

GPZL Leadership Team Meeting
2 December 2021 | 13:00 - 14:30 CET

Participants

Leadership team members and guests

- Amar Timalina, President, International Association for Integration, Dignity and Economic Advancement (IDEA) Nepal
- Arielle Cavaliero, Global Franchise Lead, Leprosy, Novartis
- Benedict Quao, Program Manager, National Leprosy Elimination Program of Ghana
- Bill Simmons (Chair), President & CEO, American Leprosy Missions
- Deanna Hagge, Senior Research Advisor, The Leprosy Mission (TLM)
- Geoff Warne, CEO, International Federation of Anti-Leprosy Associations (ILEP)
- Linda Hummel, Chair of Executive Group, Leprosy Research Initiative (LRI)
- Mauricio Lisboa Nobre, Consultant to Brazilian Leprosy Programme
- Nienke Veldhuijzen, Technical Officer, Leprosy Research Initiative (LRI)
- Wim van Brakel, Chair, ILEP Technical Commission (ITC)

Secretariat

- Andie Tucker, Project Manager, Global Partnership for Zero Leprosy
- Bill Gallo, Secretariat Director, Global Partnership for Zero Leprosy
- Caroline Cassard, Communications Specialist, Global Partnership for Zero Leprosy
- Mondie Tharp, Project Manager, Global Partnership for Zero Leprosy

Invited but unable to attend

- Alice Cruz, UN Special Rapporteur
- Gangadhar Sunkara, Senior Global Program Clinical Head, Novartis
- Maarten van Cleeff, Former Director of Challenge TB project, KNCV
- Rao Pemmaraju, Technical Officer, WHO Global Leprosy Programme
- Roch Christian Johnson, President, International Leprosy Association
- Takahiro Nanri, Executive Director, Sasakawa Health Foundation

Summary of Key Decisions / Action Items

- **Decision** – The LT agrees to updates made to the charter, including reducing meetings to a quarterly basis and adding new positions to the LT.
- **Decision** – The LT agrees to the proposed 2022 work plan for research, country work, and resource mobilization and advocacy.
- **Action item** – Request for an appendix to the work plan that includes other items we will review, including indicators, implementation processes, and follow-up.

Meeting Agenda	
Presenter	Item
Bill Simmons	I. Welcome
Bill Gallo	II. Charter Updates
Bill Gallo Mondie Tharp Andie Tucker	III. 2022 Milestones: Proposed activities for GPZL workstreams: Research, Country Work, and Resource Mobilization and Advocacy
Bill Gallo Mondie Tharp Andie Tucker	IV. Seed Funding update <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Plan for 2021 seed funding ● Update on 2021 seed funding applicants
Bill Simmons	V. AOB
Meeting Notes	
Meeting Objective	Notes
Charter updates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Clarified responsibilities of LT members ● Steering Committee: At-large members will be self-nominated and elected by LT ● LT meetings: Meetings will now be held quarterly. The next LT meeting will take place in March 2022. ● New LT members: Two additional representatives from the community of people who have experienced leprosy, as well as two representatives from National Leprosy Programmes, will be added to the Leadership Team. Applicants will be self-nominated.
2022 Milestones	<p>Research</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● The third research workshop in the series will take place in Q1 of 2022. We will craft our protocols into fundable proposals and submit them to funders. We will continue convening the groups of researchers that are contributing to these protocols. ● Publication of the diagnostic TPP and identifying next steps for product development <p>Country Work</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Country Model implementation with current partners ● Country model implementation with 4 new country partners, and piloting of the self-guided zero leprosy model in an additional 1 to 2 countries

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Complete Zero Leprosy Country Model package and development of a country model package that can be used independently by countries ● Seed Funding appropriately implemented with 2021 pilot countries, and additional guidelines for future awarding refined. <p>Resource Mobilization and Advocacy</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Develop and implement resource mobilization and advocacy plan for GPZL and the global leprosy community. ● Develop and implement resource mobilization and advocacy strategy for the adoption and funding of the GPZL research agenda. ● Develop and implement resource mobilization and advocacy strategy for leprosy prevention and control activities at the country level ● Advocacy for GPZL tools and best practices through meetings, workshops and conferences ● Advocacy for leprosy progress and funding consideration among international governing bodies in health, government, and donor institutions ● Leadership and advocacy curriculum project (Swift Grant initiative)
Seed Funding	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Seed Funding Working Group convened 26 August, 16 September, and 6 October to discuss key questions related to seed funding policy and processes ● Input was compiled into three draft documents were created; distributed for input; final versions made ● A country information document and application template were shared two weeks ago with country partners that have undergone action planning in 2021 ● Three countries have completed action planning and plan to apply: Nepal, Ghana, and Mozambique.
Key Upcoming Dates	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Next LT meeting: March 2022 ● Second research workshop: 6 - 9 December 2021 	