

Human Rights and HIV/AIDS: Now More Than Ever

**A Delegates' Guide to Law and
Human Rights at AIDS 2008**



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Now more than ever, greater attention to human rights and legal issues in the context of HIV/AIDS is needed. Universal access to prevention, treatment, care, and support will never be achieved unless we take concrete steps to put human rights at the center of the fight against HIV/AIDS.

This guide has been prepared by the Law and Health Initiative of the Open Society Institute's Public Health Program to highlight the many legal and human rights-themed sessions, presentations, and other events at the XVII International AIDS Conference and its satellite events in Mexico City, Mexico.

The guide first provides information about the **Human Rights Networking Zone** that will showcase the work of HIV and human rights organizations from around the world in a dedicated zone in the conference's Global Village. It then presents summary information on the many sessions, satellite meetings, skills-building workshops, and events in the Global Village and Youth programs addressing legal and human rights issues.

This guide covers the following issues that are critical to a human rights approach to HIV/AIDS:

The rights of women and girls, including their right to equality under the law; protection from violence; equal access to property and inheritance; and access to education, information, and a full range of HIV/AIDS and reproductive health services.

The rights of people who use drugs, including freedom from arbitrary arrest, torture, or incarceration for low-level offenses, and other abuses in

the criminal justice system; access to harm reduction services such as needle exchange and substitution treatment; and equal access to antiretroviral treatment for HIV.

The rights of prisoners, including humane conditions of confinement; access to HIV prevention, treatment, and care services; freedom from arbitrarily prolonged incarceration or pre-trial detention; access to medical release; and equal treatment for prisoners living with HIV.

The rights of sex workers, men who have sex with men, and other marginalized groups, including freedom from arbitrary arrest and detention for violating laws against prostitution and sodomy; protection from rape and other forms of violence; and equality in access to health care, employment, and other services.

The rights of children affected by AIDS, including protection from abandonment, sexual violence, property grabbing, and other abuses; equal access to primary, secondary, and

tertiary education; and access to a full range of HIV services, including complete HIV-prevention information and antiretroviral treatment for HIV.

The rights of youth, including complete and science-based HIV-prevention information; comprehensive adolescent sexual and reproductive rights services; and meaningful involvement in the formulation of HIV policies and programs.

The rights of AIDS activists, including freedom of expression, association, and information; and the right to participate in the formulation of HIV policies and programs.

The right to universal access to HIV prevention, treatment, and care, including lifting all barriers to access to prevention, treatment, and care programs such as censorship of HIV-prevention information, legal restrictions on harm reduction services for people who use drugs, excessive patent protection on HIV drugs, and restrictions on opioid pain medication for palliative care.

Human Rights Networking Zone

At AIDS 2008, a coalition of 24 HIV and human rights organizations and networks is collaborating to convene the first-ever Human Rights Networking Zone at an international AIDS conference.

This Networking Zone brings together a unique global coalition of organizations to maximize visibility of the human rights concerns of people living with and at high risk of HIV, and to catalyze action on HIV and human rights. It will be located in the conference's Global Village in networking zone 421, near the entrance to the food court.

The coalition of human rights and AIDS organizations have established the zone as a common space for advocates to gather, organize, and mobilize. The zone's activities will engage participants in campaigns to end HIV-related human rights abuses and will make human rights accessible, understandable, and practical for everyone. Participants will be signing petitions and endorsing the declaration, *Human Rights and HIV/AIDS: Now More Than Ever*, participating in letter-writing campaigns; attending skills-building workshops; debating controversial HIV and human rights issues; preparing placards for the Human Rights Rally taking place on Thursday, August 7 from 13:30 to 14:30 in front of the Global Village Main Stage; and simply coming together and meeting colleagues working on health and human rights issues from around the world.

The Human Rights Networking Zone embraces regional, population-specific, and cross-cutting themes, including:

- ▶ Human rights and HIV in Africa
- ▶ Human rights and HIV in Latin America
- ▶ Human rights in prisons and other detention facilities
- ▶ Violence and vulnerability
- ▶ Youth, human rights and HIV
- ▶ Women, human rights and HIV
- ▶ Human rights in health settings

As members of the international coalition, the Canadian HIV/AIDS Legal Network, the Open Society Institute Public Health Program, Red Mexicana de Personas que Viven con VIH (Mexican Network of People Living with HIV), and Ave de Mexico, have coordinated events for the Human Rights Networking Zone.

The Human Rights Networking Zone will be open from Sunday, August 3rd at 11:00 until the closing party on Thursday, August 7th, from 18:30 to 20:30.

More details about some of the events in the Human Rights Networking Zone are included in this guide. The full program is available at the Networking Zone and online at www.soros.org/networkforhumanrights.

Editors' notes:

The information described in this guide is current as of July 8, 2008. We apologize for any errors or omissions.

Sessions shaded in orange are editors' picks. These sessions directly address the relationship between law, human rights, and HIV/AIDS.

Saturday, August 2

Pre-Conference Satellites

9:00-17:00: Pre-Conference Symposium

Strategies for Change: Breaking Barriers to HIV Prevention, Treatment and Care for Women

Venue: Sheraton Maria Isabel Hotel & Towers, Fiestas Room, Paseo de la Reforma 325 Col. Cuauhtemoc, Mexico City

Organizer: The Open Society Institute Public Health Program
Web Link: www.soros.org/health

Much has been said about the disproportionate impact of the AIDS pandemic on women and girls. Less attention has been paid to what can be done to address the underlying factors that make women and girls more vulnerable, and the barriers they face in obtaining appropriate services and care. The International AIDS Conference provides an important opportunity to highlight and share experiences about what can be done to address women's needs in the context of HIV and AIDS.

The Open Society Institute is convening a symposium to discuss legal, economic, advocacy, and treatment strategies for a more "woman-friendly" response to HIV. The symposium will draw attention to efforts to meet the needs of a broad range of women, including those who are particularly marginalized and stigmatized, such as sex workers, people who use drugs and women living with HIV, and to support their engagement in the development and implementation of the policies and programs that affect their lives.

Those interested in attending should RSVP to strategies.for.change@sorosny.org as soon as possible as space is limited.

8:00 Breakfast

9:10 Welcome and Introduction
Françoise Girard, United States

9:30 Empowerment: Powered by Women
Claudia Ahumada, Netherlands; Melissa Gira, United States; Siphwe Hlophe, Swaziland; Esther Mwaura-Muiru, Kenya; Sekar Wulan Sari, Indonesia

11:30 From Paper to Practice: Taking Back the Law
Jonathan Cohen, United States; Corinne Carey, United States; Catherine Mumma, Kenya; Sibongile Ndashe, South Africa; Elena Reynaga, Argentina

13:00 Lunch

14:00 It's Our Money: Making It, Tracking It, Spending It
Julia Greenberg, United States; Julia Kim, South Africa; Martha Kwataine, Malawi; Gabriela Leite, Brazil; Patricia Ndhlovu, Zambia

16:00 Patience No More: Advancing Health Care for Women
Cynthia Eyakuze, United States; Cynthia Navarrete, Mexico; Suzanne Maman, United States; Anna Shapoval, Ukraine

17:30 Reception

12:00 -17:00: Special Event

1st International March Against Stigma, Discrimination and Homophobia

Venue: Angel of Independence, Avenida Reforma, Mexico D.F.

Organizer: Comité Coordinador de la 1ra. Marcha contra el Estigma, la Discriminación y la Homofobia
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The 1st International March Against Stigma, Discrimination, and Homophobia will bring international attention to the issue of stigma and discrimination associated with HIV, sexual identity, and gender identity. The march will lead all participants through the streets of Mexico City starting at the Angel of Independence on Avenida Reforma.

Sunday, August 3

Pre-Conference Events

11:00: Global Village Opens

The Global Village opens on Sunday at 11:00 and continues until Thursday evening. The Human Rights Networking Zone is located in **networking zone 421**, near the entrance to the food court.

