

REPORT OF THE 16th BOARD MEETING

The 16th Meeting of the GCERF Governing Board (the Board) of the Global Community Engagement and Resilience Fund (GCERF) was held 14-16 June 2022 in Tirana, Albania, and featured a high-level visit with GCERF grantees and Albanian government as well as a high-level conference on rehabilitation and reintegration (R&R Conference); it included full hybrid capabilities for Board Members unable to travel in person. The approved agenda for the 16th Meeting of the Governing Board is contained in Annex 1 and the participant list in Annex 2 of this report.

1. WELCOMING REMARKS

1.1 The Chair of the Board opened the meeting and thanked all for joining. He provided feedback on the high-level R&R conference, restating the need to continue supporting the region and learn lessons from the experience gained in rehabilitating returnees.

2. PRELIMINARY MATTERS

Appointment of the Rapporteur

2.1 The Chair requested that the Board appoint a rapporteur for the meeting. Mr Jesper Pedersen, European Union, kindly agreed to take the role.

2.2 The Board took the following decision:

BM.16/DEC.01: Mr Jesper Pedersen of the European Union, France, Denmark and Italy constituency is appointed as the Rapporteur of the 16th Board meeting.

Approval of the Agenda

2.3 The Chair introduced the agenda (BM.16/DOC.01), distributed to the Board in advance of the meeting, for any final comments and approval.

2.4 The Board took the following decision:

BM.16/DEC.02: The agenda for the 16th Board meeting (BM.16/DOC.01) is approved.

Confirmation of new Board Members

2.5 The Chair welcomed new Board Members and representatives at the meeting. He also welcomed Observers from the G5 Sahel, Qatar Fund for Development, South Korea, Sri Lanka, and UNDP.

2.6 The Board took the following decision:

BM.16/DEC.03: The Board notes the following change in its membership (each without signatory authority) since the 15th Board meeting:

- **Australia, Japan and New Zealand:** Mr Tetsuya Yamada replaces Mr Chitaru Shimizu as the Alternate Board Member;
- **Canada and United Kingdom:** Ambassador Hemangini Kotecha replaces Ambassador Miriam Shearman as the Board Member;
- **European Union, France, Denmark and Italy:** Ms Jeanne Laterrade replaces Mr Adrien Frier as the Alternate Board member.

3. REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

3.1 The Chair invited the Executive Director (ED), Dr Khalid Koser, to present his report (BM.16/DOC.02) and welcomed participation from the Board.

3.2 The ED thanked all for coming to the meeting, especially those that arrived in person to attend the high-level visit in Tirana.

3.3 The ED began with three key points: (i) an update on the Secretariat; (ii) key highlights from the Board papers; and (iii) the replenishment campaign, which culminates in September 2022.

3.4 The ED introduced the Secretariat in the room and gave an update on GCERF's staff based in Geneva and around the world, who watch the meeting live remotely. He offered a special thanks to the Western Balkans regional team for their hard work on the programme for the Tirana high-level visit and strong programme coordination; he also noted the clear value of National Advisors, and in the case of the Western Balkans, the Regional Advisor, as coordinators between all stakeholders. The ED provided an overview of the demographics of the staff, including acknowledging that the organisation's status as a Swiss international organisation allows it to hire strong candidates quickly from around the world. Finally, he noted the inclusion of GCERF's Diversity, Equity and Inclusion (DEI) Strategy as an annex to the ED report, offering a transparent overview of challenges identified and responsive actions.

3.5 The ED offered a brief overview of the agenda, explaining the addition of discussion sessions on Day 2 to allow for strategic, substantial discussions on timely topics.

3.6 The ED described the highlighted of the Portfolio paper and the Results paper. He stressed the value that donor visits to programme countries offer, allowing donors direct insights into programming and allow them to better advocate for funding for GCERF with their departments. He reflected on the high-level visit in Tirana; the morning session spoke to the strong dynamic that has evolved between the Albanian government, Albanian civil society and GCERF; he stressed the importance of sharing lessons learned and his desire to continue and increase this going forward; and he applauded the innovation of the Western Balkans approach to rehabilitation and reintegration. The high-level visit offered insights into just three of GCERF's 36 global grants.

