



## Working Group on New Diagnostics

ANNUAL MEETING

Friday, 9 November 2007, 13:00 - 17:30

Roof Terrace Room, International Conference Centre, Cape Town

*Come and hear what's new in diagnostics for TB*

The Stop TB Partnership Working Group on New Diagnostics cordially invites you to its annual meeting that will be held in conjunction with the 38<sup>th</sup> Union World Conference on Lung Health.

The Working Group on New TB Diagnostics aims to coordinate and facilitate the development of widely accessible diagnostic tests to accelerate control of the global TB epidemic. The Working Group has recently gone through an important restructuring and expansion and will focus on a wider range of activities.

Don't miss this opportunity to obtain information about the latest findings and tools being developed in the TB diagnostics field.

A light lunch will be served before the meeting at 12:30.

**Chair:** Dr. Giorgio Roscigno, Foundation for Innovative New Diagnostics, Geneva

**Secretariat:** Andy Ramsay, Tropical Disease Research Program (TDR), WHO.

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*(Meeting agenda overleaf)*

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### AGENDA

- 13:00**    **Welcome**  
*Dr Giorgio Roscigno (Chair) / Andy Ramsay (Secretariat)*
- 13:05**    **The Stop TB Partnership and the Working Group on New Diagnostics**  
*Dr Marcos Antonio Espinal Fuentes (Executive Secretary of the Stop TB Partnership)*
- 13:15**    **New Organization of WG on New Diagnostics**  
*Dr Giorgio Roscigno (Chair) / Andy Ramsay (Secretariat)*
- 13:25**    **The Process of “Retooling”**  
*Dr Vinand Nantulya (FIND)*
- 13:35**    **Diagnostics research agenda of the WG on MDR-TB**  
*Dr Frank Cobelens (KNCV)*
- 13:45**    **New Diagnostics and Laboratory Capacity Strengthening**  
*Dr John Ridderhof (Chair of Subgroup on Lab Capacity Strengthening of DOTS Expansion WG)*
- 13:55**    **DISCUSSION**
- 14:15**    **Cost-effectiveness of new diagnostics for tuberculosis**  
*Dr David Bishai (John Hopkins University)*
- 14:25**    **Standardizing the bleach method - Report from Mathare**  
*Dr Maryline Bonnet (Epicentre)*
- 14:35**    **The FIND-Zeiss LED Fluorescence Microscope**  
*Dr CN Paramasivan (FIND)*
- 14:45**    **DISCUSSION**
- 15:00**    **Coffee Break**
- 15:30**    **MGIT liquid culture: the South African experience**  
*Dr Karin Weyer (Medical Research Council of South Africa)*
- 15:40**    **The MODS assay: progress towards wider implementation**  
*Dr David Moore (Imperial College London)*
- 15:50**    **DISCUSSION**
- 16:05**    **The Hain Test: New reports from South Africa and Tanzania**  
*Dr Heidi Albert (FIND)*
- 16.15**    **Progress on the LAMP assay for TB diagnosis**  
*Dr Tetsu Hase (EIKEN)*
- 16:25**    **Towards a serological test for tuberculosis**  
*Dr Marila Gennaro (New Jersey Medical School)*
- 16:35**    **DISCUSSION**
- 16:50**    **“Dying for a TB test” - The perspective of the MSF Access Campaign**  
*Dr Tido von Schoen-Angerer (Médecins Sans Frontières)*
- 17:00**    **The Working Group on New Diagnostics: Next Steps**  
*Dr Giorgio Roscigno (Chair) / Andy Ramsay (Secretariat)*
- 17:05**    **DISCUSSION**
- 17:25**    **Conclusion and close of meeting**  
*Dr Giorgio Roscigno (Chair)*