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Press Release: The Developed Country NGO Delegation to the Board of the Global Fund to Fight HIV, Tuberculosis and Malaria announces Beatrijs Stikkers as its new board member

The Developed Country NGO Delegation to the Global Fund to Fight HIV, Tuberculosis and Malaria Board are pleased to announce that Beatrijs Stikkers BA MPA has been selected as its new incoming board member. Ms. Stikkers is currently a delegation member and has served as Chair and Vice–Chair of the

Audit and Finance Committee (AFC), one of the board's three standing committees.

Ms. Stikkers assumed her two-year tenure after the end of the 48<sup>th</sup> board meeting of the Global Fund on Friday, November 18, 2022. She will work closely with Robin Montgomery, BA, MSc, the previous Board Member for the Delegation, and Vitaly Djuma, MPH, the current Alternate Board Member, to ensure a smooth leadership transition.



"I am absolutely thrilled to have such a passionate and committed individual like Beatrijs stepping into our board member role. This is a

critical time for communities and civil society in our rapidly evolving global health architecture and I'm confident that with Beatrijs's keen leadership, we will continue to help shape the history of the Global Fund and improve the health and well-being of the diverse communities shouldering the burden of the three diseases", said Robin Montgomery, out-going Board Member for the delegation.

"Beatrijs has proved an effective and strategic team player. With her immense knowledge of the Global Fund Board matters and implementing countries realities, I'm looking forward to further strengthening our Delegation's voice, said Vitaly Djuma.

With a background in development and private sector finance, Beatrijs Stikkers is a senior advisor in public affairs and board secretary at KNCV Tuberculosis Foundation. Beatrijs has been a member of the NGO Developed Country delegation since 2014. As a Tuberculosis and global health advocate at KNCV and a member of the Global Fund Advocates Network (GFAN), she has co-initiated global campaigns and Civil Society initiatives in the Netherlands and regionally. She has a Master of Public Affairs from the

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Princeton School of Public and International Affairs at Princeton University and a Bachelor in Sociology from Bates College.

'In the face of very tight resources within countries, the Developed Countries NGO Delegation is ever more committed to communities and civil society shaping and delivering reach and efficiencies within Global Fund grants,' said Beatrijs Stikkers. I am excited to bring the constituency's perspectives to the Board Table as the Partnership steps up for integrated community systems for health and a peoplecentred response.'

The Developed Country NGO Delegation is one of twenty voting delegations to the Global Fund Board. We play a critical role in the development and evolution of organizational strategy, the funding model, the work of the Secretariat and policy. Delegation members are representatives of civil society organizations based in countries not eligible for the Global Fund grants. For more details on our delegation, please visit our website, <u>www.developedngo.org</u> and on the Global Fund, please visit <u>www.theglobalfund.org</u>.