2017–2018, up to 100 community activists will be selected to participate in the program, which includes:

- Fellowship in the United States
- Community Leadership Institute
- Community-based initiatives

Applicants must be citizens of and living and working in one of the **eligible countries** (EECA: Albania, Bosnia-Herzegovina, Bulgaria, the Czech Republic, Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania, Macedonia, Moldova, Montenegro, Romania, Serbia, Slovakia, and Ukraine; Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, and Uzbekistan)

More information about the eligibility requirements and detailed application instructions can be found on our website.

HIV research scholarship program



The HIV Prevention Trials Network (HPTN) is offering a scholarship program for early-career investigators. The HPTN Scholars Program seeks to increase opportunities for scientists from groups underrepresented in HIV prevention research.

Current MD, PhD, and MBChB students may apply, along with individuals having already graduated with their terminal degree; applicants should desire to work with a mentor scientist in the Network to complete a research project based upon an existing HPTN research study.

Deadlines: Initial proposal drafts are due 18 November 2016. Full applications due 2 December 2016.

For more information, please visit our website.



HIV Research Trust Scholarships 2017

HIV Research Trust is seeking applications for its open competition for Scholarships 2017 from physicians, nurses, scientists and other healthcare professionals, in particular those who are in the early to midstage of their career, working in resource-poor settings from low-income and lower-middle-income countries.

All areas of research related to HIV are supported including laboratory methods, epidemiology, clinical and therapeutic research and research into psychological, social, nursing and other aspects of daily care of patients.

The maximum sum awarded is £8,000 or equivalent value.

The usual period of support is **2-6 months**.

Eligible Countries from EECA are Armenia, Kosovo, Kyrgyz Republic, Tajikistan, Moldova, Ukraine, Georgia and Uzbekistan.

More information is available here.



INFORMATION-CONSULTATION CENTRE within the Regional Platform-EECA

NEWLY ADDED RESOURCES

ADVOCACY

- ✓ <u>Budget advocacy</u>
- √ Advocacy and politicians
- ✓ Five Principles of Efficient Budget Advocacy by communities' efforts

THE GLOBAL FUND AND NFM

- ✓ New or current funding model of the GF: all you need to know
- ✓ Concept note: who prepares it, when and how and how can you take part in the process?

LATEST KEY DOCUMENTS

- √ WHO: Global TB report
- ✓ <u>Action plans on HIV and viral hepatitis in WHO European region</u>
- ✓ Gender assessment tool for national HIV and TB responses
- ✓ Consolidated guidelines on the use of ARV drugs for treating and preventing HIV infection: recommendations for a public health approach 2nd edition
- ✓ Progress report on gender equality and key population action plans form the Global Fund

✓ <u>Joint statement of 3 GF Board delegations at the 5th GF replenishment</u> meeting

PARTNERS EVENTS AND OPPORTUNITIES:

ECOM

Request for Proposals: Case Studies on Involvement of MSM and Trans* People in Global Fund Processes in EECA

Alliance for Public Health

Announcement of external recruitment to fill the post of Project Manager: HCV Treatment

EHRN

ToR for the trainer to develop and facilitate webinars according to Elearning tool "Police violence against women who use drugs"

Information from previous issues

The CRG Special Initiative has set aside a sum of money within the Short-term TA program to help EECA countries with Transition planning. Details available <u>here.</u>

BACKUP Health offers government and civil society partners to apply for Technical Support in order to improve their capacity and raise effectiveness of the Global Fund programs. The application documents / procedures have been altered. The deadline - prolonged to 31 December 2016. Details available here.

The Aids Fonds is seeking applications for its 2016 small grants program primarily concerning HIV/AIDS related issues. Details available <a href="https://example.com/here.com

Research grant opportunity for Sustained Release of Antivirals for Treatment or Prevention of HIV is open for applications until January 4, 2017. Please visit <u>our website</u> for more details.

You can access previous issues of our digest <u>here</u>.



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