

Call for applications for new members to serve on the ETTi Core Group (2025-2027 term)

Closing date: 30 October, 2024
Close of Business US Eastern Time

Background

The End TB Transmission Initiative – Powering Airborne IPC (ETTi), a working group of the Stop TB Partnership, is a network of international partners dedicated to advocating for airborne infection prevention and control (IPC) as a global priority.

The mission of ETTi is to advocate for and lead operationalization of policies and expansion of the evidence base, through research, education, training and scaling up of effective implementation of airborne IPC measures.

ETTi goals

- Advocating for airborne IPC as a worldwide priority and collaborating with TB and other airborne IPC partners, NTPs, academia, donors/funding agencies, civil society, and other stakeholders.
- Advocating for increasing financial investments in TB research and innovation in airborne IPC.
- Building global capacity for airborne pandemic preparedness (SARS-CoV-2 and beyond).
- Building and disseminating the evidence base supporting best airborne IPC practices with an emphasis on TB and COVID-19 and tracking worldwide implementation.
- Helping professionals develop, implement, and evaluate best practices through research and dissemination of results.
- Engaging civil society in supporting a global movement to prevent airborne transmission of the disease everywhere.
- Promoting and improving approaches to data sharing to advance scientific discovery and dissemination of findings, reducing duplication of efforts, and facilitating the translation of evidence to national and global policies on airborne IPC.

Current Core Group Members

The ETTi Core Group consists of individuals with expertise in multiple disciplines from different constituencies, stakeholders, and institutions involved in implementing, research, and strengthening airborne IPC in congregate settings. Current membership of the ETTi Core Group can be found online at:

<https://www.stoptb.org/etti-working-group-team-members>.

The term of membership in the Core Group is three years, with the opportunity for renewal for a second consecutive term of three years. The ETTi Core Group Terms of Reference are available at:

<https://www.stoptb.org/end-tb-transmission-initiative/etti-working-group-team>.

Responsibilities of ETTi Core Group members

ETTi Core Group members are expected to:

- Contribute to the implementation of ETTi strategic priorities for 2022-2027;
- Share relevant technical experience and needs from respective constituencies in the implementation of ETTi strategic priorities;
- Attend scheduled teleconferences, and an annual face-to-face meeting;
- Participate in Core Group decision-making;
- Participate in the periodic review and strategic planning of ETTi activities.

Selection of ETTi Core Group members

The selection of Core Group members is based on consideration of expertise and experience, to ensure that membership is balanced by gender, region, and high-burden TB (including DR-TB, TB/HIV) countries and the following constituencies:

- Policy makers, implementers, government officials
- Microbiologists and infectious disease specialists
- Laboratory biosafety experts
- Engineers (HVAC, GUV, environmental, mechanical, civil)
- Architects and building design specialists
- Academia and research organizations
- Facility managers
- Civil society and advocacy groups
- Donor/funding agencies
- Occupational health specialists

For this round individuals involved in research on transmission of TB, occupational health specialists and health care workers offering front-line care for airborne pathogens are encouraged to apply.

Who can apply for ETTi Core Group membership?

Individuals may be nominated by their institution/organization by a current Core Group member or choose to apply on their own behalf. Applications shall contain an updated Curriculum Vitae and a cover letter expressing their interest in and suitability for ETTi Core Group membership. A letter of endorsement from the applicant's institution/organization shall also be attached along with the application.

Interested individuals are invited to send their applications to ETTi Coordinator: Richard.Vincent@mountsinai.org no later than 30 October, 2024.

ETTi Secretariat

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