

Geneva, 13 March 2026

Subject: 2026-2028 Allocation Letter¹

Your Excellency Minister Ceban,

Together, the Global Fund partnership has made remarkable progress in the fight against HIV, tuberculosis (TB) and malaria over the past two decades. Now, with significant constraints in external financing for health and a rapidly evolving global health ecosystem, we must adapt and intensify our focus on delivering sustainable health outcomes in this new context.

For the 2026-2028 allocation period (Grant Cycle 8 (GC8)), the Global Fund is introducing a set of [strategic shifts](#)² building on the [2023-2028 Global Fund Strategy](#)³, to accelerate pathways to self-reliance, sharpen investment priorities, strengthen value for money and advance access to innovations.

Moldova Allocation

For GC8, **Moldova has been allocated up to €10,007,968 for HIV, TB and building resilient and sustainable systems for health (RSSH)**. This allocation has been determined according to a methodology primarily based on disease burden and income level.

Table 1: Summary of allocation

Eligible disease component	Allocation up to €	Allocation Utilization Period
HIV	5,502,590	1 January 2027 to 31 December 2029
Tuberculosis	4,505,378	1 January 2027 to 31 December 2029
Total	10,007,968	

Transition from Global Fund financing. In line with the Global Fund's [Sustainability, Transition, and Co-Financing Policy](#)⁴ (STC policy), the Global Fund has determined that GC8 will be the final allocation for Moldova for HIV and TB, so investment priorities should reflect the need to transition to domestic funding at the end of this grant cycle. Specific guidance is included under the Aims of the Allocation section and expectations for co-financing are described in **Annex A** of this letter.

¹ This letter includes one annex and links, which should be read together and in full.

² <https://resources.theglobalfund.org/en/strategic-shifts-gc8/>

³ https://www.theglobalfund.org/media/11612/strategy_globalfund2023-2028_narrative_en.pdf

⁴ https://www.theglobalfund.org/media/14383/core_sustainability-transition-cofinancing_policy_en.pdf

Aims of the Allocation

Country dialogue discussions around the use of the allocation should ensure rigorous prioritization of HIV, TB and RSSH investments considering up-to-date country epidemiologic data, WHO normative guidance and the Global Fund's GC8 [investment guidance](#)⁵.

Moldova is encouraged to focus on implementing a robust transition plan to enable fully domestically-funded HIV and TB responses, focusing Global Fund investments and co-financing on the key priorities to transition from Global Fund financing, including sustainable approaches for community systems financing, cost-effective procurement mechanisms, integration of disease responses into the broader health system, and streamlined management models. Investment priorities should take account of the expectation that GC8 will be the final allocation period for HIV and TB for Moldova.

Countries are encouraged to consider opportunities for further integration of HIV and TB responses into primary health care services to enhance effectiveness and efficiency. Countries are also encouraged to make targeted investments in cross-cutting health and community systems that strengthen essential functions and infrastructure and enhance engagement and access of affected populations. Such investments in health and community systems will reinforce the impact and sustainability of HIV and TB responses. In determining investments in health and community systems, countries must consider alignment with all funding sources, including domestic funding, other multilateral agencies, including Gavi, the World Bank and other multilateral development banks, the US and other bilateral partners. We recommend the Country Coordinating Mechanism (CCM) invite relevant ministry and partner representatives to country dialogue meetings to develop investments in a collaborative and holistic manner.

In addition, the Global Fund would like to share specific guidance for Moldova's funding request:

- In its final Global Fund allocation to Moldova, GC8 funds should focus on addressing the most critical program, policy and financing gaps that, if addressed, would ensure an effective transition from Global Fund support.
- To ensure successful transition and sustainable programmatic impact, the Global Fund encourages the country to prioritize the following HIV investment priority areas: (a) increase the share of domestic financing for prevention services for key populations with the aim to ensure full domestic financing by the end of GC8 leveraging national health insurance scheme; (b) considering the gaps in the first two pillars of the HIV cascade, invest in and sustain differentiated service delivery models for key populations including through community-led responses, to remove structural and access barriers to services, and ensure stronger linkages to treatment; and (c) introduce new injectable pre-exposure prophylaxis (PrEP) with the objective of integration in the national service delivery model and full domestic financing of all PrEP by the end of GC8.
- To ensure successful transition of TB programming and optimize programmatic outcomes, the country should prioritize: (a) active case finding and targeted TB screening among populations with limited access to health services, while leveraging the national health

⁵ <https://resources.theglobalfund.org/en/technical-guidance/>

insurance scheme; and (b) finalizing the full transition of the Global Fund-supported laboratory, diagnostic and treatment activities to sustainable domestic financing, while ensuring the continued role of civil society and communities as an integral part of the national TB response.