10:00-15:00: Satellite Meeting

Challenges for Women and Girls and HIV/AIDS

Session number: SUSAT05

Venue: **Session Room 8**

Chairs: Michael Mbizvo, Switzerland; Kevin Osborne, United Kingdom

This satellite meeting will bring together participants from all over the world with international women's, youth and human rights networks, such as "Women Won't Wait—End HIV & Violence Against Women. NOW," "With Women Worldwide," the World YWCA, the International Community of Women Living with HIV/AIDS (ICW), and "Strategies from the South." These networks will consider critical issues related to improving and ensuring the sexual and reproductive health needs of women infected and affected by HIV, guaranteeing women's sexual and reproductive rights, caring for victims of violence against women, and providing HIV prevention, treatment, and care services to women living with and affected by HIV.

11:15-13:15: Satellite Meeting

Undermining Public Health and Human Rights: The United States' HIV Immigration and Travel Ban

Session Number: SUSAT20

Venue: **Skills Building Room 9**

Winning the global fight against AIDS is a central prong of U.S. foreign aid and foreign policy. The U.S. government has taken a leadership role under both Republican and Democratic administrations, committing vast financial, medical, and scientific resources to this effort. Considering this commendable commitment, it is ironic that for over 20 years, the United States has barred HIV-positive people from immigrating to the United States. It has barred HIV-positive immigrants already in the U.S. from attaining legal immigration status except in extremely limited circumstances. The government has also banned HIV-positive visitors from traveling to or transiting through the U.S.

The purpose of this forum is to raise awareness of this issue and to bring together an international body of HIV, immigrant, human rights, and LGBT (lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender) service, advocacy, and activist organizations, immigrants, and persons living with HIV who are willing to advocate for the elimination of the HIV entry restriction to the United States. A portion of the forum will include features of other countries' efforts to alter or reverse similar policies.

13:30-15:30: Satellite Meetings

No Youth No Change: Youth Rights as Key in the Response to HIV/AIDS

Session Number: SUSAT23

Venue: **Session Room 4**

Chairs: Ian Oliver, United States; Methembe Ndlovu, Zimbabwe; Jeff DeCelles, United States

The global toll of the HIV/AIDS pandemic is increasingly affecting the lives of young people. Young people between the ages of 15 and 24 now account for 50 percent of all new HIV infections. Young people are often not able to access comprehensive sexuality education, contraceptives and

sexual and reproductive health services. It is therefore important that HIV policies and programs adequately address the needs and rights of young people. The importance of youth participation is recognized in the Convention on the Rights of the Child (1989) and, in terms of reproductive health, in the Programme of Action of the International Conference on Population and Development (1994). These international commitments acknowledge that young people are the experts on their issues, and must be involved in decision-making processes. Unfortunately, young people often neither have the opportunity nor the necessary skills, experience, or financial support to actively participate in national, regional, and international decision-making processes.

With this satellite session, the Dutch Ministry of Foreign Affairs, together with youth organizations from the Netherlands and worldwide, will highlight the importance of a rights-based approach in the response to HIV and the crucial role of young people and their meaningful participation in HIV programs and policies. This will be done by youth leaders and politicians who will address the issues in an interactive and dynamic way, combined with a variety of youth-led initiatives, discussions, and performances.

Increasing Access for Women to Integrated Services for HIV/AIDS and Drug Addiction in Eastern Europe and Central Asia: Opioid Substitution Treatment, HAART and Preventing Mother-to-Child HIV Transmission in Female Injection Drug Users

Session Number: SUSAT24

Venue: **Session Room 5**

Chair: **Richard Needle, United States**

This satellite session will bring together leading public health experts from Eastern Europe and Central Asia to describe regional and country level issues relating to the provision of HIV prevention, care and treatment to female injection drug users. The information from the session will help public health researchers and service programs better understand the challenges associated with planning integrated programs for female injecting drug users.

13:30	Epidemiology of HIV/AIDS, IDU, opioid substitution therapy, PMTCT in the region
13:40	Community perspective on access to treatment services for pregnant women who use drugs
13:50	Country presentation: Ukraine
14:05	Country presentation: Poland
14:20	Country presentation: Kyrgyzstan
14:35	Country presentation: Lithuania
14:50	HIV, pregnancy, OST and HAART for female IDUs

Mujeres Adelante ~ Moving Forward: New Visions and Actions to Combat HIV & Gender-Based Violence

Session Number: SUSAT25

Venue: **Session Room 6**

Organizer: **ICW Latina**

ICW Latina will present its “Peace as an Opportunity to End AIDS” campaign, focusing on the links between conflict, HIV and the abuse of HIV-positive women’s rights. Successful models and field strategies from Latin America, Africa and elsewhere will inform a “hands-on” interactive training workshop in the second half of the satellite. Speakers from ICW Latina, Athena, and Human Rights Watch will contribute.

The Intersections Between Violence Against Women and HIV/AIDS

Session Number: SUSAT35

Venue: **Skills Building Room 6**

Organizer: **UNIFEM**

Violence against women is both a cause and a consequence of HIV among women. The threat of violence is one manifestation of gender inequality that can also carry with it the threat of HIV. A number of studies show that the risk of HIV is significantly higher in women who have experienced violence than among those who have not. Where there is stigma and discrimination against people living with HIV, fear of violence may prevent women from seek-

ing or gaining access to information, discourage them from getting tested and from disclosing their HIV status, and represent an obstacle to receiving treatment. This session will include: (a) results of the evaluation of programs addressing HIV and violence against women; (b) promising practices at the country level to address the intersections between violence and HIV; (c) testimony of a woman living with HIV about the violence she faces; (d) advocacy work conducted to address the intersections between violence against women and HIV; and (e) men's involvement in addressing gender equality and the intersections of the twin pandemics of violence against women and HIV.

15:15-17:30: Special Event

Welcome Reception for Human Rights Activists from Around the World

Venue: Global Village, Human Rights Networking Zone (# 421)

Human rights activists and their friends from around the world will gather at the Human Rights Networking Zone for a welcome reception. They are invited to pick up their printed copy of the delegates' guide to law and human rights at AIDS 2008 and the "Human Rights and HIV/AIDS: Now More Than Ever" T-shirt so that they can wear it at the conference opening and other key events during the week, particularly the rally for human rights on Thursday, August 7. They can meet colleagues from around the world, familiarize themselves with the human rights activities at the conference, and plan new joint activities.

At 15:30 and 17:00, representatives of the organizers will briefly address visitors, explaining why human rights, now more than ever, need to be at the center of the global AIDS response and what activities are planned during AIDS 2008 to ensure that this will indeed happen.

Refreshments will be available.

15:45-17:45: Satellite Meetings

Securing Women's and Children's Property Rights in the Era of HIV/AIDS

Session Number: SUSAT49

Venue: Skills Building Room 1

Chair: Esther Mwaura-Muiru, Kenya

Official foreign investment in the agricultural sector has declined by 57 percent over the past 30 years. Africa has been the worst hit with overall negative GDP growth of 1.1 percent between 1980 and 2000 and an increase in poverty between 1990 and 2000. Meanwhile, vulnerable groups, and in particular rural women affected by HIV continue to experience deepening poverty and are at particular risk as they face the double threat of increasing demand for land and the HIV pandemic undermining social safety nets in rural areas. This condition is contributing to a rising incidence of women, especially those affected by HIV, suffering property confiscation and eviction. Many countries have undertaken legal reforms on land, property, and inheritance rights, yet their implementation on the ground has proven to be a significant problem. Insecure property rights perpetuate gender inequalities, livelihood insecurity, and poverty. Thus, securing property rights is central in the effort to address gender inequalities, poverty, vulnerability, and sustainable development in general.

