## EDCTP perspective on biopreparedness and related capacity development in Africa

Consultation workshop on Preparedness for emerging diseases



European & Developing Countries Clinical Trials Partnership

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EDCTP public-public partnership

#### **14 European Countries**

Austria, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Ireland, Italy, Luxembourg, Netherlands, Norway, Portugal, Spain, Sweden and United Kingdom

### **1 Aspirant Member**

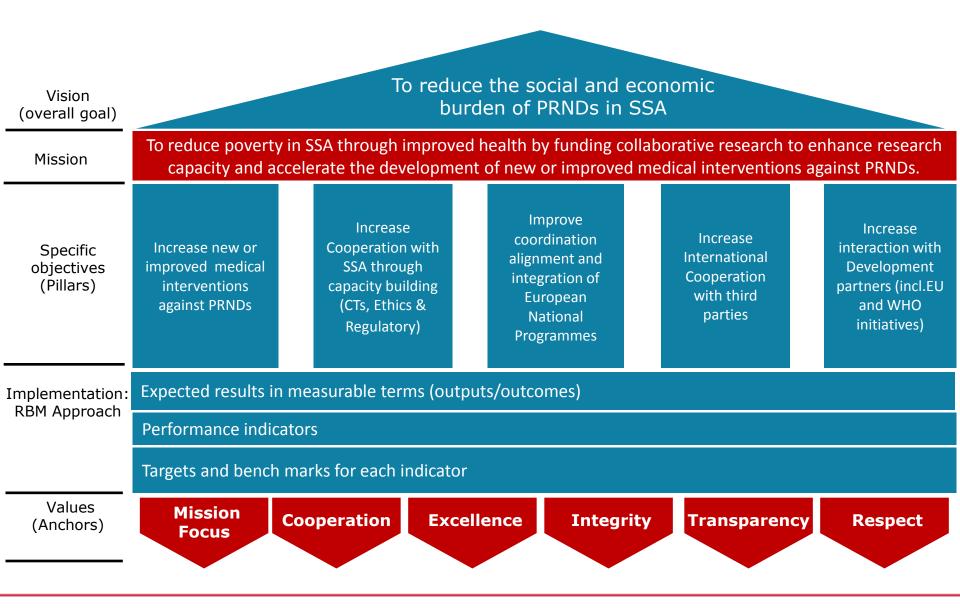
Switzerland

#### **14 African Countries**

Burkina Faso, Cameroon, Rep of Congo, Gabon, Ghana, Mali, Mozambique, Niger, Senegal, South Africa, Tanzania, The Gambia, Uganda, Zambia



## **EDCTP Business model**



## Key features of EDCTP

- We have been established as a flagship European–Africa partnership and recognised international funder on clinical research for PRNIDs
- EDCTP operates as a true 'partnership of equals' between North and South, with input from African countries at all levels
- We are enhancing the capacity of sub-Saharan Africa countries to conduct clinical studies
- The EDCTP2 programme encompasses target populations often excluded from clinical studies but with major unmet medical needs
- Expansion of EDCTP2 to cover implementation research on delivery and uptake of medical research makes its work even more relevant to health services in sub-Saharan Africa countries
- We focus on **clinical challenges and policy-relevant questions**, ensuring the results of research feed directly into national and international policy-making
- We are committed to **working with like-minded partners**, to take advantage of the platform established for high-quality research.

## EDCTP target diseases

- HIV, tuberculosis, malaria
- Neglected infectious diseases

Buruli ulcer; cysticercosis/taeniasis; dengue; dracunculiasis; echinococcosis; foodborne trematodiases; Hansen disease; human African trypanosomiasis; leishmaniasis; lymphatic filariasis; mycetoma; onchocerciasis; rabies; schistosomiasis; soiltransmitted helminthiases; trachoma; yaws

- Diarrhoeal diseases
- Lower respiratory tract infections
- Emerging and re-emerging infectious diseases of particular relevance for Africa, such as Ebola virus disease and yellow fever.

## Clinical studies supported by EDCTP

Human **Therapeutic Therapeutic** Therapeutic use **Pharmacology Exploratory** confirmatory **Discovery & Implementation Phase I Phase II Phase III Phase IV Pre-clinical** research research

#### **Clinical trials**

Safety and or efficacy of investigational medicinal product

product formulation, dosing recommendations

Clinical trial on specific populations

Biomarkers, Pharmacogenomics Low interventional clinical trials

ICH Topic E 8 General Considerations for Clinical Trials
EU regulation No 536/2014 –whereas 3 & 9- article 2 Research Methods & Reporting - BMJ 2008 Vol 337
Hybrid designs - Med Care 2012 50 (3): 217-226

