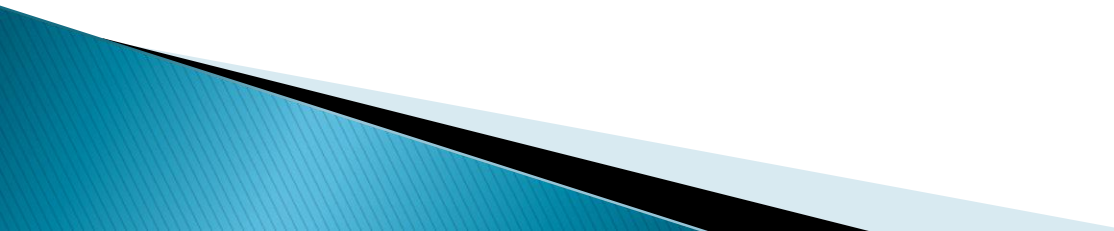


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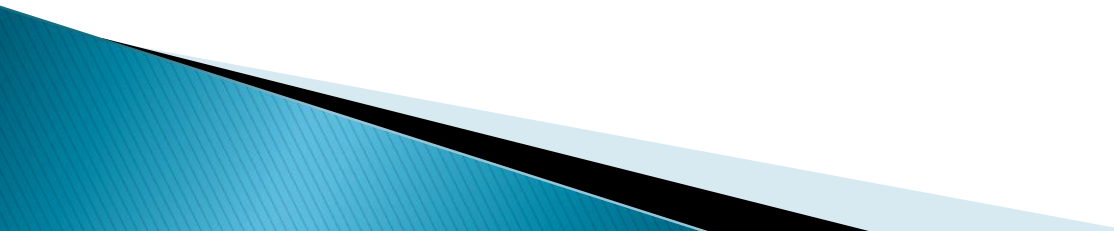
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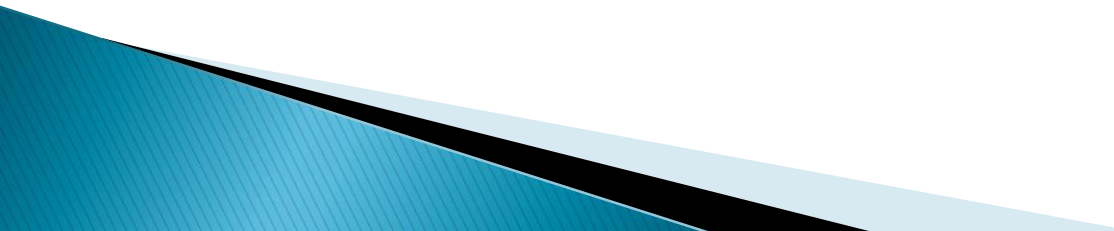
Presentation Outline

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 - ▶ How does the task force work
 - ▶ Some of the recent activities of the task force
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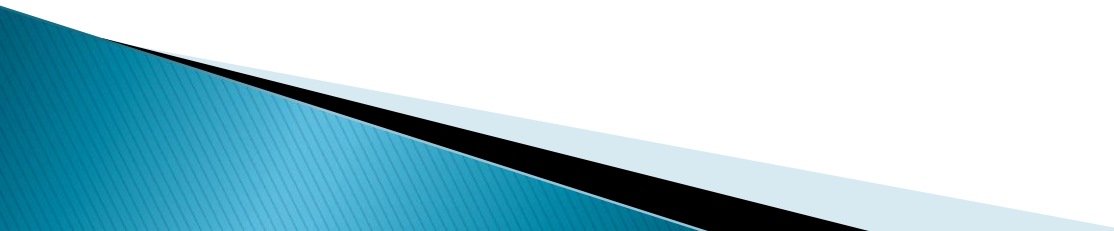
Why the Advocacy, Communication and Social Mobilization Task force

- ▶ Is informed by the WG (2006 – 2015) Strategic Objective 7: that promises to “Provide an enabling Infrastructure”
 - ▶ Comes against the backdrop that: 1) the WG is a focal point for discussion of vaccines development issues; 2) that it is an impartial broker among different stake-holder communities.
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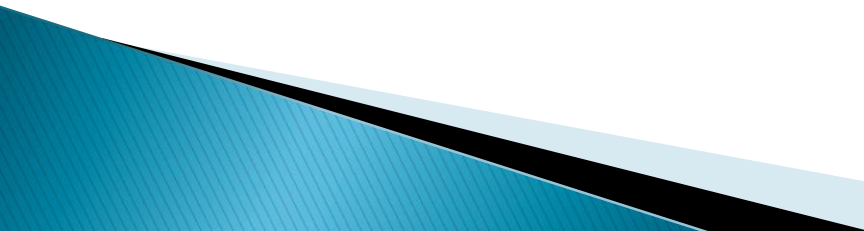
Importance of Advocacy Communication and Social Mobilization

- ▶ The Task force on Advocacy, Communications & Social Mobilization facilitates efforts to increase awareness and support for TB vaccine development at:
 - the community,
 - country and
 - global levels
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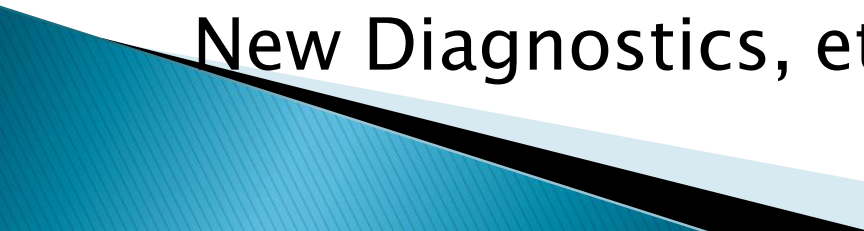
How does the Task force work?

- ▶ Engage communities and increase country and community level support for clinical trials
 - ▶ Working towards increasing political will and financial support for TB vaccine development (at international level)
 - ▶ Raise awareness about the need for new TB vaccines in different local and international forums
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Some of the Recent Advocacy Activities:

- Development of the vaccines comic book (June 2010)
 - Development and partial implementation of country level Advocacy plans for community Reps to the WG (August 2010)
 - Held a meeting in Cancun that led to refocusing of task force activities. (November 2009)
 - Participation in the 2nd South African TB conference Meeting in Durban (June 2010)
 - Participation in the world TB Day in our different countries.
 - Participation in the 2010 International AIDS Conference, Vienna (July 2010)
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Planned Activities

- Carry out more country-level advocacy and communications activities.
 - Continue with global advocacy and communications efforts to expand general knowledge about TB vaccine development
 - Community representatives to participate in Union World Conference on Lung Health; symposium on TB vaccines
 - Enhance relationships with other Working Groups and Task Forces Such as New Drugs, New Diagnostics, etc.
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Conclusion

- ▶ Advocacy task force recognizes the fact that the challenge of getting new TB vaccines is a very big one that cannot be solved by any one group of people. We call upon each one of us to incorporate advocacy in our different roles we are playing in New Vaccines development because it (Advocacy) is a cross-cutting function

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Conclusion Cont:...

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