

Catalytic Investments for the 2026-2028 Allocation Period (Grant Cycle 8)

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For Board Decision

Purpose of the paper: To provide the priorities, amounts and scenarios for the Grant Cycle 8 Catalytic Investments for Board decision.

Decision Point

GF/B52/DPXX: Catalytic Investments for the 2026-2028 allocation period (Grant Cycle 8 (GC8))

Based on the recommendation of the Strategy Committee (SC), as presented in GF/B52/08C, the Board:

1. Acknowledges that the total amount of sources of funds for allocation for GC8 will be decided by the Board in November 2025, based on the recommendation of the Audit and Finance Committee following announced replenishment results from the 8th Replenishment;
2. Approves that the total amount of funding for catalytic investments in GC8 will be determined by the total amount of sources of funds for allocation for GC8;
3. Approves catalytic priorities for GC8, based on the total amount of sources of funds for allocation, as set forth in Table 1 of GF/B52/XX, including catalytic priorities that remain unfunded by the Global Fund based on the total amount of funding available for catalytic investments for GC8;
4. Agrees that in the event that sources of funds for allocation for GC8 are above the midpoint of the funding range specified for any scenario in Table 1 of GF/B52/08C, the Secretariat may recommend to the Board to approve additional amounts for catalytic investments (up to 50% of the difference in total catalytic funding for the applicable scenario and the next higher funding scenario) to be invested in the priority areas for the next higher funding scenario in Table 1 of GF/B52/08C;
5. Agrees that in the event that private sector contribution to any of the priorities in Table 1 of GF/B52/08C is contingent upon a co-investment from allocation funding in the specified priority, the Secretariat may recommend to the Board to approve additional amounts for such priority for this co-investment purpose;
6. Agrees that catalytic investments will still be necessary should sources of funds for allocation for GC8 be less than US\$ 12.2 billion, but that amounts for specific priorities will need to be determined at a later date considering the latest data and considerations on leveraging private sector funding, based on recommendation by the Secretariat, in coordination with SC leadership, to the Board;
7. Approves that the Secretariat will:
 - i. have flexibility to operationalize catalytic investments;
 - ii. report to the SC and Board on such operationalization;
 - iii. have flexibility, within the total amount of funding for catalytic investments, to increase or decrease the amount for any approved priority by up to 15%, with the exception of reallocation to Board-approved, but unfunded, priorities which requires prior SC approval in all cases; and report to the SC on any such changes; and
 - iv. present any increase or decrease of an amount for any approved priority above 15% to the SC for approval; and
8. Agrees that the Secretariat will have delegated authority to increase the amount of funding available for the Emergency Fund and Blended Finance priorities using funding approved as available by the Audit and Finance Committee for portfolio optimization, and that

paragraph 7(iii) and (iv) above will not apply to increases to the Emergency Fund and Blended Finance priorities.

Budgetary Implications: Associated management costs for catalytic investments will be covered by catalytic investments and/or operating expenses as applicable.

Table 1 to GF/B52/08C

Priority	Components	Less than US\$ 12.26b	US\$ 12.26- US\$ 13.2b	US\$ 13.2- US\$ 14.2b	US\$ 14.2- US\$ 15.2b	\$15.2b and above
NextGen Market Shaping & Response	Accelerate innovation and scaled use of products	Amounts to be recommended*	100	120	175	234
	Promote sustainable regional manufacturing ecosystems		10	15	50	60
	Environmentally sustainable supply, delivery & distribution		0	5	5	6
Emergency Fund			20	20	40	40
Address Human Rights and Gender Barriers			40	70	90	100
Build Community Networks & Engagement			20	50	70	90
Supporting Sustainability and Transition from Global Fund Financing	Responsible preparation for sustainability and transition to maintain progress against HTM, including across borders		20	40	45	45
	Blended Finance		0	10	10	10
	Public Financial Management		0	10	25	30
Optimizing RSSH	Reinforcing impact of focused, integrated RSSH-PPR investments in HRH/CHWs, surveillance and lab		50	50	50	75
	Improved HTM outcomes through integration with reproductive, maternal, newborn and STI services					
Climate and Health <i>*differentiated priority per GC7 mid-cycle investment</i>		0	10	40	110	
			260M	400M	600M	800M

*Catalytic investments will still be necessary should sources of funds for allocation for GC8 be less than US\$ 12.26 billion. The Secretariat will make a recommendation on these amounts to the Board in such a scenario.

