

**RBM Harmonization Working Group: Adopted Membership Criteria and Membership
(12 RBM Board Meeting, May 2007)**

The membership of the Harmonization Working Group (HWG) will be drawn from a variety of institutions and will represent a broad range of partners directly involved in the financing, technical support, and implementation of malaria control programs.

The permanent membership of the HWG will include lead technical, implementation, and financing institutions from constituencies with representation on the RBM Board. RBM Board Members representing a constituency will propose members of that constituency to serve on the HWG for a period of no less than two years. Substitution of members will require discussion and endorsement of the Working Group. Co-chairs will be elected for 2-year terms, renewable and will be personally, not institutionally appointed.

The RBM Secretariat will serve as Secretariat and convener of the HWG and will be responsible for communication with members. Depending on the objectives of a particular meeting or subject matter to be discussed, outside consultants or experts may be invited (“co-opted”) on a temporary basis. Some members may be appointed to serve in an observer capacity, especially if subject matter that is or could be perceived as to be a conflict of interest is discussed (e.g. technical support needs, upcoming procurements, etc). Steering Committees and Task Forces may be formed with the agreement (vote if needed) of the broader Working Group. Membership/additions to Steering Committees and/or Task Forces also require agreement (vote if needed) of the broader Working Group.

All members are expected to participate actively in the HWG and should have the capacity to influence policy and programming decisions in their respective organizations and to regularly communicate with and represent the interests of their constituencies.

Members may be drawn from the following organizations, networks and constituencies.

	Number of representatives	Representative (if constituency)
Malaria Endemic Countries	3	To be determined
WHO (HQ and Regional)	3	Sergio Spinaci, Valentina Buj, and George Ki-Zerbo
UNICEF	1	Melanie Renshaw (Co-chair, elected November 2006)
World Bank	1	Suprotik Basu (Co-chair, elected November 2006)
UNDP	1	Sandi Lwin
Bilateral Donors	2	Trent Ruebush, Rob Newman
Global Fund	1	Mabingue Ngom
RBM subregional networks	4	Claude Rwagacondo + TBD
NGOs	3	Rick Steketee (MACEPA), Matt Lynch (VOICES), Kate Campana (Malaria No More), TBD
Foundations	2	Kevin Starace (UN Foundation), Gates Foundation

Private Sector	2	To be confirmed by constituency
Academic institutions engaged in implementation research/work	2	Awash Teklehaimanot (Columbia University Earth Institute/Millennium Project); Bill Brieger (Johns Hopkins University School of Public Health)
Representatives of other active RBM Working Groups (MERG, MAWG, MIP, PSM)	4 (adjusted as needed)	Juliana Yartey (Chair, MIP); Louis da Gama (Member, MAWG); Rick Steketee (co-chair, MERG); Rima Shretta (co-chair, PSM); Don de Savigny (Chair, WIN)

The Secretariat Focal Point for the Working Group is James J. Banda (Team Leader, Partnership Facilitation).