

Eastern Europe & Central Asia Regional Civil Society & Community Support,  
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## Updates

### **Webinar: PILnet – Pro Bono Legal Support available for CSOs in Eastern Europe and Central Asia**



**Date & time:**

**24 September 2025, 15.00-16.00 Kyiv/ Vilnius time.**

**Registration is required!**

**Language:** ENG (without interpretation). Similar webinar in Russian will take place on 17.09. 11.00 Kyiv/ Vilnius time – more information is [available here](#).

PILnet collaborates with civil society organizations around the world to arrange free legal assistance from volunteer lawyers from top global firms who have the relevant skills and expertise to bolster their operational health and resilience and to advance their missions. PILnet's services are available to all public interest/social justice organizations, charities, social enterprises or community groups that are independent, nongovernmental and nonprofit in need of access to pro bono services.

The webinar will provide you with an opportunity to learn more about the PILnet, how CSOs in EECA, including those involved into implementation of the Global Fund' HIV and TB grants, can access free legal support and hear about the examples of already available resources.

More information on [EECA Platform website](#).

Register!

## #EndTB Webinar: Launch of the WHO policy on tuberculosis among populations at high risk and people in vulnerable situations

**Date & time:**

**10 September 2025, 12.30-14.00 CEST**

**Registration is required!**

The World Health Organization (WHO) is organizing a global webinar to launch the newly released [policy brief](#) on tuberculosis (TB) among populations at high risk and people in vulnerable situations - to advance efforts to reach all people at risk of TB.

The event is open to all stakeholders working to end TB and to ensure Universal Health Coverage for all people at risk of TB.

The webinar will highlight the disproportionate burden of TB among people who are socially and economically disadvantaged, marginalised or otherwise at high risk of developing TB. It will put a spotlight on the importance of ensuring universal access to TB services for these populations, share insights on the need to address stigma and discrimination which are barriers to accessing TB care, and highlight evidence-based interventions to improve access to people-centred TB services.

The webinar will provide an overview of the new WHO policy brief and will showcase experiences and examples of innovative approaches to reach all people at risk of TB, including for the most vulnerable.

Speakers will include WHO leadership, representatives from ministries of health, communities, civil society and regional organizations, as well as visionary thought leaders.



Register!

## Global Fund related news

### Strengthening the DCNGO constituency



## DEVELOPING COUNTRY NGO DELEGATION

GLOBAL FUND TO FIGHT AIDS, TB & MALARIA

The *Developing Country NGO (DCNGO) Delegation to the Global Fund's Board is seeking to strengthen its database of NGOs and partners in the Global South with whom it engages, consults, and shares updates.*

This will enhance Delegation's ability to build stronger connections with civil society across the regions represented in the Delegation.

The DCNGO Delegation is one of two civil society constituencies of the Global Fund Board, alongside the Developed Country NGO Delegation. There is also a Communities Delegation. Together, these three hold seats among the ten Implementer Group Board members, complementing the ten donor seats for a total of twenty voting members. The DCNGO Delegation contributes to the Board on behalf of its constituencies of non-governmental organisations (NGOs) in implementing countries and works to ensure that Global Fund policies and practices are continually responsive to the needs of people living with or affected by HIV, TB, and malaria, as well as the NGOs and community-based organisations (CBOs) providing essential services and support. You can read more about DCNGO Delegation on its [website](#).

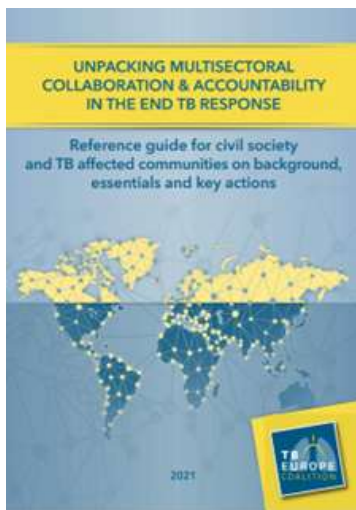
The aim of the Delegation is to connect with civil society organizations in countries and regions that share common challenges in accessing resources and influencing global health policies. Delegation welcomes broad participation from across what is often termed the "developing world"—a label being recognized as a product of outdated, neocolonial frameworks. Within this designation, however, the Delegation sees an opportunity: to create a space where all people feel heard and represented in this Delegation. As members of the Global South, Delegation embraces the power of self-identification, asserting the right to define ourselves in ways that reflect its realities, aspirations, and diverse experiences. If the Delegation has not reflected your region accurately, you are invited to express your suggestions on how to strengthen our collective presence.

*All information will remain confidential and will be used only by the DCNGO Delegation.*

Participate now!

## News from partners

**TBEC: Multisectoral collaboration and accountability in the end TB response: reference guide for civil society and TB affected communities**



To support civil society organizations and TB-affected communities in achieving more equitable, rights-based, gender-sensitive, and people-centered TB care through the development of **multisectoral accountability and collaboration**, the TB Europe Coalition published the reference guide **"Multisectoral Collaboration and Accountability in the End TB Response"** in 2021.

This resource aims to help civil society and TB-affected communities enhance their understanding of key policies, strategies, declarations, and commitments related to end TB. A deeper exploration of these guiding documents will enable stakeholders to analyze the context, develop optimal solutions, and formulate strong, evidence-based arguments for advocacy and engagement with decision-makers to ensure equitable, rights-based, and gender-sensitive TB prevention and treatment services.

The guide provides a detailed examination of the **WHO Multisectoral Accountability Framework for TB (MAF-TB)** as a key tool for **promoting cross-sectoral collaboration and accountability** in TB response efforts.

This publication was developed by TB Europe Coalition with the support of the Eurasian Harm Reduction Association (EHRA) within the Regional Platform's project for civil society and community support, coordination, and communication, with financial support from the Global Fund within its Strategic Initiative on Communities, Rights and Gender.

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