Executive Summary

Context

Catalytic investments for Grant Cycle 8 (GC8) are important to address mission critical needs in the delivery of the Strategy that are not adequately addressed through country allocations alone; and, to mobilize investment, including from private and non-traditional donors, that advance the Strategy.

To recommend catalytic investments for GC8, the Secretariat, Strategy Committee (SC) and technical and community partners reviewed lessons learned from previous cycles. These informed the development of the principles, methodology and areas of focus necessary to deliver the Strategy, in line with a prioritization approach endorsed by SC in July 2024. As the Board is requested to approve the catalytic investments before the outcome of the 8th Replenishment is known, the recommended catalytic priorities are grouped under different funding scenarios. This paper provides an overview of the approach to develop the catalytic investments, their prioritization, associated amounts and the outcomes under different funding scenarios.

Questions this paper addresses

- A. How were the recommended catalytic priorities determined?
- B. What are the Secretariat and SC-recommended catalytic priorities for GC8, based on consultations with technical partners, lessons learned and the SC-endorsed methodology, principles and prioritization approach?
- C. How are the recommended catalytic priorities grouped under different funding scenarios?
- D. How will these be operationalized?

Conclusions

- A. This paper presents the Secretariat and SC-recommended catalytic priorities for GC8 in Table 1 of GF/B52/08C (“Table 1”).
- B. The recommended catalytic priorities were determined based on a methodology, principles and prioritization approach endorsed by the SC in July 2024. The Secretariat and SC-recommended priorities reflect consultations with technical partners and stakeholders, input from independent evaluations, including the Strategic Review 2023 (SR2023)¹, and lessons learned from previous and current cycles.
- C. The Board is requested to approve scenarios for catalytic priorities and amounts. As this will be before the replenishment outcome is known, the recommended catalytic priorities

¹ Including Strategic Review 2023 (SR2023): https://archive.theglobalfund.org/media/14284/archive_bm51-10a-2023-strategic-review_report_en.pdf

and amounts for GC8 are grouped into funding scenarios of US\$260 million to US\$800 million and provided in Table 1.

Input Sought

- The Board is requested to approve catalytic priorities and their associated amounts for GC8 under the catalytic funding scenarios, detailed in Annex 1.

Report

How were the recommended Catalytic Priorities determined?

- Following the April 2024 Board meeting, the catalytic investment priority development process was accelerated by six months (from May 2025 to November 2024) based on revised allocation timelines. From May 2024, the Secretariat developed a methodology that built from the experiences of the past cycles, evaluations and partner feedback. The methodology included principles, criteria by which to assess proposed catalytic investment priorities (see Figure 1) and preliminary themes based on the Global Fund Strategy and emerging opportunities for innovation and acceleration. These themes could not be sufficiently addressed through grants alone and many presented an opportunity to mobilize or crowd in additive resources from private sector partners.

Figure 1: Catalytic Investments Prioritization Criteria for GC8



- In July 2024, the SC endorsed the methodology. The SC requested the Secretariat apply further prioritization to the themes shared; develop a process to address private sector investment; and determine minimum funding amounts required per priority to make an impact.
- From July through September, the Secretariat continued to engage with technical partners and stakeholders (see Table 2) to further prioritize and shape GC8 catalytic investment priorities. Partners voiced diverse positions, but there were consistent themes (see Annex 4 – feedback and how it was incorporated). Components/investments not compliant with the criteria were not included in the proposed priorities. As directed by the SC and partners, the engagement process also led to the prioritization of a limited set of priorities

associated with funding in all funding scenarios. These priorities were associated with the highest risk if not funded and have the fewest options to be addressed through other levers. Partner feedback reinforced the prioritization of these priorities in all scenarios.