Conditions to Access the Allocation

CCM eligibility requirements. The Global Fund Secretariat screens all applicants for compliance with CCM [eligibility requirements](#).⁶ Compliance with requirements 1 and 2 is assessed at the time of submission of the funding request⁷ and others continue to be assessed on a yearly basis. Continued compliance with all eligibility requirements is a condition to access Global Fund financing (including for the CCM).

Focus of Funding. The STC policy sets out Focus of Funding requirements for all countries by income level. Moldova is classified as an upper middle-income country.⁸ Specific recommendations apply to transition funding and final grants. Please refer to the STC guidance note⁹ for relevant information for your country.

Co-financing requirements. Global Fund financing complements domestic funding for national responses to HIV, TB, and RSSH. Improving domestic resources for health is essential to end the diseases, sustainably strengthen systems for health and support countries to effectively transition from Global Fund financing. To access the full GC8 allocation, countries must meet the co-financing requirements described in the STC policy. All countries are expected to make specific commitments to progressively increase financing for key programmatic interventions and cover a growing share of key program costs of national responses, especially those interventions currently financed by the Global Fund. Lower-income countries and lower-middle-income countries are also expected to commit to increased government health expenditure over the allocation period.

25% of Moldova's GC8 allocation will be accessible if Moldova meets the co-financing requirements set out in **Annex A**. Country co-financing commitments must be finalized and communicated to the Global Fund during grant-making in formal co-financing commitment letters, endorsed by relevant government authorities. These commitments should be ambitious yet realistic, strategically focused and supportive of country efforts to both strengthen financial sustainability and effectively transition from external financing.

Opportunities for Funding Beyond the Allocation Amount

Unfunded quality demand. The Global Fund requests that all applicants develop a Prioritized Above Allocation Request (PAAR). Interventions from the PAAR that the Technical Review Panel

⁶ https://www.theglobalfund.org/media/7421/ccm_countrycoordinatingmechanism_policy_en.pdf

⁷ Or other application documents.

⁸ Determined from gross national income (GNI) per capita using the World Bank income group thresholds for 2025.

⁹ <https://resources.theglobalfund.org/en/technical-guidance/>

considers quality demand will be listed on the Register of Unfunded Quality Demand (UQD) for potential future funding.

Joint investments/Debt2Health. Strengthening alignment with other external financiers and using innovation to increase domestic resources for health are a focus of the Global Fund Strategy and critical for transition. Global Fund financing must be complementary to other sources of external financing, and Moldova should consider opportunities for joint investments and improved resource mobilization through alternative financing mechanisms such as Debt2Health.

Thank you for your shared commitment and efforts in the global fight against HIV, TB and malaria.

Sincerely,

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Annex A

Allocation

Currency. The allocation for Moldova is denominated in Euro. Global Fund allocations can only be denominated in Euro or US dollars. If you would like to discuss a possible currency change for the next allocation period, kindly notify your Fund Portfolio Manager by 15 April 2026.

Conversion of donor funding. The GC8 allocation was determined considering announced pledges for GC8, as adjusted. It is the amount notionally apportioned to your country to enable the timely preparation of robust and quality funding requests. Should pledge risks require further adjustments to sources of funds, given the current external funding landscape, a portion of the allocation amount may not materialize. In such a scenario, the CCM, Principal Recipient(s) and the Global Fund will work together to operationalize any required changes to the design of the grant program due to reductions in allocations.

Timing. The allocation for each disease component can be used during the relevant allocation utilization period.¹⁰ Any remaining funds from a previous HIV and TB allocation, unused by the start of the indicated allocation utilization period, will not be additional to the GC8 allocation.¹¹

Program split. The Global Fund has proposed an indicative split of allocation funds across eligible disease components. However, the CCM is responsible for assessing and proposing the best use of funds across these disease components and RSSH. Applicants can choose to accept the Global Fund split or propose a revised one, grounded on an evidence-based analysis of programmatic gaps, considering the funding needed to maintain essential programming and reach those most affected by HIV and/or TB. Global Fund approval of any proposed program split change is required before the review of the funding request.

