



GENEVA'S INCEPTION LETTER

We, Ministers of Health and senior officials of Brazil, European Union, France, Germany, Indonesia, Russia, South Africa, Türkiye and United Kingdom,

1. Reaffirm that all human beings have the right to enjoy the highest attainable standard of physical and mental health,
2. Bear in mind that promoting equitable access to health entails strengthening health systems and reducing the impact of social, economic, and environmental determinants on health,
3. Recognize that the COVID-19 pandemic has revealed the unequal development and distribution of science, innovation, local and regional production, and access to health technologies and medical countermeasures. This disparity has negatively impacted access to healthcare and the ability to respond effectively to diseases that disproportionately affect persons in vulnerable situations. These challenges highlight the urgent need to foster science, innovation, and production capacities in a geographically diversified and equitable manner,
4. Recall that neglected diseases affect over 1 billion people worldwide, including 500 million children, posing significant public health concerns,
5. Conscious of the need to mobilize collective action and enhance synergies with existing and potential future efforts and funding channels to develop and strengthen local and regional production and

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innovation, especially in Low and Middle Income Countries (LMICs) and other developing countries, and underscoring the importance of public-private partnership, knowledge-sharing, and voluntary technology transfer on mutually-agreed terms,

6. Hereby establish the Global Coalition for Local and Regional Production, Innovation and Equitable Access (hereinafter called the Coalition) centered on voluntary cooperation to promote access to vaccines, therapeutics and diagnostics, and other health technologies for neglected diseases and persons in vulnerable situations, which also could be repurposed for other diseases and health emergencies if necessary, whilst fostering collaboration with and avoiding duplication with multilateral and other relevant initiatives,

WORK

7. The Coalition will work towards strengthening the local and regional manufacturing capacities for health products and promoting sustainable global production and innovation networks to facilitate better access to vaccines, therapeutics and diagnostics products, for neglected diseases and persons in vulnerable situations globally, especially in LMICs and other developing countries,

8. The Coalition is intended to identify and execute concrete projects considering local and regional production, innovation and equitable access, starting with two or three projects to be executed in the first stage of its implementation, based on strategic relevance and national priorities, through a learning by doing approach. This approach could include technical cooperation, advanced market commitments, voluntary technology transfer on mutually agreed terms, existing funding sources and regulatory cooperation and strengthening, and developing regional environments that stimulate investments, in

collaboration with scientific and technical institutions capable of contributing to regulatory science, clinical trials, and innovation, such as national research agencies and health institutes,

9. The Coalition's projects will be based on voluntary cooperation, and operate consistent with international law and domestic legislation, including on intellectual property. The Coalition's Terms of Reference, to be agreed on in writing, will address methods of cooperation, periodic evaluation of the Coalition's work and rules of use for confidential information,

MEMBERS

10. The Coalition is composed on a voluntary basis by G20 Members, as well as non G20 countries and relevant international organizations that contribute to its objectives,

11. Non G20 members and international and other organizations may join it, subject to prior approval of the Coalition's members,

12. The World Health Organization (WHO) is invited to contribute to the Coalition by providing scientific and technical support, within available resources,

GOVERNANCE

13. The governance structure of the Coalition is composed by a Steering Committee, an Advisory Committee and an Executive Secretariat based on partnerships and coordination with relevant actors and initiatives. Member institutions with relevant technical mandates may be invited to participate in governance bodies or projects,

14. Brazil will serve as the Executive Secretariat; and as the Presidency of the Coalition for the first two years following its creation,

15. Thereafter, the Presidency of the Coalition should be on a rotational basis as decided by the Coalition's membership,

16. The G20 Presidency could be invited to participate in governance bodies to maintain a link with the G20 Health Working Group,

FINANCING

17. The Coalition will be based on voluntary funding without creating new financing instruments and with no mandatory or fixed contribution from the Coalition members or other institutions involved,

18. The Coalition will adopt a process for future accessions by countries and by international and other organizations, and the criteria and priorities for selecting projects to be executed, allowing members to participate in selected initiatives that align with their national health strategies and resource capacities. It will also detail the work of its governance bodies,

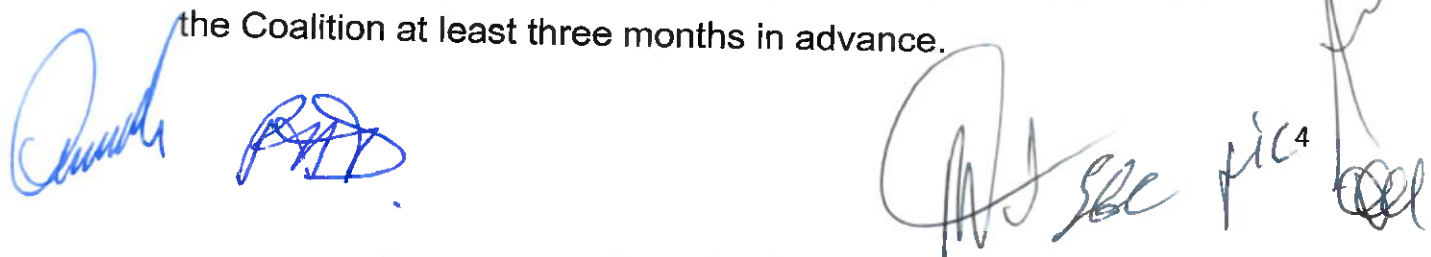
PROCEDURAL MATTERS

19. The Coalition's members may, by agreement in writing, enter into supplementary arrangements within the scope of this Letter, or amend any paragraph contained herein,

20. This document does not nor is intended to create any legally binding rights or obligations under international or domestic law,

21. Any dispute that may arise from the interpretation or application of the paragraphs of this Letter will be settled by consultations between the Coalition members,

22. This Letter comes into effect on the date of its signature and remains in effect indefinitely. Each Coalition member may withdraw from the Coalition by duly informing in writing the other members of the Coalition at least three months in advance.



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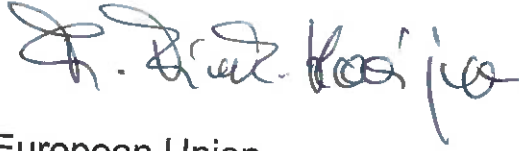
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