Table 2: Partner consultations on GC8 Catalytic Investments

Partner Forums	Dates (2024)
HIV Situation Room	May 21, June 6, July 31
TB Situation Room	May 22, August 28, September 11
Malaria Partners	May 24, June 18, August 29, September 2
Joint Working Group	June 11, September 17
Joint Partner Consultation	June 19
Situation Room Co-Chairs Meeting	September 13
Community Partners Consultation	June 27, September 17
Bilateral and constituency	October, November

- Accelerated timelines created greater imperative for flexibility and ongoing consultation with partners. With more than two years before operationalization of the catalytic investments starting from January 2027, *preliminary* proposals must leave room for learning from the GC7 catalytic investments and adjustment in response to a dynamic context. As a result, proposing indicative modalities at the time of priority approval is not realistic. Modalities will be determined in coordination with partners based on the totality of funding realized following the Replenishment.

Recommended catalytic priorities

- The Secretariat and SC recommended catalytic priorities for GC8 are presented in Table 1. A link to the detailed proposals of all catalytic priorities is available in Annex 5. The proposals describe the rationale, opportunities, theory of change, sustainability considerations and learning from previous investments.
- Based on the principles, methodology and criteria endorsed by SC, the proposed GC8 catalytic investment priorities are oriented around the urgent challenges and opportunities that catalytic investments are positioned to address (rather than starting with current or previous catalytic investments as the baseline). As a result, the proposed priorities integrate critical elements of existing catalytic investments, as well as new elements.
- Also in the methodology, the catalytic investment priorities serve as an important lever to mobilize resources with the private sector. As requested by the SC, and based on the

learnings of GC7, the Secretariat developed a differentiated approach to support additive private sector investment, while maintaining agility for existing and emerging potential investments. Per the Decision Point, the Secretariat and SC:

- Request Board approval for priorities at zero in any scenario such that *unfunded priorities are nonetheless Board-approved priorities*. Should sufficient resources² become available, the priority could be operationalized through private sector contributions.
- Requests flexibility for the Secretariat recommend to the Board to approve additional amounts for catalytic investments should private sector contribution to any of the catalytic investment priorities be contingent upon co-investment from the allocation (as with GC7, this may only be known later in the process).

This approach maintains the principle of ensuring sufficient resources for the most critical priorities. It likewise affirms grants as a key source of complementary co-investment for private sector contributions.

8. Where elements of the 2023-2025 catalytic investments can be mainstreamed into grants or other levers, this will be prioritized. However, there are critical elements of the current catalytic investments that are either structurally not possible within grants, or that may require additive catalytic investment support.
 - a. **NextGen Market Shaping and Response:** evolving investment from GC7, retaining focus on market shaping through mechanisms such as the Revolving Facility and Access Fund. In GC8, the investment aims to strengthen in-country readiness for the uptake of innovations and increase focus on response to biological threats and environmental sustainability.
 - b. **Emergency Fund:** continuing investment from GC7, with increased emphasis on coordination with the humanitarian sector and maximizing agility.
 - c. **Address Human Rights and Gender Barriers:** Evolving investment with expanded focus on efforts to mitigate the global backlash against human rights and gender, and imperative to sustain gains through grants.
 - d. **Build Community Networks and Engagement:** continuing investment, with increased focus on innovative approaches to engage communities in health sector governance and service delivery arrangements. This priority will include investments delivered in GC7 through the “Key populations sustainability and impact” priority, elements of which may not be feasible to effectively transition to grants.
 - e. **Supporting Sustainability and Transition from Global Fund Financing:** the proposed GC8 priority maintains limited elements of the investments currently delivered through the GC7 “Health Financing” priority, with the majority of those investments transitioning to grants. The proposed GC8 priority focuses on new initiatives to increase sustainability and value for money and support responsible preparation for transition. It also includes investments to sustain gains and prevent

² Each priority proposal includes the minimum amount required to effectively operationalize the investments. In order to operationalize priorities with no associated sources of funds from the allocation, the minimum amount would need to be met through private sector pledges.

backsliding in regions nearing malaria elimination, previously supported through the “Malaria Elimination in Southern Africa” and “Resistance to Artemisinin Initiative (RAI)” priorities, some elements of which are difficult to support within grants.