This satellite session, co-hosted by UN agencies and NGOs, will share some successful initiatives that are addressing the problem with a larger audience including policy makers and donors. A number of presentations will be followed by a panel discussion on how to move forward.

- 15:45 **Securing women's property rights in the context of HIV and AIDS**
- 15:55 **Women's property rights in the era of HIV and AIDS**
- 16:05 **Grassroots women innovations for securing land: a tool for sustainable development**

Meeting the Sexual and Reproductive Health Needs of People Living with HIV

Session Number: SUSAT52

Venue: Skills Building Room 5

Chair: Heather Boonstra, United States

At the time of publication, no further information had been made publicly available on this session.

Monday, August 4

Conference Day 1

8:30-10:00: Human Rights Networking Zone Session

Daily Human Rights Petition and Breakfast

Venue: Global Village, Human Rights Networking Zone (#421)

Over coffee and refreshments, participants take action on HIV and human rights by signing the daily petition on an urgent HIV and human rights issue and writing on the “Human Rights Inspiration Wall.” In addition, they can check out the human rights “poster of the day”; listen to an inspiring talk on HIV and human rights that pushes the boundaries; and plan their daily human rights activities.

9:30-18:00: Daily Event

AIDS-Free World’s Legal Referral Program and Intake Clinic

Venue: NGO Booth 266, Human Rights Networking Zone, Global Village

AIDS-Free World promotes strategic litigation to advance the interests of people affected by and at risk of HIV/AIDS. Its objective is to identify remedies for human rights abuses in cases involving issues such as sexual violence, disability rights, treatment demands, access to schooling, property grabbing or inheritance/insurance claims. AIDS-Free World invites conference attendees to bring these or any other HIV-related legal questions and challenges to its Legal Referral Program and Intake Clinic, which will be open daily from August 4th to 8th. A multilingual team of staff and volunteer lawyers will be available to discuss legal issues, the potential for legal remedies, and relevant human rights developments. AIDS-Free World is committed to preserving privacy and confidentiality, and legal advocacy is provided free of charge.

10:00-11:00: Human Rights Networking Zone Session

Why Is Criminalization of HIV Transmission Bad Public Policy?

Venue: Global Village, Human Rights Networking Zone (#421)

This interactive “hot topic” session will focus on why criminalization of HIV transmission may seem like a good idea, but after thorough analysis turns out to be bad public policy.

11:00-12:30: Concurrent Sessions

Listen to Us! Effective Advocacy Strategies

Session Number: MOAE01

Session Type: Oral Abstract Session

Venue: Session Room 9

Chairs: Eduard Grebe, South Africa; Shaun Mellors, South Africa

This session, focusing on the effective uses of advocacy to advance HIV issues, includes presentations on the recent draft UNAIDS guidance note on sex work and HIV, and the mobilization of people who use drugs and people living with HIV to advance access to rights-based services.

11:00 Transnational networks of influence in South African AIDS activism
Eduard Grebe, South Africa

11:15 The UNAIDS guidance note on sex work and HIV
Meena Seshu, India

11:30 Community mobilization in Ukraine
Olena Kucheruk, Ukraine

11:45 Would demanding the right to use competition laws for an AIDS patient undergoing treatment be a good way to put pressure on the pharmaceutical industry? The case of the complaint made against ACT-UP by Abbott in France
Vincent Pelletier, France

12:00 Political advocacy by key populations to reduce stigma and discrimination in Mexico
Hilda Pérez Vázquez, Mexico

HIV Prevention for Women and Girls: Changing Gender Norms

Session Number: MOACo2

Session Type: Oral Abstract Session

Venue: Session Room 10

Chairs: Yolanda Simon, Trinidad and Tobago; Carmen Zorrilla, Puerto Rico

Changing gender norms is widely viewed as important to reducing HIV vulnerability among women, yet it is less well-understood as a human rights issue. This session presents several strategies for changing gender norms, including a successful intervention that combined training and microfinance.

- 11:00 **A combined microfinance and training intervention can reduce HIV risk behavior among young program participants: results from the IMAGE study**
Charlotte Watts, United Kingdom
- 11:15 **SisterAct: sisters interacting - intergenerational communication between African American girls and women in Washington, DC as an alternative/effective HIV/AIDS prevention strategy**
Abby Charles, United States
- 11:30 **Small house, hure, sugar daddies, and garden boys: a qualitative study of heterosexual concurrent partnerships among men and women in Zimbabwe**
Wellington Mushayi, Zimbabwe
- 11:45 **Female condom breaks gender barriers in India: a case study**
Manoj Gopalakrishnan, India
- 12:00 **Integrating gender into HIV/AIDS interventions: does it make a difference to outcomes?**
Karen Hardee, United States

Community Participation in HIV Related Clinical Research

Session Number: MOBS01

Session Type: Bridging Session

Venue: Session Room 6

Chairs: Morenike Ukpung, Nigeria; Lennarth Hjelmaker, Sweden

This session addresses the basics of community participation in research, starting from the point of view of the research candidate, against the back-drop of a year of disappointing and failed results from a number of vaccine and microbicide trials. Why do trial participants engage with research? Whether we live in a developed or developing country, what are the true motivations of our enrollment? Does inequality in access to health care affect trial enrollment? How can communities directly participate in the design of studies?

- 11:00 **Roles and responsibilities of investigators and issues of community involvement**
Peter Mugenyi, Uganda
- 11:15 **The ethical issues related to trials and successes and limits of FACE**
Emily Bass, United States
- 11:30 **The dependence of injecting drug users to the tenofovir trial health and prevention services**
Paisan Suwannawong, Thailand
- 11:45 **Community participation in clinical trials in the context of universal health insurance and persisting inequities**
Francois Berdougo-Le Blanc, France

11:00-12:30: Skills Building Workshops

Creating a National HIV-Related Discrimination Reporting and Redress System: The Jamaican Model

Session Number: MOSBo6

Venue: Skills Building Room 6

Chair: Anthony Hron, Jamaica

Using the Jamaican system as a model, this workshop will explore the many facets of a national discrimination reporting and redress system including: data collection tools and methods; data sharing; forms of redress; coalition building to increase reporting and achieve redress; and protecting and empowering those who suffer from discrimination.

Online Legal Help Line: Addressing HIV-Related Human Rights Violations, Removing Stigma and Discrimination

Session Number: MOSBo8

Venue: Skills Building Room 8

Chair: Gilda Guillermo, Philippines

The online legal help line was created as a response to a felt need by people working in AIDS service organizations, people living with HIV and AIDS, and vulnerable populations who were trained as paralegals by the presenter, ALTERLAW, to address HIV-related human rights violations and stigma and discrimination by providing an easy way to access legal advice and assistance. This session will provide steps for creating an online legal help line and discuss how a help line can help address HIV-related human rights violations and stigma and discrimination.

12:45-14:15: Human Rights Networking Zone Session

“Meet the Experts” and Human Rights Networking

Venue: Global Village, Human Rights Networking Zone (#421)

Human rights experts will be available to respond to delegates' questions or refer them to other resources. Delegates can prepare their own placards for the Human Rights Rally on Thursday, August 7; sign the daily human rights petition; or use this time to network with human rights colleagues from around the world.

As a special event on Monday, “Methadone Man” and “Buprenorphine Babe” will be at the Human Rights Networking Zone over lunch to distribute messages on human rights and harm reduction, hand out T-shirts, and engage participants in a discussion on the human rights of people who use drugs.

13:00-14:00: Poster Discussion Sessions

Do You Know Your (Human) Rights?

