



### **AGENDA**

Holiday Inn, 123 Rivonia Road Sandton, Johannesburg, South Africa

16 - 17 March 2016

This is the agenda for the United Nations Secretary-General's High-Level Panel on Access to Medicines ("the High-Level Panel") and its Expert Advisory Group. <u>Each Hearing and Dialogue covers a unique set of contributions</u>. The Thought Leaders' Forum and Global Dialogue are co-hosted by the High-Level Panel and the Department of Health, Republic of South Africa. All events take place in Johannesburg at the **Cullinan Room (9**<sup>th</sup> floor) at the Holiday Inn, 123 Rivonia Road, Sandton as follows:

- **16 March (08:30 17:30): Hearing** to engage with contributors, including sessions on key topics relevant to the High-Level Panel's enquiry.
- **16 March (18:30 20:30): Thought Leaders' Forum** on "Promoting Innovation and Access in the Context of Human Rights: Perspectives on Current Challenges and Future Possibilities".
- 17 March (08:30 14:45): The Global Dialogue is an interactive conversation facilitated by Andrew Jack of the *Financial Times*. Invited stakeholders, including governments, industry, civil society, and academia share ideas and inputs on contributions that aim to strengthen the policy coherence for promoting innovation and access to health technologies.

# Wednesday 16 March 2016

# **HEARING**

The aim of the Hearing is to review and discuss key contributions, and hear from a selection of experts working on issues relevant to the High-Level Panel's enquiry.

TIME	TOPIC	
8:30 – 8:35	WELCOME Ruth Dreifuss, High-Level Panel Co-chair	
8:35 – 8:45	PROGRESS UPDATE  Mandeep Dhaliwal, High-Level Panel Secretariat	
	PERSPECTIVES FROM GOVERNMENTS	
8:45 – 10:30	Government perspectives: technical and political interventions (3 minutes each) followed by discussion:	
	<ul> <li>Research and innovation</li> <li>Khadija Malima, Chief Research Officer, Commission for Science &amp; Technology, Tanzania</li> <li>Glenda Gray, President &amp; CEO, Medical Research Council, South Africa</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Access</li> <li>Seru Morries, Assistant Commissioner, Ministry of Health, Uganda</li> <li>Dr Zerhouni, Head, Pharmacy Department, Ministry of Health, Morocco</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Intellectual property</li> <li>Justine Chilambwe, Patents and Companies Registration Agency, Zambia</li> </ul>	
10:30 - 11:00	TEA AND COFFEE	
	CONTRIBUTIONS THAT CALL FOR INCREMENTAL CHANGES TO EXISTING MODELS FOR INNOVATION AND ACCESS  This session covers contributions that provide a variety of commentaries on existing models of innovation and access.	
11:00 – 12:00	<ul> <li>Session 1</li> <li>C-147: Vivian Fritelli, International Biosimilar Association</li> <li>C-136: Martin Bernhardt, Sanofi</li> <li>C-73: Shamiso Zinzombe, Erasmus University</li> </ul>	

12:00 – 12:45	<ul> <li>Session 2</li> <li>C-113: German Velasquez, South Centre</li> <li>C-52: Maureen Macintosh, Open University (via Skype)</li> <li>C-151: Brian Citro, University of Chicago Law School</li> </ul>
12:45 – 13:45	LUNCH
	CONTRIBUTIONS THAT PROPOSE SYSTEM-WIDE REFORM FOR STRENGTHENING POLICY COHERENCE  This session covers contributions that propose reform to strengthen the longer-term policy coherence between the rights of inventors, international human rights law, trade rules and public health in the context of health technologies.
13:45 – 14:45	<ul> <li>Session 1:</li> <li>C-46: Burcu Kilic, Public Citizen</li> <li>C-38: Marcus Low, Treatment Action Campaign</li> <li>C-88: Gopakumar, Third World Network</li> <li>C-97: Brian Citro presenting on behalf of Mike Frick, Treatment Action Group</li> </ul>
14:45 – 15:45	<ul> <li>Session 2</li> <li>C-152: William Fischer, Harvard University</li> <li>C-70: Grania Bridgen, Médecins Sans Frontières</li> <li>C-84: Jamie Love, Knowledge Ecology International</li> </ul>
15:45 – 16:15	TEA AND COFFEE
16:15 – 17:15	<ul> <li>Discussion on Antimicrobial Resistance</li> <li>Tamar Ghosh, The Longitude Prize for the Innovation Lab, Nesta</li> <li>Jon Pender, Vice President, Intellectual Property &amp; Access, Global Health, GlaxoSmithKline</li> <li>Zakir Thomas, Government of India (via Skype)</li> <li>Eva Ombaka, ReAct (via Skype)</li> </ul>
17:15 – 17:30	CONCLUDING REFLECTIONS FROM THE HIGH-LEVEL PANEL & EXPERT ADVISORY GROUP

## **THOUGHT LEADERS FORUM**

The aim of the Thought Leaders Forum, hosted by The Department of Health, Republic of South Africa, is to facilitate the sharing of perspectives on innovation and access to health technologies.