- f. **Optimizing RSSH:** the proposed GC8 priority includes elements of the GC7 “Incentivizing RSSH quality and scale” priority, focused on incentivizing robust, equitable, efficient and sustainable approaches for building integrated people-centered systems and services. The GC8 priority is more tailored, with explicit focus on two critical areas: (1) Reinforcing impact of focused, integrated RSSH-PPR investments in HRH/CHWs, surveillance and lab; and (2) Improving HTM Outcomes through Integration with Reproductive, Maternal, Newborn and STI services.
- i. Reinforcing impact of focused, integrated RSSH-PPR investments in HRH/CHWs, surveillance and lab: This component reflects an evolution of the GC7 “Effective Community Systems & Responses (CS&R)” and “Integrated Lab Systems Strengthening” priorities. While many of the GC7 investments will transition to grants, the proposed GC8 component will focus on: (1) greater sustainability and value for money within community health investments, by integrating CHWs into national HRH systems and maximizing efficiencies across platforms and disease programs; (2) building capacity of regional institutions to maintain gains and harmonize laboratory investments across countries to increase sustainability, coordination and value for money through “mutualization” of regional resources; and (3) strengthening collaborative surveillance to improve HTM and public health outcomes.
 - ii. Improving HTM Outcomes through Integration with Reproductive, Maternal, Newborn and STI services – This component contains some limited elements of the GC7 priorities focused on “HIV Incidence Reduction” and “Finding and Successfully treating the missing people with DS-TB and DR-TB”. However, wherever possible, these investments will be transitioned to grants.
- g. **Climate and Health:** the proposed GC8 priority will evolve potential investments for GC7 following Board-approval for a mid-cycle catalytic investment in this area. The priority includes limited elements of Digital Health Impact Accelerator (DHIA) component (part of the GC7 “Incentivizing RSSH Quality and Scale” priority), with the majority of DHIA support transitioning to grants.

Table 3: Evolution of Catalytic Investments from GC7 to GC8

GC7 Catalytic Investment Priorities		GC8 Catalytic Investment Priorities
HIV	Key populations sustainability and impact	Community Networks and Engagement
	Incidence reduction for KP, AGYW and sexual partners	
TB	Find & successfully treat the missing people with DS-TB and DR-TB	Optimizing RSSH
Malaria	Malaria Elimination in Southern Africa	Supporting Sustainability and Transition from Global Fund Financing
	Resistance to Artemisinin Initiative (RAI)	
RSSH & Crosscutting	Health Financing	
	Remove human rights & gender related barriers	Address Human Rights & Gender Barriers
	Community engagement	Build Community Networks and Engagement
	Equitable access to innovation and health products through NextGen Market Shaping	NextGen Market Shaping & Response
	Emergency Fund	Emergency Fund
	Effective community systems & responses	Optimizing RSSH
	Incentivizing RSSH quality and scale	

