





# Welcome to the 16<sup>th</sup> annual meeting!

In **October 2003**, the DOTS Expansion Working Group agreed to create a Childhood TB subgroup.

We have had **annual meetings from October 2004** onwards:

As subgroup: 2004 Paris; 2005 Paris; 2006 Paris; 2007 Cape Town; 2008 Paris; 2009 Cancun; 2010 Berlin; 2011 Lille; 2012 Kuala Lumpur; 2013 Paris; 2014 Barcelona; 2015 Cape Town; 2016 Liverpool & from January 2017 <u>as Working group</u> also including a focus on adolescents: 2017 Kigali; 2018 The Hague; 2019 Hyderabad

**Membership** has grown from: 23 members in 2004 -> 59 in 2007 - > 380 members (not including WHO staff) at present

Main purpose the annual meetings: Provide a forum for exchange of global developments and country experiences









## Today's programme on contact investigation & prevention



#### **Morning programme (8:45-12:45):**

**Introduction:** Report from the Chair & Update on the new Global Fund cycle and opportunities for childhood TB by Anna Scardigli, the Global Fund

Session 1: Screening, contact investigation and prevention — Chaired by Connie Erkens (KNCV Tuberculosis Foundation) with presentations on: Improving childhood TB detection through facility-based integrated approaches in Kinshasa, DRC by Aime Loando (EGPAF); Paediatric TB transmission outside the household by Leo Martinez (Stanford University) with Ben Marais as discussant; TB screening in migrant children by Nicole Ritz (University of Basel); Maternal TB and implications for neonates by Jyoti Mathad (Weill Cornell) as well as a panel discussion with representatives from countries, the private sector and communities on contact investigation and prevention. The morning programme will end with a game on prevention facilitated by Shakil Ahmed.

At 10:00, just prior to the coffee break, we will take a **group photo** 







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#### **Afternoon programme (14:00- 17:00):**

Session 2: Developments in diagnosis of TB in children and adolescents – Steve Graham (University of Melbourne & The Union) will facilitate a panel discussion on the use of new diagnostic tools (Ultra, Fuji LAM, digital CXR), alternative specimens (NPA and stool), and improving TB diagnosis in children with HIV, pneumonia and malnutrition followed by Q&A

Session 3: Developments in treatment of DS and DR-TB in children and adolescents — chaired by Tony Garcia Prats (DTTC). This session starts with a call for data for the new Unitaid granted BENEFIT Kids project followed by presentations on the SHINE trial by Di Gibb and Vidya Mave; the Use of new drugs for children with DR-TB by Alena Skrahina; and, experiences with the prevention of DR-TB including an update on the TB CHAMP trial by Simon Schaaf (DTTC).







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**Session 4: Peer-reviewed publications <u>not</u> to be missed** – chaired by Ben Marais during which James Seddon will present summaries of selected peer-reviewed articles

Wrap up and closing at 17:00 in time for the Official Opening of the 50<sup>th</sup> Union World Conference on Lung Health (starting at 18:00)



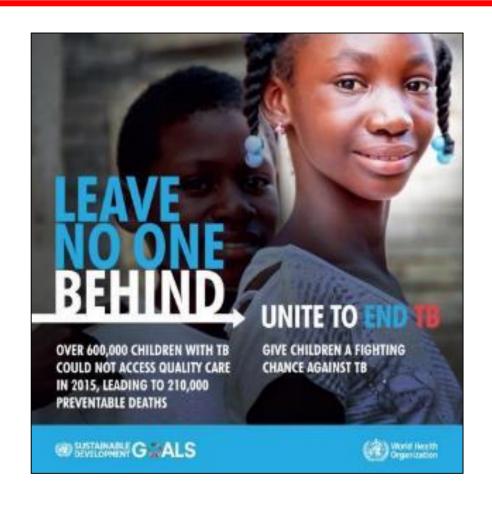






### A warm welcome to all!





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