

DECISIONS

BM.23/DEC.01: Ambassador Paivi Kairamo of Finland is appointed as the Rapporteur of the 23rd Board meeting.

BM.23/DEC.02: The agenda for the 23rd Board meeting (BM.23/DOC.01) is approved.

BM.23/DEC.03: The Board notes the following change in its membership (each without signatory authority) since the 22nd Board meeting:

- **Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Kosovo and North Macedonia:** Minister Albana Koçiu replaces Mr Zlatko Apostoloski as the Alternate Board Member;
- **Australia, Japan and New Zealand:** Mr Daisuke Tsubaki replaces Mr Koichi Warisawa as the Alternate Board Member;
- **Ghana and Nigeria:** Ambassador Abiodun Richards Adejola has resigned as a Board Member, and the seat is currently vacant;
- **Kenya, Mozambique and Somalia:** Mr Ali Yassin Gurge replaces Mr Abdullahi Mohammed Nor as the Alternate Board Member;
- **United Kingdom and United States of America:** Mr Joel Borkert replaces Mr Ian Moss as the Board Member.

BM.23/DEC.04: The Board:

- approves the GCERF Strategy 2026-29 contained in Annex 1 of BM23/DOC.05;
- thanks the External Reference Group and acknowledges the valuable contributions of the many additional stakeholders who provided feedback for the Strategy;
- welcomes the Secretariat's explanations on the Strategy, which will be reflected in the Board Report;
- notes that the Strategy is a living document;
- looks forward to oversight through annual implementation plans, routine reporting to the Board and its committees, and a mid-term review; and
- commits to actively promoting and supporting the Strategy.

BM.23/DEC.05: The Board:

- notes the resignation of Ambassador Hema Kotecha, Alternate Board Member for the United Kingdom and United States of America constituency, from the Governance and Ethics Committee (GEC) and thanks her for her service;

- a. 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; and
- b. requests the GEC to initiate a formal governance review process

BM.23/DEC.06: The Board:

- a. notes the resignation of Mr Craig Bennett of New Zealand from the Finance and Audit Committee (FAC) and thanks him for his service;
- b. approves the revised FAC Terms of Reference as detailed in Annex 1 to BM.23/DOC.07; and
- c. approves the appointment of Ms Elizabeth Ama Yankah of Ghana as a member of the FAC.

BM.23/DEC.07: The Board:

- a. appreciates the work of the Finance & Audit Committee (FAC) for its thorough review of the proposed budget and notes its endorsement;
- b. approves the 2026 budget as follows:
 - Expenses: USD 28.7M; and
- c. notes that 76% of the proposed 2026 budget is funded at this time. Confirmation of announced contributions, as well as new funding, is needed.

BM.23/DEC.08: The Board:

- a. appreciates the work of the Finance & Audit Committee (FAC) for its thorough review of the proposed new budget structure and notes its endorsement; and
- b. approves the new budget structure as presented in Board paper BM.23/DOC.08.

BM.23/DEC.09 The Board:

- a. notes the resignation of Mr Adam Ravnkilde and Ms Eya Jrad as members of the IRP and thanks them for their service;
- b. extends the present term of five of the twelve IRP members as per IRP Terms of Reference:
 1. GLAZZARD, Dr Andrew
 2. MALEFAKIS, Dr Medinat
 3. MALET, Dr David
 4. LAMALAN, Ms Fatima Star Usman
 5. SAMPSON, Mr John

c. Confirms that the following members are serving on the IRP panel:

Second and final term:

1. CHRISTIAN LEKE, Mr Achaleke until 31.12.2026;
2. ROURE, Ms Maud until 31.12.2026;
3. GLAZZARD, Dr Andrew, until 31.12.2027;
4. MALEFAKIS, Dr Medinat until 31.12.2027;
5. MALET, Dr David until 31.12.2027;
6. LAMALAN, Ms Fatima Star Usman until 31.12.2028;
7. SAMPSON, Mr John until 31.12.2028.

First term:

8. DANZIGER, Mr Richard, until 31.12.2026;
9. SANS, Ms Gazbiah until 31.12.2026;
10. LYANNMOURI, Mr Rida; until 31.12.2027;
11. ANWAR, Mr Deka until 31.12.2027;
12. KOHNO, Dr Takeshi until 31.12.2027.

(signed)

Paivi Kairamo

Rapporteur

(signed)

Stefano Manservisi

Chair