Application Approach

Moldova is requested to submit its application for funding using the Tailored for Transition (Focused) funding request. A complete set of application materials will be shared through the Global Fund Partner Portal¹². Applicants will need to update their grant entity data to access the Portal.

For each country, the available allocation for each component can only be accessed once per grant cycle. Funding requests for all eligible components are required to be submitted at the same time and, where feasible, are expected to be integrated into a single multi-component funding request to optimize investments and integration.

All funding requests are required to be developed through inclusive and transparent country dialogue with a broad range of stakeholders,¹³ including key and vulnerable populations.

¹⁰ See Table 1 of this letter.

¹¹ Any extension of an existing grant using the HIV or TB allocation will be deducted from the subsequent allocation utilization period, both in terms of time and funds used during the extension period.

¹² <https://resources.theglobalfund.org/en/grant-life-cycle/applying-for-funding/submission/>

¹³ Stakeholders should include relevant government directorates, e.g., laboratory directorate, community health directorate, human resources for health directorate.

A variety of resources to help applicants prepare their funding requests will be available on the [Global Fund website](#).¹⁴ We encourage all those involved in the preparation of the funding request to carefully read the available guidance.

Implementation

The Global Fund recognizes the value of efficient implementation and actively encourages all countries to explore opportunities to streamline and consolidate implementation arrangements for GC8. Applicants should consider optimal service delivery arrangements based on country context, with due consideration to community-based and -led organizations.

Focused portfolio model. In GC8 the Aligned model, with fit for purpose requirements, will be applied for Moldova. More information will be provided by the Country Team. The guidelines for this model can be found [here](#).¹⁵

Strengthening Sustainability and Impact of Investments

The Global Fund's co-financing requirements are determined by a country's income classification and outline how countries must make specific domestic financing commitments to access the full Global Fund allocation. These requirements aim to strengthen the overall impact and sustainability of Global Fund investments and support effective transition.

Co-financing. 25% of Moldova's allocation is conditioned on co-financing requirements. Moldova must make sufficient and targeted co-financing commitments during grant-making in line with STC policy requirements. For Moldova, these commitments must be at least €3,502,789 in additional investments, focused on financing relevant programmatic costs to support an effective and full transition from Global Fund financing by the end of the transition grant. The Global Fund will dialogue with Moldova during the funding request and grant-making processes to agree the focus areas of these commitments.

As Moldova is classified as an upper middle-income country, 100% of the co-financing commitments must be focused on specific sustainability and transition activities, with attention to priorities related to key and vulnerable populations.

Moldova should provide confirmation of co-financing commitments through its co-financing commitment letter, and later, evidence of realization of those commitments from appropriate government authorities, including the Ministry of Finance and/or other relevant bodies. The Global Fund will work in a spirit of openness and collaboration with the Government to agree on specific co-financing commitments that are consistent with Moldova's overall fiscal situation and country context, and which advance self-reliance and financial sustainability over time.

Previous co-financing and domestic commitments for GC7. Failure to realize previous co-financing commitments from GC7 may result in the Global Fund reducing funds from existing grants and/or the GC8 allocation. Moldova should submit evidence of the realization of previous

¹⁴ <https://resources.theglobalfund.org/en/grant-life-cycle/applying-for-funding/>

¹⁵ <https://resources.theglobalfund.org/en/policies-requirements/portfolio-categorization/focused-portfolios/>

commitments when submitting its funding request. Evidence of expenditure against commitments to increased government health spending, disease program spending, and specific programmatic spending should accompany the funding request and supporting documents.

Procurement mechanisms. The Global Fund strongly encourages countries to leverage the Global Fund's Pooled Procurement Mechanism (PPM) to ensure sustained access to quality assured and affordable health products using non grant resources, whether derived from domestic financing or other non-Global Fund sources. PPM/Wambo.org provides a dependable and efficient procurement channel that facilitates access to essential HIV and TB prevention, diagnostic and treatment products, including newly recommended innovative products, at competitive prices through a transparent, value for money process. Countries are requested to collaborate with the Global Fund to review and address any challenges associated with the use of PPM/Wambo.org with domestic or other non-Global Fund funding streams. Further information is available on the Global Fund [Procurement Tools](#) web page¹⁶.

¹⁶ <https://www.theglobalfund.org/en/sourcing-management/procurement-tools/>