Effectiveness Comparing medical intervention strategies

Optimizing the use of existing intervention

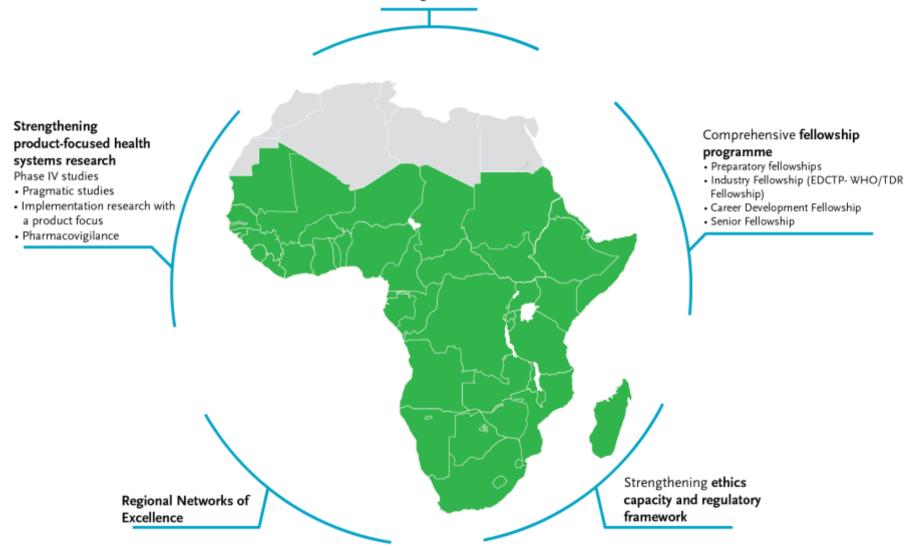
Diagnostics test validation

**Pragmatic studies** 

**Product focused implementation research** 

# EDCTP strategy for capacity development site preparation for

Site preparation for conducting clinical research



## Overall EDCTP funding approach for sustainable research



## EDCTP Call: "Research and clinical management of patients in PRD epidemics in sub-Saharan Africa"

Background and Scope

#### **Background**

Countries in sub-Saharan Africa have weak health systems, inadequate resources, and poor capacity to identify and respond quickly and effectively to disease outbreaks.

#### Scope

The "EDCTP PRD Epidemics Call" aims to support the establishment of a multidisciplinary consortium able to provide accelerated evidence for the optimal clinical management of patients and for guiding the public health response to any severe infectious outbreak caused by pathogens within the scope of the EDCTP programme with pandemic potential or that may cause significant damage to health and socio-economics in Africa (including antimicrobial-resistant pathogens).

### The EDCTP PRD Epidemics Call

#### Budget and timelines

#### **Budget**

Total Call Budget: 10 Million €

Maximum budget per grant: 10 Million €

1 Consortium will be funded

#### **Timelines**

Stage 1 Launch: 7 July 2016

Stage 1 Closing: 29 September 2016

Stage 2 Opening: 22 December 2016

Stage 2 Closing: 2 March 2016.

## The EDCTP PRD Epidemics Call

**Expected impact** 

#### The consortium is expected:

- ➤ To **collaborate with similar initiatives** at national, regional, European and international level (e.g. PREPARE, ISARIC, EDCTP regional networks of excellence)
- ➤ To carry out a project aiming at **ensuring preparedness** to perform largescale multi-site **clinical studies** (in response to an emerging threat) which include:
  - Evaluation of potential preventive or therapeutic interventions
  - Validation of diagnostic devices
  - Establishment of disease natural history and determinants of disease severity
- ➤ To establish standardised protocols, definitions, and strategies for the optimal clinical management of patients in any severe infectious outbreak.

### **EDCTP2** Ebola projects

CSA-Ebola-360

Building research capacity for infectious diseases in Sierra Leone

CSA-Ebola-353

Capacity for phase 1 trials in Uganda

CSA-Ebola-334

Strengthening
Laboratory Capacities
for Clinical Trials on
infectious diseases in
Liberia

€1.7m

CSA-Ebola-337

Enhancing outbreak response capacity in Northern Uganda

CSA-Ebola-363

Vaccine trials and Ebola virus control

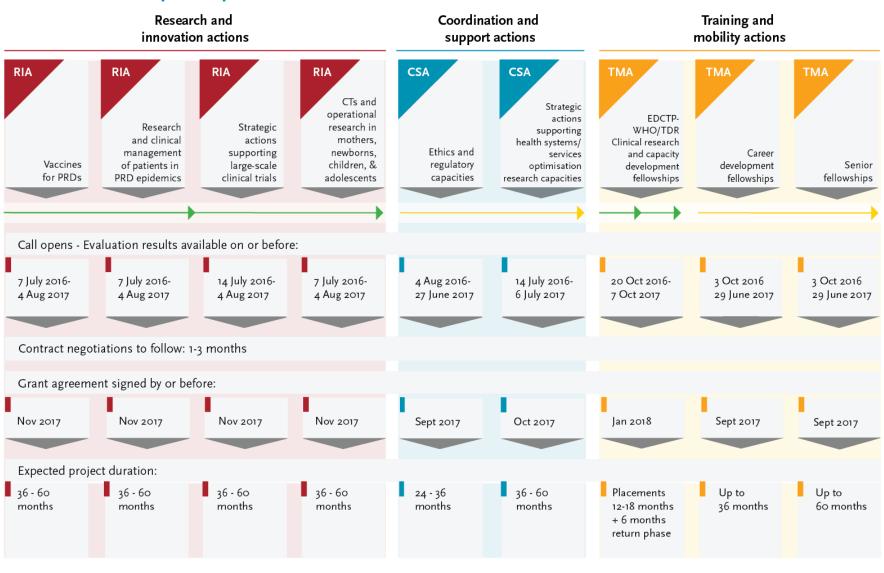
CSA-Ebola-355

Institutional capacity for health research in Sierra Leone

CSA-Ebola-339

Affects, perceptions and understandings of the response to Guinea's Ebola Virus epidemic

## Calls for proposals 2016



One-stage application procedure

Two-stage application procedure



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