Grouping into funding scenarios

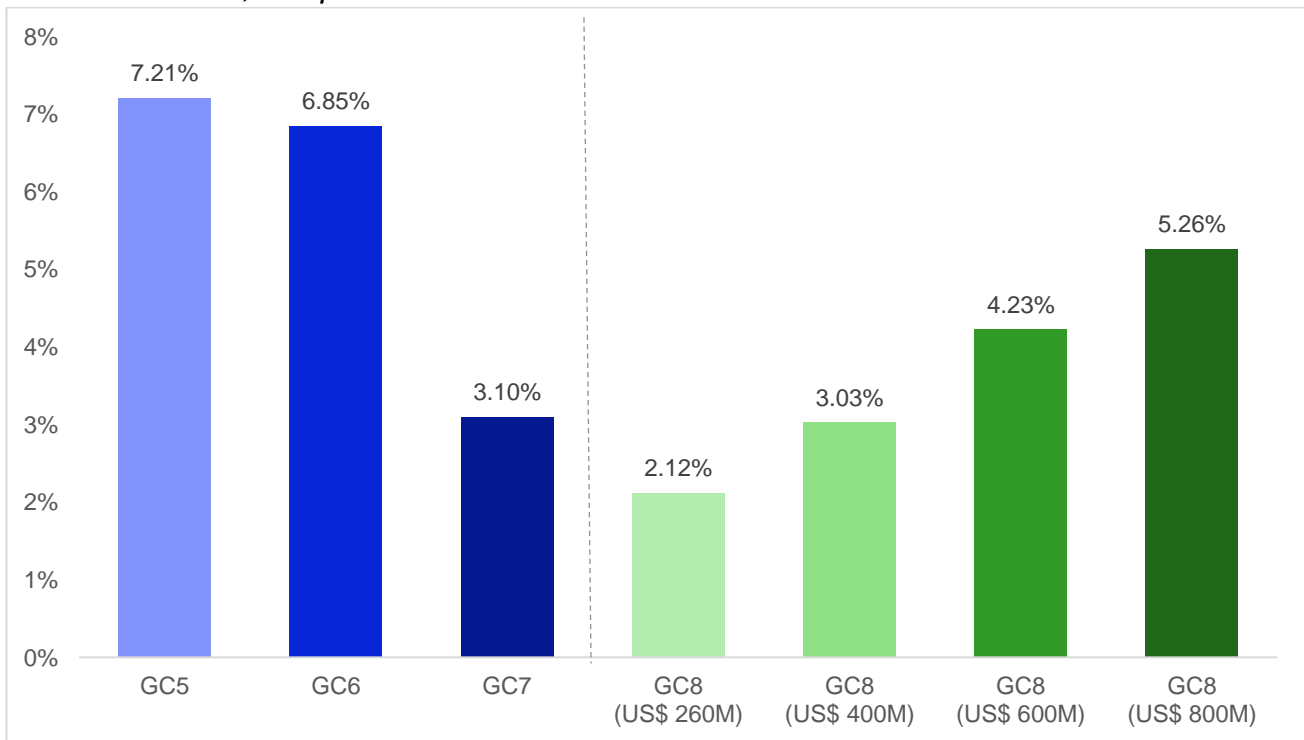
9. Priority proposals (Annex 5) include minimum, optimal and scale funding requirements. These amounts reflect estimates based on historical costs for similar types of investments.
 - a. *Minimum* funding is the lowest amount within which a subset of the activities could be operationalized, while achieving meaningful results and maintaining sufficient value for money.
 - b. *Optimal* funding reflects the optimal amount to operationalize the investments outlined in the proposal.
 - c. *Scale* funding represents the upper range of investments to be operationalized as a catalytic investment, expanding the scale of investments without revising the strategic scope outlined in the proposal. This amount does not represent a ceiling should additive funds become available, while acknowledging the opportunity for potential strategic shifts that could arise with investment above scale.
10. To prepare for different Replenishment outcomes, the total amounts for catalytic investments are grouped into scenarios of US\$ 260 million³ to US\$ 800 million. The

³ The lowest scenario originally proposed by the Secretariat was US\$ 200M but increased based on SC feedback during the October 2024 SC to US\$ 260M.

lowest scenario at US\$260 million was defined based on the priorities identified as critical (inclusive of SC feedback) and the minimum amounts required to operationalize them. The highest scenario at US\$ 800 million is aligned with the highest level of funding and centralized capacity previously operationalized through catalytic investments, at US\$ 890 million in the 2020-2023 allocation period (Grant Cycle 6). Iterations between at US\$ 400 million and US \$600 million allow for priorities to move to optimal and scale investment levels.