3.7 Finally, the ED showed two videos: a private sector partnership in Nigeria for digital skills training and the replenishment campaign video. On the latter, the ED stressed the importance of support for the pledging conference which will take place at the UN General Assembly in September 2022 in New York. He suggested a review following the campaign to understand its challenges and successes. He recirculated the letter from the Chairs of the IRP, offering their support and call for donor support for the replenishment campaign.

3.8 The ED summarised the ED Report, highlighting the primary ways the Board can continue to support GCERF: (i) adopting a replenishment 'lens' on all decisions taken between now and the end of the year; (ii) advocate for GCERF at the capitol level; (iii) renew contributions towards the sustainable funding of GCERF; (iv) advocate for new donors to GCERF, including broadening to both security and development agencies; (v) advocate as partner countries to both donors and new partner countries; (vi) collaborate with GCERF on advocacy, including joint events and thought leadership.

3.9 The Chair thanked the ED. He stressed GCERF as a unique platform for multilateralism, testing and offering concrete methods through which a sustainable, multilateral approach to a global issue may be implemented. The Chair reiterated the ED's message about supporting the replenishment campaign, which has included multiple phases and which will feature a pledging conference in September 2022.

Discussion

3.10 The Board thanked the Chair and the ED for their work and expressed their confidence in GCERF. They were encouraged by the progress GCERF has made and acknowledged it as a global leader in PVE. They applauded the new meeting format, which allowed for higher engagement in partner countries and on relevant topics; in particular, they appreciated the expertise developed in the Western Balkans, a unique perspective

from which lessons should be shared, and that should be replicated in other parts of the world.

3.11 The Board congratulated GCERF on reaching USD 136m in overall contributions, and encouraged its donors to support the replenishment campaign, for which about USD 60m out of the USD 120m goal has been reached. They requested GCERF to send additional letters of request, following the initial letters sent in 2021, and including updated information about the campaign and its host countries.

3.12 Board Members from GCERF partner countries thanked GCERF for its ongoing support and requested that donors continue their support, in order to confront the ongoing problem of violent extremism around the world and in particular, in areas like the Sahel which are seeing an increase in cross-border extremist activity. They questioned expansion to additional partner countries without greater human and financial resources.

3.13 Several Board Members stressed the need for GCERF's governance structure to evolve along with the organisation and the larger P/CVE landscape. They noted the work done by the Governance and Ethics Committee (GEC) to progress this initiative.

3.14 Several Board Members applauded GCERF's Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Strategy (DEI), a priority topic for many governments.

3.15 The ED said GCERF is targeting Tuesday 20 September in the afternoon for the pledging conference at UNGA. He requested Board support to ensure its success.

3.16 The Chair concluded the session.

4. AFGHANISTAN [DISCUSSION]

4.1 The Chair briefly explained the background of the ongoing discussion around working in Afghanistan (BM.16/DOC.05). He invited the ED to make a statement.

4.2 The ED thanked the Board Member for Qatar for facilitating his meeting in Oslo with the Taliban, and Mr Richard Danziger, an external expert consultant on Afghanistan (BM.16/DOC.05/ANNEX.01). The ED looks forward to visiting Kabul when possible, a trip that was postponed from spring 2022 but is being arranged by the Board Member for Qatar.

4.3 Mr Danziger offered a brief overview of his report, stressing that the situation in Afghanistan is extremely dynamic, with constant developments and changes. He explained that the global and humanitarian investments of the past twenty years have not all disappeared: the media is still present and has a space, despite backlash against them; national NGOs and CSOs remain despite having to work with the Taliban; the Taliban has

adopted the CT agenda and continues to try to be seen as a legitimate government globally.

4.4 Mr Danziger noted the major differences between different regions within Afghanistan and said there are areas where it would be possible to effectively work. He sees opportunity for increasing social inclusion, building youth resilience to violent extremism, and hopefully building economic opportunity. He noted the challenge of the exclusionary political style in Afghanistan, which existed during the last government too. He stressed the importance of working in collaboration with local government and authorities, building trust at the local and central levels. He described the most vulnerable groups as the Hazaras, 'salafis', youth, and women.

4.5 On the participation of women's groups, Mr Danziger stressed that women's groups must be included as key partners in any work in Afghanistan and there are several ideas about how to do so effectively. He suggested the idea of women as natural peacebuilders is not necessarily applicable in Afghanistan due to gender roles and societal structures; however, there is ample opportunity for working with them.

