

DDI Alliance Executive Board Meeting

16 January 2024

Present: Cathy Fitch, Jon Johnson, Jared Lyle, Johan Fihn Marberg, Steve McEachern

Strategy

Discussed the draft 2024-27 strategic plan compiled by Jon and Jared. Several Board members provided in-line comments directly within the document.

As next steps: 1) Jon, Steve, and Jared will discuss the draft with the Scientific Board chairs at a quarterly coordination call in two weeks; 2) The Scientific Board will be able to review and provide feedback in the coming month or two; 3) By March, the plan will be shared with the entire community for feedback (timed with the annual call for funding, with encouragement to map funding requests to strategic directions); 4) The plan will be finalized at the annual meeting; 5) Thereafter, activities should be mapped to groups/individuals for coordination.

Membership Levels and Benefits

Jared requested a review of the existing DDI Alliance levels of membership (including benefits), especially to strengthen incentives for new and existing full members.

Board members discussed the history of membership levels and benefits. As a next step, Johan and Jon will initiate a review, with consultation with Cory, and Mari Kleemola and Leanne Trimble (both were involved in a previous review of membership levels). Johan and Jon will report back to the Board in March.