11. Given the interdependence with country allocations, some priorities increase at faster rates alongside grants (e.g. NextGen Market Shaping & Response; Address Human Rights and Gender; Build Community Networks & Engagement) to catalyze and support those investments. Other priorities have slower rates of increase given the space available with higher grant resources to invest in these areas (e.g. Optimizing RSSH; Supporting Sustainability and Transition from Global Fund Financing).
12. The catalytic scenario amounts are linked to ranges of available sources of funds for allocation, as outlined in GF/B52/08B. The following principles guided the approach to determine catalytic funding amounts at different levels of available sources of funds for allocation:
 - a. Do no harm: protect continuity of essential services in the country allocations;
 - b. Enable allocations to reach previous funding levels at similar levels of sources of funds for allocation as in GC7;
 - c. Enable scale-up in overall allocations for the highest burden countries;
 - d. Avoid reversing or significantly slowing down disease allocation increases resulting from the GDS change.
13. As outlined in further detail in GF/B52/08B, the SC recommends setting aside funding for CIs at sources of funds for allocation of US\$12.26 billion and above. In the scenario where sources of funds for allocation are US\$ 12.26 billion, setting aside US\$ 260 million for CIs results in US\$ 12 billion for country allocations, which represents the point at which all three diseases are at or above their cost of essential programming (CoEP) funding levels.
14. Scenarios below US\$ 12.26 billion are not presented to the Board. As outlined in the Decision Point, in the event of such an outcome, catalytic investments will remain necessary and the Secretariat, in coordination with SC leadership, will provide the Board with an updated recommendation on catalytic investment priorities and amounts that responds to the latest data and considerations on leveraging private sector funding.

Figure 2: Recommended GC8 catalytic investment scenarios as a % of available sources of funds, compared to historical amounts



Operationalization of Catalytic Investments

22. The Secretariat will operationalize catalytic investments with attention to:
 - a. Recommendations from previous reviews, including SR2023, and emerging performance data from the GC7 catalytic investments.
 - b. Review of operational approaches that provide for more impactful investment in community led and based organizations in areas where they have clear comparative advantage.
 - c. Feedback from partners and SC to define indicative implementation modalities, assessing options to reduce complexity, streamline and maximize efficiency. The determination of modalities will be informed by performance data and emerging lessons learned from GC7. An update on progress toward indicative modality determination will be reported to the SC at its 27th meeting in March 2025.
 - d. Complementarity of investments across priorities, based on actual priority funding levels.

23. To drive overall absorption of catalytic funds and address evolving needs over the course of the allocation period, the Secretariat and SC request delegated authority to increase or decrease the amount approved for any catalytic priority by up to 15%, within the total amount of funding available for catalytic investments, with reporting to the SC on any

such changes. Increases or decreases above 15% will be presented to the SC for approval.

24. The Secretariat and SC request delegated authority to increase the amount available for the Emergency Fund and Blended Finance catalytic investments using funds made available by the AFC for portfolio optimization. This reflects the unique nature of the Emergency Fund which exists to address emergencies that cannot be predicted. For Blended Finance, the ability to replenish allows the Global Fund to proactively scope potential opportunities with partners in an ongoing way, given that potential funding availability is a pre-requisite to negotiating impactful transactions. In addition, size, scope and timing of blended finance transactions may vary; replenishable funding can support the Global Fund to respond to these transaction specific dynamics. The approach is also in line with the Board's request to the Secretariat to continue pursuing innovative finance opportunities⁴.
25. Catalytic funding is one of many levers to address mission-critical priorities, used to complement and incentivize the effective use of country allocations to maximize impact throughout the grant lifecycle. Other levers include (1) allocation letters that highlight important considerations; (2) policies, investment guidance and TRP review; and (3) qualitative adjustment process. Partners play an integral role in determining how funds are used through funding request development and technical assistance, while the country coordinating mechanism ensures programs are adapted to country needs.
26. The Secretariat will continue to maximize all available levers, including for catalytic priorities that are not funded in GC8.

⁴ [GF/B46/DP04](#)

Annexes

The following items can be found in the Annex:

- Annex 1: Catalytic Investment Scenarios
- Annex 2: Relevant Past Board Decisions
- Annex 3: Feedback from Partner Consultations
- [Annex 4: 2026-2028 \(Grant Cycle 8\) Catalytic Investment Proposals](#)

Annex 1 - Catalytic Investment Scenarios

Priority	Components	Less than US\$ 12.26b	US\$ 12.26- US\$ 13.2b	US\$ 13.2- US\$ 14.2b	US\$ 14.2- US\$ 15.2b	\$15.2b and above
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Supporting Sustainability and Transition from Global Fund Financing	Responsible preparation for sustainability and transition to maintain progress against HTM, including across borders		20	40	45	45
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Annex 3 – Relevant Past Board Decisions