Session Number: MOPDE1

Venue: Skills Building Room 7

Chairs: Anand Grover, India; Jacqueline Roches Cortes, Brazil

- 13:00 **Opening remarks**
Anand Grover, India
- 13:05 **Human rights in the response to HIV: where are human rights and why does it matter?**
Sofia Gruskin, United States
- 13:10 **Protecting the human rights of PLWHA in Guatemala**
Oscar Morales, Guatemala
- 13:15 **Using impact litigation to strengthen the human rights of those most vulnerable to HIV/AIDS in Southern Africa**
Priti Patel, South Africa
- 13:20 **Safeguarding human rights of PLHIV through legal interventions**
Palani Palani, India
- 13:25 **Fulfillment of human rights in health services: a main issue to make a reality the human rights of people living with HIV and AIDS**
Ricardo Corcuera, Peru
- 13:30 **Challenges in democratizing access to HIV legal advocacy resources**
Catherine Hanssens, United States

Is the Brand Generically Important?

Session Number: MOPDE2

Venue: Skills Building Room 8

Chair: Jean-Paul Moatti, France

- 13:00 **Session overview**
Jean-Paul Moatti, France
- 13:05 **Future challenges to the sustainability of HIV/AIDS responses in Southern countries: an institutional analysis of the diagnosis and monitoring tests market**
Cristina Mello Rodrigues D'Almeida, France

- 13:10 **Access to generic medicines: the use of compulsory licensing**
Gaëlle Pascale Krikorian, France
- 13:15 **Compulsory licensing of lopinavir/ritonavir: the Brazilian case**
Gabriela Costa Chaves, Brazil
- 13:20 **Antiretroviral prices and patents: the case of Mexico and other developing countries**
Veronika Wirtz, Mexico
- 13:25 **Does enforcing IPRs increase the transfer of ARV technology? A multi-country analysis**
Kinsley Wilson, Canada
- 13:30 **Pipeline patents as an obstacle to treatment access**
Juan Carlos Raxach, Brazil

13:00-14:00: Global Village Workshop

Los Derechos de la Niñez en Defensa de las Niñas y los Niños Discriminados por ser Portadores del VIH [Session in Spanish]

Session Number: MOWSo2

Venue: Global Village Session Room 2

Chairs: Raúl Zúñiga Silva, Mexico; Carlos Osnaya Puente, Mexico; Samuel Morales Ramos, Mexico; Monica Mendoza González, Mexico; Silvia Alazraky Pfeffer, Mexico

Organizer: Comisión de los Derechos Humanos del Distrito Federal México

This workshop has been designed to contribute to the promotion of the rights of children. The objective of the workshop is to prevent actions that discriminate against and stigmatize people living with HIV, particularly children.

14:15-15:00: Human Rights Networking Zone Session

Integrating Legal Support into HIV Programs: A Fundamental Component of Universal Access

Venue: Global Village, Human Rights Networking Zone (#421)

Chairs: Tamar Ezer, United States; Jonathan Cohen, United States

Presenters: Ruth Kiragu, Kenya; Peter Ngure, Kenya; Joan Marston, South Africa; Corinne Carey, United States, Zodwa Sithole, South Africa

Though critical to addressing underlying vulnerability to HIV and ensuring access to treatment and care, legal services are rarely thought of as AIDS services. This session focuses on practical models to integrate legal services into palliative care, harm reduction, and HIV/AIDS clinical programs. Integrating legal services into these programs enables comprehensive care and increases access to justice to underserved and marginalized communities, thereby also improving their health.

Come meet experts involved in these cutting edge programs in Kenya, South Africa, and Ukraine and bring your questions. Through presentations and interactive discussion, you can find out how these programs are set up, what legal issues they encounter, what are effective practices, what resources are available, how to provide legal support when trained lawyers are in short supply, how can impact be monitored and evaluated, and more.

14:30-16:00: Oral Abstract Session

The Hidden Side of Stigma and Discrimination

Session Number: MOAXo2

Session Type: Oral Abstract Session

Venue: Session Room 9

Chairs: Marian Pitts, Australia; Ana Amuchastegui, Mexico

There have been significant advances in understanding the relationship between HIV-related stigma and discrimination and the spread and impact of HIV. This session presents a series of important new findings on this critical human rights issue.

14:30 **Enacted stigma and psychological problems among children with parental HIV/AIDS in rural China**
Xiaoyi Fang, China

14:45 **Secondary stigma: elderly women's experiences of adult HIV/AIDS morbidity and mortality in rural South Africa**
Catherine Ogunmefun, South Africa

- 15:00 Health and treatment seeking behavior among Hijras
Yashwinder Singh, India
- 15:15 Children of sex workers unite to fight stigma and discrimination
Parbati Halder, India
- 15:30 HIV-related knowledge, attitudes, stigma, and testing history among Shan migrants in Northern Thailand
Charles Washington, United States

16:00-17:30: Global Village Session

HIV/AIDS in Prisons and Pre-trial Detention Centers: A Public Health and Human Rights Disaster

Session Number: MOGS04
Session Type: Presentation Q&A

Venue: Global Village Session Room 1

Chair: Marcus Day, Saint Lucia

Organizer: Open Society Justice Initiative & Open Society Institute Public Health Program, United States

This session will deal with issues related to HIV in prisons that have so far received little attention, but need to be at the center of the attention of policy makers and public health professionals.

- 16:00 Scaling up HIV interventions in prisons
Ralf Jürgens, Canada
- 16:15 The need for pre-trial detention reform and its links with HIV and other health concerns
Denise Tomasino Joshi, United States
- 16:30 HIV in prisons in the Russian Federation: urgent need for action
Anya Sarang, Russian Federation
- 16:45 Cruel and inhuman treatment: suffering drug withdrawal in prisons in Cambodia
Presenter TBD
- 17:00 MDR-TB, human rights, and detention
Paula Akugizibwe

16:30-18:00: Concurrent Sessions

Combating Stigma and Discrimination in Health Care Settings

Session Number: MOAX06
Session Type: Oral Abstract Session

Venue: Session Room 10

Chairs: Tho Khvat, Viet Nam; Kim Ashburn, United States

Health settings should be places where people living with and affected by HIV realize their human rights, yet they are too often places of coercion and abuse. This session presents important new findings and interventions related to combating stigma, discrimination, and other human rights abuses within health settings.

- 16:30 Introduction
Tho Khvat, Viet Nam
- 16:35 Dealing with HIV and stigma among health professionals: how to reduce a collateral risk in the fight against HIV in Haiti
Sorel Bertrand, Haiti
- 16:50 Knowledge, attitudes, and practices of health care providers towards HIV and PLWHA in North Sudan
Zied Mhirsi, Sudan
- 17:05 Power and prejudice: the perceptions of people who provide services to non-gay identifying African American men who have sex with men
Hema Ramamurthi, United States
- 17:20 HIV stigma reduction intervention in health care in China
Li Li, United States
- 17:35 HIV and AIDS related stigma and discrimination in the health care setting
Nnamdi Ibekwe, Nigeria

Mobile Populations and Globalization

Session Number: MOBS03
Session Type: Bridging Session

Venue: Session Room 11

Chairs: Brunson McKinley, Switzerland; Jennifer Hirsch, United States

This session will bring together scientists, community members, and immigration activists to discuss the links between international population movement and the global HIV/AIDS epidemic. The session will address the challenges created by voluntary and forced migrations in terms of the production of HIV risk and the particular vulnerabilities that migrant populations face. It will also highlight how migration may be propelled by global inequalities in access to adequate AIDS-related care and medication, and the barriers that HIV positive migrants face in crossing international borders.

- 16:30 Introduction**
Brunson McKinley, Switzerland
- 16:40 Dynamics of population mobility and AIDS: global context, action and local effect**
Manuel Angel Castillo, Mexico
- 16:50 The challenges for HIV-positive women in southern Sudan**
Phoebe Yona Wobi, Sudan
- 17:00 Migration and AIDS: progress and challenges in Central America, Mexico and the US**
Rene Leyva-Flores, Mexico
- 17:10 Virus, visas and violations: the impact of health testing on migrant workers**
Maria Lourdes S. Marin, Philippines
- 17:20 The production of marital risk: labor migration and the social organization of infidelity in five countries**
Jennifer Hirsch, United States
- 17:30 Increasing migrant workers' access to HIV prevention and health: lessons from Thailand**
Brahm Press, Thailand
- 17:40 Questions & answers**
Jennifer Hirsch, United States

Where Are We In Achieving UNGASS Targets?

