

# WORLD CONFERENCE ON LUNG HEALTH 2023

TRANSFORMING EVIDENCE INTO PRACTICE

## Speakers' Scholarship Policy

After three years of virtual conferences, we are excited to announce that The Union World Conference on Lung Health 2023 will be held in person in Paris from 15-18 November.

During the period of the virtual conferences (2020 to 2022) we were able to make the conference accessible to affected TB communities by offering free online registration and participation. We had hoped to be able to offer something similar for the 2023 conference and extend this to some speakers, as we did prior to 2020. However, this requires funding from sponsors.

At the present time, we have secured funding to cover the cost of some speakers in the "TBScience" stream, but we have not yet been successful in securing funding for full scholarships (registration, travel and accommodation) for any delegates or speakers for the main conference. We are still working on this.

As much as we would like to offer scholarships to deserving candidates to attend the Conference, the current situation has made it impossible for us to do so. We understand the disappointment and frustration this may cause for many of you who were counting on our support, especially from low- and middle-income countries. We encourage you to explore other opportunities for financial aid.

We understand the impact that scholarships have on your professional growth, and we will remain committed to exploring alternative options to support you during these difficult times.

Thank you for your understanding, and we hope to be able to offer scholarships for the Union Conference in the future.