4.6 Any investment in Afghanistan must consider time, as interventions will need to be longer term. There remains mistrust nationally and internationally. Working in Afghanistan could also help prevent the country from falling back into warlord-ism, which is already starting to be seen again.

4.7 The Chair thanked Mr Danziger. The Board then held a confidential discussion, during which opportunities, challenges and sensitivities were discussed. The Board agreed GCERF would not yet take a decision with regard to working in Afghanistan. The Chair and the Secretariat would continue to explore the possibility and share findings with the Board.

5. SUSTAINABILITY [DISCUSSION]

5.1 The Board held a brief discussion on Sustainability (BM.16/DOC.06) in order to focus on the priority discussions around Afghanistan and Governance. A brief presentation on the subject was given by the Head of the Portfolio Management Unit (HPMU) and the Performance and Impact Manager (PIM) of the Secretariat.

5.2 Several Board members welcomed the approach and the topic.

6. GOVERNANCE [DISCUSSION]

6.1 The Chair introduced the governance discussion (BM.16/DOC.07), explained the background of the discussion around GCERF's governance structure, which began during

the 12th Board Meeting. He invited the Chair of the GEC to provide additional context and to present the latest format in development.

6.2 Dr Daniel Frank, Chair of the GEC and Alternate Board Member for Switzerland, presented the paper on Governance Reform. He noted the impetus for, and challenges and opportunities of implementing such a reform, and described the proposal in detail.

6.3 The Board thanked the GEC for its hard work on governance reform. They agreed that the proposal addressed many of the requests by the Board and to build upon this proposal prior to BM.17.

6.4 The Chair summarised that the Board may further develop the governance proposal as suggested, for decision at the next GCERF Board meeting.

7. FINANCIAL MATTERS

7.1 The Chair introduced Financial Matters: (i) the Finance and Audit Committee Report (BM.16/DOC.09); (ii) the 2021 Audited Financial Statements (BM.16/DOC.10); (iii) the Funding Situation (BM.16/DOC.11); and the Internal Control System (BM.16/DOC.12), the latter three of which were for decision. The Chair invited the Finance and Compliance Manager (FCM) to introduce and present the sessions.

Finance & Audit Committee (FAC) Report

7.2 Dr Derek Müller, Member of the FAC and Constituency Member of Switzerland, presented the FAC Report (BM.16/DOC.09) on behalf of the Chair of the Finance and Audit Committee (FAC). He noted the formal FAC meeting in Q2 included a satisfactory presentation by the external auditors. He confirmed the FAC's endorsement of all three papers for decision.

2021 Audited Financial Statements

7.3 The FCM presented the 2021 Audited Financial Statements (BM.16/DOC.10). He highlighted the unqualified opinion expressed by BDO Ltd, the external auditors. He explained that the financial loss reported in 2021 (USD 3.8m) is not a sign of poor financial performance and reiterated the reason for a reported financial loss, the result of both a high level of performance and achievements (hence a high level of expenses) as well as the way GCERF recognises multi-year unearmarked income.

Funding Situation (and Revised Budget)

7.4 The FCM presented the Funding Situation (BM.16/DOC.11), including the revised budget for 2022. He highlighted key points: (i) the Secretariat anticipates a potential loss of funding due to the diversion of global funds towards the conflict in Ukraine; (ii) the revised budget downward is due to the gap in funding, resulting in a decrease in grant commitments that maintains focus on existing countries rather than expansion; (iii) funding for 2022 is now covered, with the exception of a USD 0.5m gap for operating expenses (OpEx) that is expected to be filled by the end of the year; and (iv) around USD 15m is available for 2023, an improvement from previous years but below the ambition of the replenishment goal of providing financial stability for the Secretariat.

Internal Control System

7.5 The FCM presented the Internal Control System (BM.16/DOC.12). He highlighted that no major development has occurred since the last update on the Internal Control System in June 2021 that would warrant a change in the type of level of exposure of the organisation.

Discussion

7.6 The Board Members expressed their appreciation for the clarity of GCERF's financial reporting, and thanked the FCM and the FAC for their work on financial matters.

7.7 The Board took the following decisions:

BM.16/DEC.05: The Board approves the 2021 financial statements prepared in US Dollars and in accordance with IFRS for SMEs and the statutory financial statements presented in Swiss Francs (CHF).