Session Number: MOSY08

Session Type: Symposium

Venue: Session Room 1

Chair: Vuyiseka Dubula, South Africa

In 2001, UN member states committed themselves to take concrete steps to halt and reverse the HIV/AIDS epidemic

by 2010, as well as to report on their progress every two years. Following the recent High Level Review Meeting in June 2008, this session will ask: how far do the UN and member states still need to go to honor their UNGASS commitments? What results have been delivered and what are the remaining challenges? How can other partners complement the efforts by the UN and its member states? Kieran Daly's presentation will focus in particular on the lack of progress in achieving the human rights targets of the 2001 Declaration of Commitment and more generally, on how failure to take action on human rights makes reaching the goal of universal access to HIV prevention, treatment, care and support more difficult, if not impossible.

16:30 Panel discussion

UNGASS 1

Mariangela Simão, Brazil

UNGASS 2

Mphu Ramatlapeng, Lesotho

UNGASS 3

Michel Sidibe, Mali

UNGASS 4

Rico Gustav, Indonesia

UNGASS 5

Kieran Daly, Ireland

17:15-18:45: Global Village Workshop

Educational Tool "7 hours 55 minutes"

Session Number: MOWSo5

Venue: Global Village Session Room 2

Chair: Buyu Van Driesten, Thailand

Co-facilitators: Pornpitt Puckmai, Thailand; Liz Cameron, Australia; Chantawipa Noi Apisuk, Thailand; Chumpon Apisuk, Thailand; Thanta Laovilawanyakul, Thailand

Organizer: Empower Foundation, Thailand

This interactive workshop will allow participants to explore the physical, legal, and social environments in which sex workers live and work, and their impact on HIV prevention. It will encourage participants to analyze the root causes of HIV risk among sex workers, as well as to identify priorities and strategies.

18:30-20:30: Human Rights Networking Zone Session

Human Rights Highlights – Day 1

Venue: Global Village, Human Rights Networking Zone (#421)

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18:30-20:30: Satellite Sessions

From Commitment to Action: Implementing Effective Responses on Gender and AIDS

Session Number: MOSAT12

Venue: Session Room 5

Chair: Kristan Schultz, Switzerland

This session will bring together AIDS and gender experts from different regions and sectors to address the intersection between gender and AIDS and explore experiences in advancing gender equality and empowering women through national AIDS responses. Government and civil society best practices will be highlighted, in addition to opportunities and challenges in scaling up programming and funding for gender action. The session will consider the need for implementation of dedicated action on gender and AIDS, alongside mainstreaming of gender perspectives in AIDS interventions, to ensure that gender priorities can be adequately funded and sufficiently scaled-up. In addition, the session will address opportunities for linking action on AIDS with broader action on gender equality by forging partnerships between people and institutions working on AIDS, and people and institutions working on gender. Additional issues that will be addressed include gender based violence, community gender norms, vulnerability of young women, HIV transmission in marriage and long-term relationships, and the role of men and boys in promoting gender equality.

HIV Risk Among Transgender People: The Social and Cultural Context from a Global Perspective

Session Number: MOSAT23

Venue: Skills Building Room 5

Chairs: JoAnne Keatley, United States; Gloria Hazel Davenport, Mexico

The objective of this satellite session is to provide a multi-dimensional perspective of HIV risk and social and cultural issues among transgender people. Speakers from various countries representing the research and practice community, including trans-identified persons, will present important social and cultural issues that merit increased study, awareness and collaboration. At the end of the session, the panel speakers and attendees will engage in conversation in order to gain greater awareness of the topics and issues raised.

Tuesday, August 5

Conference Day 2

7:00-8:30: Morning Satellite Meetings

Scaling Up an Effective Response to Violence Against Women and Girls: Case Studies, Promising Practices and Recommendations for Achieving Zero Tolerance

Session Number: TUSATo4

Venue: Skills Building Room 1

Chairs: Eve Ensler, United States; Kathy Hall, United States

This mini-satellite symposium, co-sponsored by the Global AIDS Alliance and the United Nations Foundation, will review the findings of a new Zero Tolerance case study report on efforts to scale up comprehensive national systems

to prevent, mitigate, and respond to violence against women and girls in three countries in sub-Saharan Africa: Ghana, Rwanda, and South Africa. All three offer important lessons related to efforts to criminalize gender-based violence, respond to linkages between violence and HIV through improved policies and programs, and support health, legal, and social services to mitigate the impacts of violence. The satellite will focus on promoting individual and collective action to address violence against women and girls, and to hold governments, donors, and other stakeholders accountable for scaling up effective programs and addressing the links between violence and HIV. Invited speakers include the Honorable Barbara Lee of the United States House of Representatives; a representative of the UN Secretary General's Unite to End Violence against Women Campaign; and Eve Ensler, Founder of V-Day.

Best Practices in Providing ARVs to Injecting Drug Users

Session Number: TUSATo7

Venue: Skills Building Room 4

Chair: Daniel Wolfe, United States

Presenters: Bruno Spire, France; Larissa Badrieva, Russia; Francisco Inacio Bastos, Brazil; Konstantin Lezhentsev, Ukraine; Nathalie Rose, Mauritius

Speakers will discuss best practices in provision of ARVs for people who inject drugs. Panelists from diverse geographic settings, including Brazil, Mauritius, Ukraine, Russia and Indonesia, will share successes and challenges from their work and show how simple interventions can increase treatment access for people who inject drugs.

Raising Women's Voices from the Margins: A Progressive Platform for the U.S. Global AIDS Response in PEPFAR II

Session Number: TUSATo9

Venue: Skills Building Room 8

This satellite session will bring together the diverse experiences and perspectives of women disproportionately impacted by HIV and AIDS. Session objectives include discussing the current state of U.S. global AIDS policy and the direction in which it is headed in light of PEPFAR reauthorization in 2008; informing the audience about the

impact of U.S. global AIDS policy on populations at greatest risk for HIV transmission; highlighting the diverse experiences and realities of women: women living with HIV, female sex workers, female injecting drug users, married women, and incarcerated women; and developing a platform or plan for the next U.S. president as a means to address HIV and AIDS in a more proactive manner among populations at greatest risk. Audience participation and feedback will provide a unique opportunity in shaping a progressive platform from the International AIDS Conference for U.S. policymakers.

8:30-10:00: Human Rights Networking Zone Session

Daily Human Rights Petition and Breakfast

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9:00-10:30: Plenary Session

Session Number: TUPLo1

Venue: Session Room 1

Chairs: Tachi Yamada, Japan; Françoise Girard, United States; Nils Daulaire, United States

- 9:00 **Prevention of the sexual transmission of HIV-1: a view from early in the 21st century**
Myron Cohen, United States
- 9:25 **Substance use and harm reduction**
Adeeba Kamarulzaman, Malaysia
- 9:50 **Jonathan Mann memorial lecture: sex between men**
Jorge Saavedra, Mexico

10:00-10:55: Human Rights Networking Zone Session

Documenting Human Rights Abuses in the Context of HIV/AIDS: Why It Is Important & How to Do It

Venue: Global Village, Human Rights Networking Zone (#421)

Organizer: Human Rights Watch

Presenter: Rebecca Schleifer, United States

10:30-11:30: Video Screening

Voces Contra la Discriminación [Session in Spanish]

Session Number: TUCA11

Venue: Video Lounge

Presenter: Alejandra Martínez, México

A documentary film in which members of different key populations narrate moments of their lives when they felt discriminated against because of their sexual orientation or HIV status. The film is a clear and fresh tool that shows how people are directly impacted by stigma and discrimination. The film strives to give dignity to all the people affected by HIV/AIDS.

