# **TB Europe Coalition**

#### **CIVIL SOCIETY DRIVING THE TB RESPONSE**





## **TB/HIV** in WHO Europe region

- WHO Europe region is the only region in the world where HIV infection rates are on the rise;
- TB/HIV co-infection on the raise (doubling in the past four years);
- Treatment success rate dismal (41% at times lower than DR-TB treatment success rates);
- Person living with HIV and TB is 7x more likely to not complete treatment and 3x more likely to die than someone who only has TB;
- Of the 10 countries with the highest TB/HIV burden which make up 90% of the people living with both TB and HIV in the region, five are in the EU: Spain, France, Portugal, UK and Romania (other are Moldova, Russia, Ukraine, Uzbekistan and Kazakhstan);
- In 2015, only one high-prevalence country, Estonia, showed a decrease in the prevalence of HIV among TB patients;



# Integrated health systems in WHO Europe region

- Fragmented and disconnected service delivery systems – limited coordination and referral mechanisms;
- Global Fund withdrawal from WHO Europe region transition and sustainability;
- Increases in GDP are not accompanied by an increase of health spending, as a result TB and HIV programmes and services targeting vulnerable groups and key affected populations are often abandoned;



#### Who we are? What we do?

TB Europe Coalition is a regional advocacy network of civil society organisations and individuals from across the WHO Europe region.

Established in 2009, registered as a legal entity in 2018.

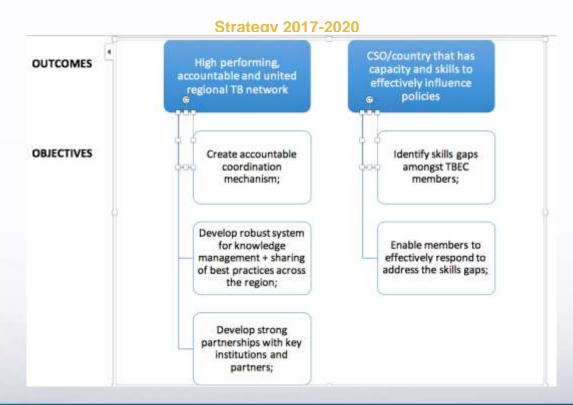
180 members across 35 countries in European region.

TWO key areas of focus:

- CAPACITY BUILDING support civil society organisations and activists in their advocacy role at national level;
- ADVOCACY coordinate and carry out evidence-based TB policy advocacy at regional and international level;

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Vision: A world free of TB Mission: Civil society driving the TB response



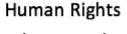


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#### Thematic areas

Financing (Domestic resources)

Technologies (New tools & Access to existing)



(People-centred care)



## **TBEC** projects

- Operational grant of 3<sup>rd</sup> EU Health Programme:
  - Network governance;
  - Advocacy at international and regional level;
  - Capacity building;
- TB REP project, supported by the Global Fund
  - supporting CSOs in their grassroots advocacy efforts in 11 countries in Eastern Europe and Central Asia;
- HUMANA project
  - Training of NTPs on importance and benefits of CSO in TB advocacy and service delivery;



## Thank you!

