

Question and Answer

Logistics and running of the virtual pre-meetings and the 46th PCB meeting (23-25 June 2020)

All information regarding the modalities and procedures for the 46th virtual PCB meetings (23-25 June) and pre-meetings (schedule below) is included in the interessionally approved PCB paper ([link](#)) posted on the [UNAIDS Governance webpage](#).

Please do not hesitate to contact the Governance team for any further clarifications at pcbgovernance@unaid.org.

Timeline for the pre-meetings of the 46th virtual PCB meeting

Date	Item
Wednesday, 3 June 2020	Discussion on UNAIDS Strategy beyond 2021
Tuesday, 9 June 2020	Discussion on oversight items: Update on Human Resources Management Issues, Update on the Implementation of the Management Action Plan, Statement by the Chair of the UNAIDS Staff Association, and Organizational Oversight reports
Thursday, 11 June 2020	Discussion on Task team on community-led responses and PCB Working Group on follow-up to the JIU Review
Tuesday, 16 June 2020	Discussion on UBRAF
Thursday, 18 June 2020	Pre-PCB Missions Briefing
Friday, 19 June 2020	Requested date to submit pre-recorded statements and amendments to decision points

Q1: How do I register for the virtual 46th PCB meeting (23-25 June) and pre-meetings (schedule above)?

- Participants can register at the following link: [LINK](#). This registration serves as the registration for both the virtual 46th PCB meeting (23-25 June) and the pre-meetings (schedule above).
- PCB Member States and Observer Member States must submit a Note Verbale indicating which participants will serve as ‘speakers’ and which as ‘listeners’. All other participants, including cosponsors, NGOs, and other intergovernmental organizations, must submit a note containing the same information.
- Member States and Observer Member States who are not able to submit the officially signed Note Verbale on time for the registration should register their delegation by submitting a self-explanatory note with the names of the expected ‘speakers’ and ‘listeners’, as will be reflected in the official Note Verbale.
- The official Note Verbale must be shared as soon as possible with pcbgovernance@unaids.org thereafter.

Q2: Will PCB participants attending the pre-meetings be speaker enabled? If not, can they specify "different speakers" for the pre-meetings and the PCB meeting?

- Access to the virtual pre-meetings (schedule above) and the 46th PCB meeting (23-25 June) is limited to 3 speakers and 3 listeners per delegation for each of the twenty two PCB Members States, per each of the six seats for the cosponsors and the five seats for the NGO delegation, and 2 speakers and 2 listeners for Member State, NGO Observers, and Intergovernmental Organizations. **Speaker and listener status for each participant should be reflected in the Note Verbale for Member States and in the Note for other participants.**
- The registration of ‘speakers’ and ‘listeners’ should be the same for pre-PCB meetings and the actual PCB meeting. However, as mentioned in the paper on “Modalities and Procedures for the 46th UNAIDS virtual PCB meeting” ([UNAIDS/PCB \(46\)/20.3](#)), exceptional requests related to registration limitations should be submitted for the approval of the PCB Chair and the UNAIDS Executive Director by submitting an email providing a rationale to pcbgovernance@unaids.org.

Q3: What are the pre-meetings?

- The pre-meetings are informal meetings ahead of the PCB that seek to clarify the issues under each of the agenda items and are led by the representative of the PCB Chair. Kindly see the schedule above.

- At the relevant pre-meeting, each specified agenda item will be briefly presented. Each presentation will be followed by questions and answers and then a discussion on the proposed decision points.
- The Chair will seek to achieve consensus on the draft decision points to support the smooth running of the actual 46th virtual PCB meeting (23-25 June).

Q4: How are PCB members expected to deliver formal statements?

- PCB members are encouraged to submit their statements, either written or a pre-recorded video, no later than **Friday, 19 June 2020** to pcbgovernance@unaid.org.
- The submitted statements (written or pre-recorded) should not exceed 5 minutes.
- When deemed necessary by PCB participants to supplement their pre-recorded written or video statements, PCB participants will be invited to provide brief interventions during the virtual meeting (23-25 June 2020). To adhere to the strict timing of the meeting, members and observers will be given a maximum of two minutes to make their interventions. Those speaking on behalf of a constituency will be given three minutes.
- All submitted statements will be part of the official record of the meeting.
- At the virtual pre-meetings (see schedule above) and the 46th PCB meeting (23-25 June 2020), the Chair will invite participants to ask questions following the rules laid out in the Modus Operandi: PCB Member States, PCB NGOs, Cosponsors, then observers.

Q5: To prepare for the pre-meetings and to help inform statements, when and where will papers and draft decisions be posted?

- PCB papers, as well as the compiled list of proposed decisions, are accessible here: <http://www.unaids.org/en/whoweare/pcb/46>. All papers will be posted in English and French shortly.

Q6: How will consensus be reached on the draft decision points?

- PCB papers and their decisions will be discussed at their respective pre-meeting (see table above). Members are invited to submit proposed amendments to the draft decision points in advance of the virtual meeting by Friday, 19 June 2020 to pcbgovernance@unaid.org to allow for circulation amongst and consideration by PCB members.
- The Chair will try to reach consensus during these pre-meetings. However, the final decisions for adoption will be tabled at the 46th virtual PCB meeting (23-25 June).
- The [modalities and procedures paper](#) contains 4 provisions (28-31) on decision-making that further clarify the above.

Q7: What platform will be used for the meetings?

- The platform used for both the virtual pre-meeting sessions (see table above) and the 46th PCB meeting will be the Interprefy platform.
- The meeting will not be webcasted.

Q8: Is there a stand-alone agenda item on COVID-19 and AIDS response?

- COVID-19 will be addressed under the report of the Executive Director. In addition, a conference room paper on COVID-19 and the AIDS response will be available to inform the debate, also under the Executive Director report agenda item.

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