



FIND & NDWG Symposium



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13:00 - 17:00



Marriott Hotel, Room A1
The Hague, Netherlands



Chairpersons
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AGENDA

13:00 - 13:30 Welcome coffee

Welcome and introduction: Catharina Boehme and Daniela Cirillo

Video: *You can't treat what you don't know. Stories of tuberculosis diagnosis*

From the UN High-Level Meeting on Tuberculosis to finding all patient

Eric Goosby, UN Special Envoy on Tuberculosis

Session 1: Updates on the global TB diagnostics pipeline (14:00-15:00)

- Progress in the TB diagnostics pipeline and in the development of triage tests
Claudia Denkinger, FIND
- Point of care molecular technologies - challenges to meeting the ASSURED criteria
Jim Gallarda, Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation
- WHO Rapid Communication: Key changes to treatment of multidrug- and rifampicin-resistant tuberculosis and the implications for diagnostics
Christopher Gilpin, World Health Organization

Session 2: Panel discussion - A new priority for TB diagnosis: active case finding strategies to catalyse country efforts (15:00-16:15)

The panel discussion will highlight the key role of active case finding as a complementary strategy to passive approaches to ensure early diagnosis and treatment of TB patients and reduce transmission. Panelists will discuss which risk groups should be screened as a priority and which interventions should be considered in order to maximize impact.

Introduction and moderator: Liz Corbett, London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine

Panelists

Sarabjit Chadha, FIND India

Keertan Dheda, University of Cape Town, South Africa

Titus Divala, University of Malawi

Hamidah Hussain, IRD Global, Pakistan

Nestani Tukvadze, National Center for Tuberculosis and Lung Diseases, Georgia

Session 3: NDWG Task Forces - Accelerating development of new tests to end TB (16:15-16:45)

- Real-time sequencing in the real world of TB - are we ready for prime time?
Camilla Rodrigues, Hinduja Hospital
- Bm2Dx: the one-stop-shop for TB diagnostic biomarker evidence, quality and R&D progress
Tobias Broger, FIND

Closing remarks: Catharina Boehme and Daniela Cirillo