BRAINSTORMING MEETING

2ND APRIL 2024-CHIANG MAI Other funding opportunities

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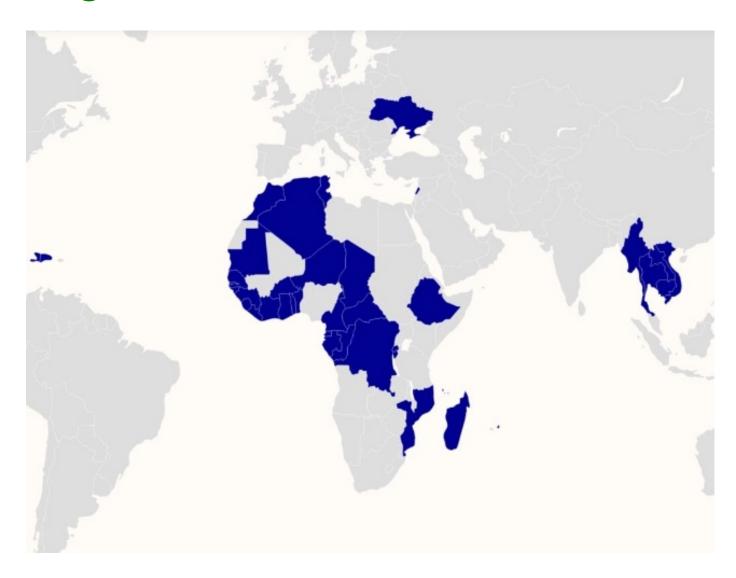
L'initiative's ecosystem and governance

- Complementary to the Global Fund
- ► Financed by the French Ministry for Europe and Foreign Affairs
- ► Run by Expertise France
- Guided by a Steering Committee that includes the Ministries of Health and Prevention, Europe and Foreign Affairs, Agence Française pour le Développement, representatives of French public health research bodies, and members of civil society
- ► Strengthened by coordination with other institutions providing international technical assistance (WHO, <u>UNAIDS</u>, the <u>RBM Partnership to End Malaria</u>, <u>Stop TB Partnership</u>), ANRS | Emerging Infectious Diseases, IRD, foundations, NGOs, and public sector bodies).





Eligible countries







The ONE HEALTH APPROACH is now in their agenda



Providing technical assistance.

We call on experts, most often local or regional experts, to facilitate access to Global Fund resources and to increase countries' long-term capacity to fight pandemics.



Funding development projects.

We support projects that aim to strengthen healthcare systems, assist the most vulnerable, conduct operational research, and mobilize local skills.



Supporting neglected challenges.

We support the public sector and civil society to develop innovative approaches in response to under-invested issues (such as human resources for health) and to drive changes in public policies and practices.

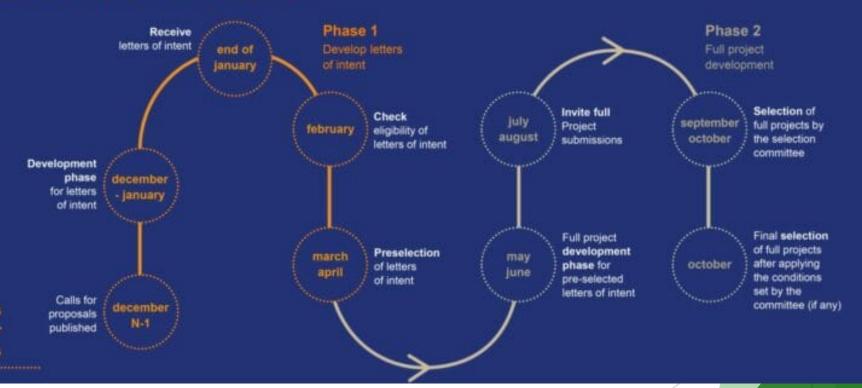




HOW DO CALLS FOR PROPOSALS WORK?

Selected through calls for projects, the proposals funded by L'Initiative are intervention activities or operational research contributing to making the fight against pandemics more effectient, by allowing evolution in public policies or practices.

Call for proposals process for intervention projects





FEF-R/ FEF (Fonds Equipe France- Rapide) Financing body: French Ministry for Europe and Foreign Affairs

- ► FEF-R: 3 calls per year (max €100,000 per project)
- ► First call for projects by Friday 16 February 2024 !!! (delegation of funds in April)
- Second AAP around mid-April (delegation of funds in June)
- ► Third call for proposals towards the end of August (delegation of funds in October/November)
- ► FEF: 2 calls per year (max €1,000,000 for 2 years)
- ► First call for proposals around **June 2024** and a committee meeting in September 2024 for the delegation of funds at the beginning of 2025;
- ➤ Second call for proposals on the "classic" timetable submission of projects at the end of **November 2024**, committee in February 2025 and delegation in March/April 2025.





The Pandemic Fund

- ► The Pandemic Fund provides a dedicated stream of additional, long-term financing to strengthen critical pandemic prevention, preparedness, and response capabilities in low-and middle-income countries through investments and technical support at the national, regional, and global levels.
- ► The Pandemic Fund has <u>opened its second Call for Proposals (CfP) on December 22, 2023</u> and is inviting interested Eligible Countries, Regional Entities, and Implementing Entities to develop full proposals for potential projects. The <u>online application portal</u> is now open and will be **closed on May 17, 2024.**
- ► Envelope of US\$ 500 million. Further rounds (3rd and 4th) will likely be launched in 2024-2025
- ▶ Priority on: 1) early warning and disease surveillance systems, 2) laboratory systems, and 3) strengthening human resources/public health and community workforce capacity

Implementing entities



The Pandemic Fund channels its financing through **Implementing Entities**

- Asian Development Bank;
- Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank;
- Inter-American Development Bank;
- International Finance Corporation;
- World Bank;
- ► Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations;
- UNICEF;
- World Health Organization;
- the Coalition for Epidemic Preparedness Innovations;
- ► Gavi, the Vaccine Alliance; and the Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria.

Types of proposals accepted



There are three types of proposals that will be accepted, which include:

- ► Single-country proposal
- ► Multi-country proposal

Regional Entity proposal



Lao PDR is **not** applying for the Pandemic Fund this year

- ► Meeting with the Department of Planning and Finances of the Lao Ministry of Health last week
- ► Competing priorities at the moment
- ► Need more coordination mechanisms + a lead department within the MoH first, before MoH reaches out to the animal sector and other sectors: not manageable within the timeline





Positioning of the IRD in the AMI [ANR France 2030] "SHS research programmes"

▶ draft of the letter of intent by Friday 19 April to d2s@ird.fr and presidente-directricegenerale@ird.fr





- Only universities to lead with the support of a consortium of institutions
- ▶ IRD can be member of the consortium
- ► Responsibilities: taking part in governance, etc., but also support one or more workpackages and benefit from financial payments
- NROs can also be partners without necessarily taking part in the consortium
- ▶ The applications are based on a thematic rationale and not on a site rationale
- Teams from "hard" sciences may be involved, but funding must go to SHS teams
- ▶ No second call if first is successful.

Thank you for your attention!

- https://anr.fr/fr/france-2030/france2030/call/programmes-de-recherche-en-sciences-humaines-et-sociales-appel-a-manifestation-dinteret-2024/
- https://www.thepandemicfund.org/call-for-proposals
- https://linitiative.expertisefrance.fr