BM.16/DEC.06: The Board:

- a. approves the revised 2022 budget as follows:
 - Expenses: USD 29.9m; and
- b. notes that a gap of USD 0.4m still exists for the operating expenses of the Secretariat.

BM.16/DEC.07: The Board approves the internal control measures currently in place. It requests the Secretariat to continue developing and operating the internal control system on the basis of the principles and approach described in document BM.16/DOC.12.

8. GOVERNANCE AND ETHICS COMMITTEE (GEC) REPORT

8.1 The Chair invited the Chair of the GEC to present the Governance and Ethics Committee Report (BM.16/DOC.08).

8.2 The Chair of the GEC presented the paper, highlighting: (i) the resignation of two Committee Members and the request for replacements; (ii) no conflict of interest was reported since the last Board meeting; and (iii) there remain five Declaration of Interest forms which have yet to be returned. He also summarised the discussion around Governance reform.

8.4 The Board took the following decision:

BM.16/DEC.04: The Board:

- a. notes the resignation of Ambassador Miriam Shearman, Board Member for Canada and the United Kingdom, and Mr Geir Michalsen, Constituency Member for the USA, the Netherlands and Norway constituency, from the Governance and Ethics Committee (GEC) and thanks them for their service; and
- b. requests the Chair to consult with Board Members interested in joining the GEC, and present a recommendation on the committee's membership for Board approval.

9. ADDITIONAL DECISIONS

9.1 The Chair introduced the remaining decisions to adopt: Bangladesh Country Strategy (BM.16/DOC.14); Partnership Policy (BM.16/DOC.13); and 2021 Annual Report for Swiss Supervisory Authority (BM.15/DOC.15).

Bangladesh Country Strategy

9.2 The Head of Portfolio Management Unit (HPMU) presented the Bangladesh Country Strategy (BM.16/DOC.14), highlighting the focus on lessons learned and sustainability as the Bangladesh portfolio matures.

9.3 The Board took the following decision:

BM.16/DEC.08: The Board:

- a. approves the GCERF Country Strategy for Bangladesh as detailed in BM.16/DOC.14; and

- b. requests the Secretariat to proceed with grant-making at a value of up to USD 1m.

Partnership Policy

9.4 The ED presented the Partnership Policy (BM.16/DOC.13), highlighting the strategic partnerships GCERF has developed with organisations like the GCTF, Hedayah, IJJ and UNOCT. He described the strategic evolution of GCERF's partnerships as the organisation grows.

9.5 The Board took the following decision:

BM.16/DEC.09: The Board approves the Partnership Policy (BM.16/DOC.13) and requests the Secretariat to implement it.

2021 Annual Report for Swiss Supervisory Authority

9.6 The ED presented the 2021 Annual Report for Swiss Supervisory Authority (BM.15/DOC.15), an annual requirement for submission to the Swiss Federal Supervisory Authority for Foundations.

The Board took the following decision:

BM.16/DEC.10: The Board approves the 2021 Annual Report of Activities contained in Annex 1 to BM.16/DOC.15 for submission to the Swiss Supervisory Authority for Foundations.

10. Any Other Business

10.1 The Chair invited the Board and the ED to make any closing remarks. He announced 29–30 November 2022 as the intended dates for the 17th Board Meeting to be held in Geneva.

10.5 The Chair closed the meeting.

ANNEX 1

BM.16/DOC.01 AGENDA

TUESDAY 14 JUNE 2022

Location – (08:30 – 17:00 CET), Tirana

Time	Topic	Presenter
08:30 – 17:00	HIGH-LEVEL VISIT	Please see separate agenda
18:30–20:00	Reception	

WEDNESDAY 15 JUNE 2022

Location – Hybrid (9:00 – 17:00 CET), Tirana

Time	Topic	Presenter
7:30 – 8:30	Right Wing Extremism Briefing & Coffee (BOARD MEMBERS ONLY) Right-wing extremism has been growing globally including in the Western Balkans. With support from the EU and other GCERF donors, our regional investment strategy for the Western Balkans is channelling funding to address the drivers of right-wing extremist ideology through civil society partners. However, much more needs to be done. This working session aims to discuss what has been done so far by specific GCERF grantees in Bosnia and Herzegovina, Kosovo, and North Macedonia, what needs remain, and how GCERF can support them.	
9:00 – 13:00	R&R HIGH-LEVEL CONFERENCE	Please see separate agenda
13:00 – 15:00	Buffet Lunch	
15:00 – 15:05	Welcoming Remarks	Board Chair
15:05 – 15:15	Preliminary Matters <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Appointment of Rapporteur • Approval of Agenda • Confirmation of new Board members 	Board Chair
15:15 – 17:00	Report of the Executive Director	Executive Director
17:00 – 17:45	Donors' Meeting	Donors
19:00 – 20:00	Reception	