VENUE: The Cullinan Room, 9th Floor Holiday Inn, 123 Rivonia Drive Sandton, Johannesburg

TIME	TOPIC
18:30 – 20:30	PROMOTING INNOVATION AND ACCESS TO HEALTH TECHNOLOGIES IN THE CONTEXT OF HUMAN RIGHTS: PERSPECTIVES ON CURRENT CHALLENGES AND FUTURE POSSIBILITIES
18:45 – 18:50	Welcome and Opening Remarks Precious Matsoso, High-Level Panel Member and Director-General: Department of Health, South Africa
	Promoting innovation and access to health technologies in the context of human rights: perspectives on current challenges and future possibilities.
18:50 – 19:10	<ul> <li>Speakers:</li> <li>Justice Edwin Cameron: Promoting innovation and access to health technologies in the context of human rights: lessons from HIV and future possibilities.</li> <li>Skhumbuzo Ngozwana: The role of policy coherence in enhancing access to affordable health technologies - perspectives on local pharmaceutical production in Africa.</li> </ul>
19:10 – 19:25	Discussion
19:25 – 19:30	Closing Remarks Mandeep Dhaliwal, Head of the Secretariat and Director: Health & HIV, United Nations Development Programme

## Thursday 17 March 2016

#### **GLOBAL DIALOGUE**

The Global Dialogue, hosted in partnership with the Department of Health, Republic of South Africa, is an interactive and inclusive conversation facilitated by Andrew Jack of the *Financial Times*. The Dialogue aims to stimulate discussion between the diverse range of stakeholders involved in innovation and access and focuses on potential solutions to strengthen the policy coherence between international human rights, trade rules and public health in line with the aspirations of SDG 3 and the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development. Dialogue participants include representatives from governments, industry, civil society, and academia. Representatives from a United Nations Economic and Social Commission for the Asia and the Pacific Meeting on Innovation and Access to Health Technologies will participate via video link. The Dialogue will be webcast to promote greater participation. Those following on the webcast will be able to participate through Facebook and Twitter.

TIME	TOPIC
8:30 - 8:45	OPENING & WELCOME
	Ruth Dreifuss, Co-chair of the High-Level Panel Andrew Jack, Moderator
8:45 - 11:00	HIGHLIGHTING WHERE POLICY COHERENCE EXISTS, AND EXPLORING HOW TO BUILD ON EXISTING MECHANISMS TO STRENGTHEN INNOVATION AND ACCESS
	This session of the interactive dialogue explores solutions to strengthen existing mechanisms including, but not limited to, public investment, intellectual property, and public-private partnerships, to promote innovation and increase access to health technologies.
	<ul><li>a. The intersection of human rights and public health in trade policy.</li><li>b. The patent system and other voluntary and compulsory mechanisms alongside it, as models for innovation and access.</li><li>c. Health systems strengthening to facilitate innovation and access.</li></ul>
11:00 - 11:30	TEA AND COFFEE
11:30 - 13:30	STRENGTHENING POLICY COHERENCE TO PROMOTE INNOVATION AND ACCESS TO HEALTH TECHNOLOGIES
	This session of the dialogue explores how policy coherence in relation to international human rights, trade rules and public health can be strengthened through delinking costs of research and development from costs of health technologies, new models to finance innovation, and strengthening human rights in trade rules, amongst others.
	<ul> <li>a. Strengthening policy coherence of patent-related mechanisms.</li> <li>b. De-linking costs of research and development from costs of health technologies and new financing mechanisms.</li> <li>c. Reflections: Advancing policy coherence to achieve proposals and strengthened coherence.</li> </ul>
13:30 - 13:45	CONCLUDING REFLECTIONS & WRAP UP
	Ruth Dreifuss, Co-chair of the High-Level Panel Andrew Jack, Moderator
13:45 - 14:45	LUNCH