

Now is the time to act on TB....



Global TB Caucus

TB is the world's biggest infectious killer. Last year it killed 1.7 million people, more than HIV and malaria combined.

Drug-resistant TB is an urgent threat to global health security. It comprises 1/3 of all antimicrobial resistance.

Europe and Central Asia has the fastest growing drug-resistant TB epidemic of any world region.

In 2015, world leaders agreed the Sustainable Development Goals. Goal 3.3 targets the end of TB by 2030. However, at the current rate of progress, we will miss that target by 180 years.

Political support is needed now more than ever to accelerate the fight to end TB and save millions of lives. The Global TB Caucus exists to bring together groups of parliamentarians from parliaments across the world to accelerate the response to TB. It has representation from 2,500 MPs in 132 UN-recognised countries

2018 – the year to end TB?

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The international community is waking up to the threat of the epidemic. The UN General Assembly agreed to host a High-Level Meeting on TB in 2018. This meeting will be the first time that Heads of State have discussed TB.

For the meeting to be a success, as many Heads of State as possible must commit to attend.

They must make ambitious commitments to scale up treatment and prevention, research and develop new drugs, diagnostics and vaccines, and for the world to properly fund TB, and agree a mechanism to hold leaders accountable for their promises.