THURSDAY 16 JUNE 2022

Location – Hybrid (8:30 – 14:00 CET), Tirana

Time	Topic	Presenter
8:30 – 9:30	Sahel Briefing & Coffee It is clear that the Sahel is currently the global epicentre for violent extremism, with significant knock-on effects regionally and beyond. Yet the rapidly-evolving political and security situation in the region, combined with the preoccupation of global foreign policy attention on Ukraine, has resulted in an information vacuum. We will take the opportunity of the presence at the Board meeting of several high-ranking officials from GCERF Sahel partner countries, as well as the G5 Sahel, to provide a coffee briefing on the current security situation in the region.	
9:45 – 10:00	Welcoming Remarks (update for Virtual Participants)	Executive Director
Discussions		
10:00 – 10:45	Afghanistan	Executive Director
10:45 – 11:30	Sustainability	Head of PMU, P&I Manager
11:30 – 12:00	Coffee Break	
12:00 – 12:45	Governance	Board Chair
Decisions to Adopt		
12:45 – 13:15	Financial Matters <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • FAC Report • 2021 Audited Financial Statements • Funding Situation • Internal Control System 	Finance & Compliance Manager, Chair of the FAC
13:15 – 13:30	Governance and Ethics Committee (GEC) Report	Chair of the GEC
13:30 – 14:15	Additional Decisions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bangladesh Country Strategy • Partnership Policy • 2021 Annual Report for Swiss Supervisory Authority 	Executive Director
14:15	Any Other Business	Board Chair
14:15 – 14:45	Executive Session	Board Chair, Board Members only
14:15 – 15:30	Packed Lunch (Grab & Go)	

ANNEX 2

PARTICIPANTS LIST (*attending virtually)

GOVERNING BOARD CHAIR

Mr Stefano Manservigi

BOARD MEMBERS

Australia, Japan and New Zealand

Board Member: H.E. Mr Jeffrey Roach, Ambassador and Deputy Permanent Representative, Permanent Mission of Australia to the United Nations Office in Geneva Affairs & Trade, Wellington

Alternate Board Member: Mr Tetsuya Yamada*, Director, International Safety and Security Cooperation Division, Foreign Policy Bureau, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan, Tokyo

Constituency Members:

New Zealand: Ms Cecile Hillyer*, Head, International Security and Disarmament Division, New Zealand Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade, Wellington

Mr Kurt Murphy*, Policy Officer – International Security and Disarmament Division, New Zealand Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade, Wellington

Ms Chie Owada, Deputy Director, International Safety and Security Cooperation Division, Foreign Policy Bureau, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan, Tokyo

Ms Zeljka Ujdur, Assistant Director – Counter Terrorism Partnerships Section, Office of the Ambassador for Counter-Terrorism, Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade of Australia

Bangladesh

Alternate Board Member: H.E. Mr Md. Mustafizur Rahman, Ambassador and Permanent Representative, Permanent Mission of the People's Republic of Bangladesh to the United Nations Office in Geneva

Canada and United Kingdom

Alternate Board Member: Ms Christine Constantin, Director, Counter-Terrorism and Anti-Crime Capacity Building Programs (ICC), Global Affairs Canada

Ms Courtney Black, Senior Project Manager, Counter-Terrorism Capacity Building Program (CTCBP), Global Affairs Canada

Civil Society

Board Member: Mr Fulco Van Deventer, Vice-Director, Human Security Collective

Alternate Board Member: Ms Selena Victor*, Director of Policy & Advocacy, Mercy Corps Europe, London

European Union, France, Denmark and Italy

Board Member: Mr Jesper Steen Pedersen, Deputy Head of Unit, FPI.1 –Peace and Stability – Global Threats, Service for Foreign Policy Instruments (FPI), European Commission, Brussels