11:00-12:30: Concurrent Sessions

Indigenous People, First Nations and Afro-descendants Confronting HIV/AIDS: Breaking the Silence

Session Number: TUBS01

Session Type: Bridging Session

Venue: Session Room 8

Chair: Mirtha Colon, Honduras

This session will debate the risk, vulnerability and public neglect of indigenous people, First Nations and Afro-descendants confronting the HIV epidemic. Recognized leaders from these populations will share their perspectives confronting the epidemic, from the experiences lived by their communities to a more academic approach. The session will cover issues such as the factors that are responsible for their overrepresentation among people living with HIV, the human rights violations that lead to their particular vulnerability, the consequences of the epidemic among the underserved communities, and their recommendations on the development of adequate public policies.

11:00 Panel discussion

Racism, orphans and HIV/AIDS: the experience of the Garifuna community in Central America

Dr. Alta Hooker, Nicaragua

HIV/AIDS and discrimination in indigenous populations: cultural and territorial human rights violations in the framework of the ILO

Wili Morales, Chile

The indigenous epidemics: are we invisible?

Dr. Laverne Monette, Canada

Microeconomics, HIV/AIDS and women of African descent: what did we learn, what needs to be done

Yassine Fall, Namibia

Intercultural prevention of HIV/AIDS: diversity and indigenous people in Mexico

Amaranta Gomez, Mexico

Positive Prevention

Session Number: TUSY01

Session Type: Symposium

Venue: Session Room 2

Chair: Ken Morrison, Canada

This session will provide a framework for positive prevention with an emphasis on positive living issues; discuss human rights issues and the implications of positive prevention on policy and laws for different vulnerable groups of persons living with HIV; discuss implications of treatment and care on positive prevention and the prevention of new infections; and discuss the sexual and reproductive health and rights implications of positive prevention.

- 11:00 **Positive prevention framework**
Jorge Beloqui, Brazil
- 11:20 **Positive prevention: a human rights perspective**
Christopher Park, Switzerland
- 11:40 **Care and treatment implications in positive prevention**
Bernard Hirschel, Switzerland
- 12:00 **Sexual and reproductive health and rights: repercussions on positive prevention**
Alejandra Trossero, United Kingdom

Women's Rights Equal Women's Lives: Violence Against Women and HIV

Session Number: TUSYo4
Session Type: Symposium

Venue: **Session Room 11**

Chairs: Charlotte Bunch, Mexico; Thoraya Ahmed Obaid, Saudi Arabia

The links between violence against women and HIV and AIDS are clear. Studies report that one in three women will suffer abuse in her lifetime. Violence against women is both a cause and consequence of HIV and AIDS: a cause because rape and sexual assault are vectors for HIV transmission; a consequence because HIV-positive women suffer abuse when disclosing their status. This symposium aims to highlight common strategies as well as the specific ways in which women's rights activists, policy makers, and donors are working together to find opportunities to combat violence against women. The session will conclude with a call to action to donors, governments, policy makers, and civil society to address the intersection between violence against women and girls and HIV.

- 11:00 **Panel discussion**
- Does disclosure increase risk of violence?**
Gcebile Ndlovu, Swaziland
- Promoting an ethic of responsibility among men**
Bafana Khumalo, South Africa
- How does violence against women increase their vulnerability to infection?**
Charlotte Watts, United Kingdom
- Transforming minds through radio**
Eliana Elias, Peru
- Effective responses to combating HIV**
Claudia Garcia Moreno, Mexico

Global and Local Policy Initiatives on Injecting Drug Use

Session Number: TUAXo1
Session Type: Oral Abstract Session

Venue: **Session Room 9**

Chairs: Ingrid Van Beek, Australia; Daniel Wolfe, United States

This session will present a range of issues related to HIV among people who inject drugs. Presentations will address critical human rights challenges such as establishing drug consumption rooms, achieving human rights-based drug dependence treatment, and legalizing prison needle exchange.

- 11:00 **First international network on drug consumption rooms (INDCR)**
Javier Rio Navarro, Spain
- 11:15 **The role of Russia's drug dependence treatment system in fighting HIV**
Diederik Lohman, United States
- 11:30 **Improving global estimates of injecting drug use and HIV among people who inject drugs**
Bradley Mathers, Australia
- 11:45 **A public health and human rights imperative: the case for prison needle and syringe programs**
Sandra Ka Hon Chu, Canada
- 12:00 **Resist meth: a public health department, advertising agency, and community collaboration to develop a social marketing campaign to address methamphetamine use among MSM**
Michael Paquette, United States

Research-Based Public Policy: Why Is It Not the Golden Standard?

Session Number: TUSYo3
Session Type: Symposium

Venue: **Session Room 4**

Chair: Frances Kissling, United States

International health agencies recommend basing public policy on evidence. In the context of the AIDS epidemic, there is a growing body of research that provides evidence of programs and interventions that are the most effective

in preventing HIV transmission. Nonetheless, this data is often overlooked when public policy is drafted. This session will deal with sexuality education, harm reduction, sex work, and homophobia. Speakers will present research results on effective ways of preventing transmission related to these topics. They will compare programs that are based on research with others that are not.

- 11:00 **Sex education: how and why ABC does not work**
Douglas Kirby, United States
- 11:10 **Harm reduction: an evidence-based non-judgmental effective strategy for health and dignity**
Gerry Stimson, United Kingdom
- 11:20 **Sex work and public good: conflicting policies, competing moralities**
Nandinee Bandyopadhyay, India
- 11:30 **The evidence on homophobia's health outcomes**
Roy Chan, Singapore

11:00-12:30: Skills Building Workshops

Advocating for Human Rights and HIV/AIDS: Now More Than Ever

Session Number: TUSBog

Venue: Skills Building Room 9

Chairs: Michaela Clayton, Namibia; Jonathan Cohen, United States; Tamar Ezer, United States

Universal access to HIV prevention and treatment will never be achieved without greater attention paid to human rights. This workshop will provide participants with the tools necessary to become effective advocates for human rights approaches to HIV that are real, practical, and cost-effective.

Challenging MSM Stigma in an African Context

Session Number: TUSBo8

Venue: Skills Building Room 8

Chair: Mutale Martin Chonta, Zambia

This workshop will provide fun, dynamic and interactive methods for exploring the complex issue of stigma and

MSM in an African context. Facilitators from Senegal and Zambia have developed tools which will be shared, tested, and adapted to fit different contexts.

12:00-13:00: Global Village Performance

Kormix

Session Number: TUCAo3

Venue: Global Village Main Stage

Performer: Korsang, Cambodia

Live performance of original music, freestyle rapping about HIV and drug-related issues (Khmer and English), and break-dancing. Five young people and two persons who formerly used drugs will present a performance demonstrating the positive influence of the arts and of hip hop culture.

12:45-14:15: Special Session

Travel Restrictions on People Living with HIV: Going Against the Grain of Human Rights and Public Health

Session Number: TUSSo4

Venue: Session Room 11

Chairs: Mariangela Simão, Brazil; Torbjorn Urfjell, Norway

This special session will include policy makers, civil society, and people living with HIV that are currently playing a leading role in policy change on HIV-related travel restrictions. Since the beginning of the HIV epidemic some governments have implemented discriminatory travel restrictions in regards to HIV positive people wishing to enter or remain in a country for short stay (e.g. business, personal visits) or for longer periods (e.g. employment, asylum, family reunification, resettlement or study). Thirteen countries ban HIV-positive people from entering for any reason or for any length of time. There is growing international momentum for HIV-related travel restrictions to be reversed. The time for change is now.