Relevant past Decision Point	Summary and Impact
<p>GF/B48/DP04: Sources and Uses of Funds for the 2023–2025 Allocation Period⁵ (November 2022)</p>	<p>The Board approved USD 0.4 billion for catalytic investments, inclusive of an additional US\$ 0.200 billion based on the recommendation of the Strategy Committee, as presented in GF/B48/03A – Revision 1.</p> <p>The Board approved US\$ 12.903 billion as sources of funds for allocation.</p>
<p>GF/B47/DP06: Catalytic Investments for the 2023–2025 Allocation Period⁶ (May 2022)</p>	<p>The Board approved catalytic investments for the 2023 –2025 allocation period as set forth in the scenarios under GF/B47/DP06 and approved that the total amount of funding for catalytic investments in the 2023-2025 allocation period would be determined by the total amount of sources of funds for allocation for the 2023-2025 allocation period.</p> <p>Agreed that in the event that sources of funds for allocation for the 2023-2025 allocation period were above the midpoint of the funding range specified for any scenario under GF/B47/DP06, the Secretariat could recommend to the Board to approve additional amounts for Catalytic Investments⁷.</p> <p>Agreed that the Secretariat will have delegated authority to increase the amount of funding available for the Emergency Fund, by up to 50% of the amount approved for this priority, using funding approved as available by the Audit and Finance Committee for portfolio optimization.</p>

⁵ [GF/B48/DP04](#)

⁶ [GF/B47/DP06](#)

⁷ By up to 50% of the difference in total catalytic funding for the applicable scenario and the next higher funding scenario.

Annex 4: Feedback from Partner Consultations

Feedback	How Feedback was Integrated
<p>Prioritization: partners expressed the broadest support for four (4) catalytic investment priorities: NextGen Market Shaping and Response, Emergency Fund, Address Human Rights and Gender Barriers and Build Community Networks & Engagement</p>	<p>These four (4) priorities were identified as essential, in line with the prioritization criteria, and are maintained in all scenarios.</p>
<p>Specificity and clarity: partners highlighted the need to use accessible, plain language that clearly conveys the planned investments</p>	<p>Priority and component titles were revised to increase clarity. Priority proposals are concise, focused and avoid jargon wherever possible.</p>
<p>Resource mobilization considerations: partners were largely supportive of efforts to leverage catalytic investments as a tool for resource mobilization, but expressed a desire for transparency into the process and potential donors</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Relevant adjustments to support private sector investment are clear in the decision point • The Global Fund will continue to implement the Amended and Restated Policy on Restricted Financial Contributions
<p>Number of catalytic investments and components: while partner feedback was diverse, with some partners calling for additional priorities in specific areas, most partners expressed the importance of a small, highly prioritized set of catalytic investments, with some partners advocating for no catalytic investments to retain as much funding as possible for country allocations</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Four (4) priorities are highlighted as essential, with funding focused there in lower scenarios • The lowest scenario (US\$ 200 million) for catalytic investments is only triggered at US\$ 12.2 billion to protect continuity of essential services • The seven (7) priorities proposed for GC8 are the lowest amount over the past three cycles, compared to 23 approved priorities in GC6 and 12 in GC7.
<p>Other available levers: partners urged that all other available levers, including country allocations and set asides be explored to support the proposed priorities</p>	<p>The priority proposals include explicit detail about the available levers for each priority, their advantages and constraints, and the basis upon which the investments are recommended via a catalytic investment modality</p>
<p>Focus on key populations and communities: partners highlighted the importance of attention to key populations and communities <i>across all priorities</i>, not only the Human Rights & Gender and Community Networks & Engagement priorities.</p>	<p>Priority proposals highlight early planning to engage and support key populations and communities, to maximize impact. The Secretariat will work with partners following priority approval to build out meaningful activities responsive to key populations and communities.</p>

<p>Partners highlighted that in lower funding scenarios, key populations and communities in middle income countries (MIC) may require particular support through catalytic investments.</p>	
<p>Disease-specific support: within the cross-cutting, non-disease specific priorities, partners requested additional insight on how these investments would directly support HTM impacts.</p>	<p>Priority proposals incorporate detail to illustrate how the proposed investments will impact HTM and RSSH.</p>