Alternate Board Member: Mr Pierre-Yves Kerdoncuff, Policy Advisor, Counterterrorism and Organized Crime Department, Strategic, Security and Disarmament Directorate, Ministry of Europe and Foreign Affairs of France on behalf of Ms Jeanne Latterrade, Deputy Head of the Suppression of Terrorism and Organized Crime Department, Strategic, Security and Disarmament Directorate, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of France, Paris

Constituency Members:

Denmark: Ms Khadije Nasser, Security Policy / Counterterrorism Coordinator, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Denmark

Italy: Mr Arnaldo Minuti, Head Office VII (International cooperation in counter-terrorism, transnational organized crime, drug trafficking), General Directorate for Political Affairs and Security, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation, Rome

Ms Sihame Zanifi, FPI.1 –Peace and Stability – Global Threats, Service for Foreign Policy Instruments (FPI), European Commission

Kosovo, North Macedonia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, and Albania

Board Member: Mr Blerim Gashani, Deputy Minister of Internal Affairs of Kosovo on behalf of H.E. Mr Xhelal Svecla, Minister of Internal Affairs of Kosovo, Pristina

Alternate Board Member: Mr Zlatko Apostoloski, National Coordinator for Prevention of Violent Extremism and Counter-Terrorism of North Macedonia, Skopje

Constituency Members:

Albania: Ms Lejdi Dervishi, Director, The Coordination Center for Countering Violent Extremism, Tirana

Bosnia and Herzegovina: H.E. Dr Selmo Cikotić, Minister of Security of Bosnia and Herzegovina, Sarajevo

Mr Senahid Godinjak, Chief of Staff, Ministry of Security of Bosnia and Herzegovina, Sarajevo

Mr Mensur Hoti, Director of Department for Public Safety, Ministry Internal Affairs

Ms Fatilda Smajlaj, Head of Division for Education and Research, The CVE Coordination Center

Mali, Nigeria, Niger, Burkina Faso and Mauritania

Board Member: H.E. Mr Abiodun Richards Adejola, Ambassador and Permanent Representative, Permanent Mission of the Federal Republic of Nigeria to the United Nations Office in Geneva

Alternate Board Member: Mr Adama Coulibaly, Minister-Counsellor, Permanent Mission of the Republic of Mali to the United Nations Office in Geneva on behalf of H.E. Mr Mamadou Henri Konate, Ambassador and Permanent Representative, Permanent Mission of the Republic of Mali to the United Nations Office in Geneva

Constituency Members:

Burkina Faso: H.E. Mr Issaka Sourwema, Minister of Religious and Traditional Affairs of Burkina Faso, Ouagadougou

Mr Bruce Emmanuel Sawadogo, Director General for Public Liberties and Political Affairs at the Ministry of Territorial Administration and Decentralization, and Chief of Burkina Faso Regional Cell for the Prevention of Radicalisation (CELLRAD), Ouagadougou

Mauritania: Mr Saleck Ould Mohamed Ainatt, Advisor in charge of Regional Integration and National Coordinator of G5 Sahel, Ministry of Economic Affairs and Promotion of Production Sectors of the Islamic Republic of Mauritania, Nouakchott

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Private Sector

Alternate Board Member: Mr Tony Carroll*, Founding Director, Acorus Capital; Adjunct Professor, Johns Hopkins University, Washington, D.C.

Qatar

Board Member: H.E. Dr Mutlaq Majed Al-Qahtani, Ambassador and Special Envoy of the Minister of Foreign Affairs of the State of Qatar for Counterterrorism and Mediation, Doha

Somalia

H.E. Mr Abdihakim Hassan Ashkir, State Minister, Office of the Prime Minister of Somalia, Mogadishu

Switzerland

Board Member: Dr Derek Müller, Head of Division Middle East and Northern Africa and Fragility, Conflict & Human Rights Unit, Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation (SDC) on behalf of H.E. Mr Thomas Gass, Ambassador, Vice-Director and Head of the South Cooperation Department, Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation (SDC), Federal Department of Foreign Affairs of Switzerland, Bern

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Board Member: Mr Irfan Saeed, Director of the Countering Violent Extremism Office, Bureau of Counterterrorism, U.S. Department of State, Washington, D.C.

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