- 12:45 Discussion of U.S. efforts to end discriminatory HIV-related travel and entry restrictions, laws, and policies
Barbara Lee, United States
- 13:00 The impact of short and long term travel restrictions on people living with HIV and their families
Lillian Mworeko, Uganda
- 13:15 Experiences of a country of origin for international labor migration
Grace Relucio Princesa, Philippines
- 13:20 Experience of reversing laws on HIV-related short term travel restrictions
Embajador Rodrigo Simán Siri, El Salvador
- 13:25 Experiences of the Global Fund and the history of advocacy to fight travel restrictions against PLWHA, including the International AIDS Conference
Shaun Mellors, South Africa
- 13:30 Human rights, ethical and legal considerations
Richard Elliott, Canada
- 13:35 The lack of a public health rationale for restricting entry of PLWHA
Susan Timberlake, Switzerland

12:45-14:15: Human Rights Networking Zone Session

“Meet the Experts” and Human Rights Networking

Venue: Human Rights Networking Zone (#421)

Human rights experts will be available to respond to delegates' questions or refer them to other resources. Delegates can prepare their own placards for the Human Rights Rally on Thursday, August 7; sign the daily human rights petition; or use this time to network with human rights colleagues from around the world.

12:45-13:45: Global Village Panel Discussion

Trabajo Sexual, VIH y Derechos Humanos [Session in Spanish]

Session Number: TUGSo6

Venue: Global Village Session Room 2

Chairs: Andrew Paul Hunter, Thailand; Cynthia Navarrete, Mexico

There will be presentations about diverse local and regional situations regarding public policies related to human rights, sex work and its vulnerability to HIV, mandatory testing, criminalization of sex work and HIV, international guidelines on sex work, best practices and case studies. The session will also feature an interactive debate with the participants and audience.

Four speakers (Alejandra Gil Cuervo, Mexico; He-Jin Kim, Netherlands; Melissa Gira, United States; Angela Villalón, Peru) will make presentations on “Changing laws, changing lives of sex workers.”

13:00-14:00: Global Village

Meet the Plenary Speakers

Session Number: TUGSo2

Session Type: Meet the Plenary Speaker

Venue: Global Village Session Room 1

The Meet the Plenary Speaker sessions bring the conference plenary speakers to the community and allow interaction and dialogue. Among the Tuesday plenary speakers are harm reduction expert and advocate Adeeba Kamarulzaman and Jonathan Mann Memorial Lecture presenter Jorge Saavedra.

13:00-14:00: Poster Discussion

Programs and Research on HIV and Prisons

Session Number: TUPDE2

Venue: Skills Building Room 8

Chairs: Ricardo Roman, Mexico

- 13:00 **Drugs, sex and prison: generating dialogues that promote positive policy development**
Deborah Small, United States
- 13:05 **Collaboration and cross training between health and correctional services leads to more integrated services for PHAs in prison**
Joanne Lush, Canada
- 13:10 **HIV/AIDS prevention in a women's prison in the state of Ceará, Brazil**
Ney Costa, Brazil
- 13:15 **Sex, condom use, and condom program utilization in a large jail unit for men who have sex with men and transgender inmates**
Nina Harawa, United States
- 13:20 **Sembrando conscience**
Federico Parodi, Armenia

14:30-16:00: Concurrent Sessions

Scaling Up HIV Testing and Counseling: A Human Rights and Public Health Imperative

Session Number: TUSY05

Session Type: Symposium

Venue: Session Room 2

Chairs: Ana Langer, Argentina; Gracia Violeta Ross, Bolivia

While scaling up HIV testing continues to be a global priority, critical issues remain. In 2007, WHO/UNAIDS released their Guidance on provider-initiated opt-out testing in health care settings and the UNAIDS Reference Group on HIV and Human Rights, among other groups, responded with recommendations. Meanwhile various strategies to increase access to testing in different countries are being implemented. Numerous concerns remain

on how access to testing and counseling can be improved while providing protection to people at risk of stigma, discrimination, criminalization, and other potential adverse outcomes. This session will be grounded in a discussion of the UNAIDS Reference Group on HIV and Human Rights statement and recommendations, followed by a discussion of how the issues are being addressed on the ground, with discussion of the special issues concerning women and marginalized groups.

- 14:30 **Prevention and protection: integrating human rights into testing and counseling scale up**
Ralf Jürgens, Canada
- 14:45 **Testing & counseling scale-up at the country level**
Aliou Sylla, Mali
- 15:00 **HIV testing of migrant and mobile population**
Amara Quesada, Philippines
- 15:10 **Gender issues in HIV testing and counseling**
Nduku Kilonzo, Kenya

Detention, Oppression: Legal Enforcement and Drug Use

Session Number: TUAE02

Session Type: Oral Abstract Session

Venue: Session Room 9

Chairs: Mauro Guarinieri, Italy; Svitlana Moroz, Ukraine

The enforcement of anti-drug laws has long been associated with a range of human rights violations that increase HIV risk among people who use drugs. This session features a number of global experts on this urgent HIV and human rights crisis. Speakers from India, Thailand, and the United States will address issues such as the statistical link between drug use and anti-drug enforcement, the impact of policing on drug users' access to HIV treatment and evidence-based drug dependence treatment, and the relationship between police harassment and use of sterile syringes by people who inject drugs.

- 14:30 **Introduction**
Svitlana Moroz, Ukraine

- 14:35 Increasing arrests for heroin and cocaine possession (“hard-drug arrests”) are not associated with decreasing proportions of injection drug users in metropolitan statistical areas (MSAs)
Samuel Friedman, United States
- 14:50 Deadly denial: barriers to HIV/AIDS treatment for people who use drugs in Thailand
Paisan Suwannawong, Thailand
- 15:05 Explaining the relationship between police harassment and pharmacy purchased syringes among injection drug users in New York City (2005-2007)
Abby Rudolph, United States
- 15:20 In the name of health: addiction treatment, HIV prevention, and human rights
Daniel Wolfe, United States
- 15:35 Moral policing and spread of HIV/AIDS, HBV and HCV in Manipur
Rohit Sapam, India

Partnerships and Strategies for Holding Governments Accountable for Reproductive Rights Violations of People Living with HIV/AIDS

Session Number: TUGS10

Session Type: Panel Discussion

Venue: Community Dialogue Space

Chair: Elizabeth Tyler Crone, United States

Speakers: Lilian Sepulveda, United States; Sara Araya, Chile; Johanna Fine, United States

The purpose of this panel is three-pronged: to share recent work documenting violations such as coercive sterilization of HIV-positive women in Chile and denial of reproductive health care services to HIV-positive women in Kenya; to discuss a range of accountability strategies to address these violations, from documenting abuses to national and international litigation; and to illustrate how these strategies can be effectively implemented. Identifying and documenting violations at the intersection of HIV and reproductive rights is a crucial first step and vital to effective advocacy.

16:30-17:30: Human Rights Networking Zone Session

Sentenced to HIV, HCV, and TB? Prisons and Pre-Trial Detention Centers

Venue: Global Village, Human Rights Networking Zone (#421)

Organizers: Open Society Justice Initiative and Open Society Institute Public Health Program, United States; Canadian HIV/AIDS Legal Network, Canada

Presenters: Deborah Small, United States; Denise Tomasini-Joshi, United States; Rick Lines, United Kingdom; others TBD

As part of the daily “Hot Topic Session Series,” this event will feature a series of short, 5-minute, provocative presentations by key experts on human rights issues related to imprisonment and pre-trial detention, followed by a Q&A period.

16:30-18:00: Concurrent Sessions

Taking Charge: Leadership and Rights Among PWHAs

Session Number: TUAX05

Session Type: Oral Abstract Session

Venue: Session Room 10

Chairs: Kousalya Periasamy, India; Alain Volny-Anne, France

People living with HIV/AIDS are leaders in the struggle for human rights wherever they live. This session will feature inspiring stories of human rights leadership among PWHAs in countries as diverse as Colombia, Jamaica, Mexico, New Zealand, and Ukraine.

16:30 Introduction

16:35 **Knowing stigma, discrimination and social injustices before HIV infection: an indigenous woman's personal story**
Rhonda Marama Smith, New Zealand

- 16:50 **Violation of rights of people living with HIV/AIDS in health care setting in Odessa, Ukraine**
Kostiantyn Zverkov, Ukraine
- 16:55 **Structural interventions to challenge homophobic violence in Jamaica**
Robert Carr, Jamaica
- 17:10 **Photo documentation of HIV-positive women's lives increases political commitment to prevention for women in Mexico**
Rosalinda Arechar Lara, Mexico
- 17:25 **Establishment of a program of community pharmacovigilance on HIV/AIDS through the formation of leaders living with HIV**
Juan Simbaqueba, Colombia

Who Is Right and Who Is Wrong: Putting the Right Back into Sexual and Reproductive Rights

Session Number: TUSYog

Session Type: Symposium

Venue: **Session Room 2**

Chairs: Morolake Odetoyinbo, Nigeria

This session focuses on sexual and reproductive rights for people living with HIV from a rights-based approach. It will address: 1) What is the added value of a rights-based approach? 2) How can we convince the decision-makers of that value? and 3) How can we measure progress in achieving rights?

- 16:30 **Desires, circumstances and consequences**
Deloris Dockrey, United States
- 16:44 **Health without rights**
Shaun Mellors, South Africa
- 16:58 **To be or not to be sterilized: respect vs. violation**
Promise Mthembu, South Africa
- 17:12 **Action for rights**
Carlos Garcia de Leon, Mexico

18:30-20:30: Human Rights Networking Zone Session

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18:30-20:30: Satellite Meetings

Access to AIDS Treatment and Intellectual Property in Brazil, South Africa, China, India and Thailand

Session Number: TUSAT25

Venue: **Skills Building Room 6**

Chair: TBD

Organizer: **Associação Brasileira Interdisciplinar de AIDS (ABIA)**

Widespread compliance by developing countries with the World Trade Organizations Agreement on Trade-Related Aspects of Intellectual Property (TRIPS) could have profound effects on access to medicines, including higher prices, fewer suppliers, and reduced use of flexibilities within the TRIPS agreement. This Satellite Meeting will be an important opportunity to strengthen the cooperation between civil society organizations in a number of countries, aimed at guaranteeing access to medicines for all who need them.

Crime and Punishment: Criminalization of HIV

Session Number: TUSAT26

Venue: Skills Building Room 7

Chairs: TBD

Several countries have laws that are used to criminalize HIV transmission in the name of promoting public health. Yet these laws can have a negative impact on accessing and uptake of sexual and reproductive health services and promoting health seeking behaviors. The experience of HIV related stigma—especially as felt by people living with HIV—is a reality that many of these laws fail to appreciate. This interactive session will address a number of key questions in determining sound HIV policy and practice. These include: What are the arguments for and against criminalizing HIV transmission? How does criminalization of HIV affect people living with HIV? Can and should laws and policies be used to control intimate behaviors? How do issues of race, sexual orientation, and gender affect the implementation of policies? What are possible alternatives to criminalizing HIV transmission?

AIDS, Race, Gender and Inequality in the Americas

Session Number: TUSAT10

Venue: Session Room 2

Chair: Rebecca Gynspan-Mayufis, United States

Organizer: UNDP

This session will address how race, gender, and inequality affect vulnerability to HIV and influence access to prevention, treatment, care, and support services. Panelists from civil society and government will explore current responses to the epidemic in Latin America, the Caribbean, and North America, and whether sufficient attention is being paid to the key factors driving vulnerability. Country case studies will include special attention to issues of race, gender, inequality, and stigma and discrimination faced by people living with HIV. The session will draw on panel presentations and plenary discussions to develop recommendations for more effective responses to the AIDS epidemic in the region.

18:30-19:30: Film Screening

Sex Workers Mini Film Festival

Session Number: TUCA18

Venue: Video Lounge

Presenter: Andrew Hunter, Thailand

The festival will include films in which sex workers voice their opinions regarding so-called “100% Condom Use Programs” and describe the problems created by the “anti-prostitution pledge” required to receive USAID and PEPFAR funds; and a film about the genocide of transgender people and sex workers under the Khmer Rouge regime in Cambodia.

Wednesday, August 6

Conference Day 3

7:00-8:30: Morning Satellite Meeting

Using the Law to Shape the Response to HIV: The Relevance of the SADC PF Model Law on HIV

Session Number: WESAT05

Venue: Skills Building Room 5

Chair: Patrick Balopi, Botswana

Organizer: AIDS and Human Rights Research Unit, Centre for the Study of AIDS & Centre for Human Rights (University of Pretoria, South Africa)

The law has an important role to play in addressing the underlying causes of HIV transmission, ensuring the protection of people infected or affected by HIV and realizing

access to appropriate treatment, care, and support services. Recognizing this role, the Southern African Development Community Parliamentary Forum (SADC PF) has engaged since 2007 in the process of developing a Model Law on HIV in SADC. The development of the Model Law on HIV has brought together members of parliaments, law reform commissions, judges, civil society and human rights organizations from the SADC region. This session is aimed at allowing people living with HIV, members of parliament and civil society organizations from SADC to share the knowledge and experience gained in the process of developing the Model Law on HIV. The session is also aimed at creating awareness and support at the global level on the Model Law on HIV in SADC.

7:00 Panel discussion

Overview of the provisions and norms in the draft SADC PF Model Law

Analysis of issues and processes of the draft SADC PF Model Law

Towards a Model Law on HIV in Southern Africa: the role of civil society

Model Law on HIV: friend or foe – the experience of the Canadian HIV/AIDS Legal Network

8:30-10:00: Human Rights Networking Zone Session

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10:30-11:30: Film Screening

Sex, Drug, Lies

Session Number: WECAo8

Venue: Video Lounge

Organizer: Women’s Network for Unity

Presenter: Keo Tha, Cambodia

This film examines the threat that unethical research can pose to the rights, health, and dignity of women who are poor, are likely to engage in high-risk behaviors, or who live where HIV prevalence is high. The film also looks at poor and vulnerable women who battled researchers and pharmaceutical companies.

11:00-12:30: Concurrent Sessions

From Risk to Vulnerability: Caribbean and Global Perspectives

Session Number: WESYo3

Session Type: Symposium

Venue: Session Room 4

Chair: Robert Carr, Jamaica

In many areas of the world, the “biomedical model” of HIV has dominated thinking about appropriate responses to HIV. However, especially in a context of stigma and discrimination against socially excluded groups (such as in the Caribbean), a shift from the bio-medical approach to one that addresses structural drivers of the epidemic is critical.

11:00 **Speaking of sex: gay men vs. men who have sex with men**

Marjan de Bruin, Jamaica

11:15 **Sex work and gender identity: addressing multiple vulnerabilities in the Pacific**

Sesenieli Belo, Fiji

11:30 **Human rights and HIV in the Caribbean**

Veronica Cenac, Saint Lucia

11:45 **How risk and vulnerability become ‘socially embedded’: insights into the resilient gap between awareness and safety in HIV**

David Plummer, Guyana

To Transmit or Not to Transmit: Is that Really the Question? Criminalization of HIV Transmission

Session Number: WEAEO1

Session Type: Oral Abstract Session

Venue: Session Room 1

Chairs: Fatima Hassan, South Africa; Beatrice Were, Uganda

The debate over criminalization of “intentional” or “deliberate” HIV transmission is raging, particularly in Africa where a range of new laws and legislative proposals threaten broad punishments against people who transmit HIV to others. This panel will consider this issue in multiple perspectives, include those of women, people living with HIV and AIDS, and human rights advocates.

- 11:00 **Legislation contagion: the spread of problematic new HIV laws in Africa**
Richard Pearshouse, Canada
- 11:15 **Criminalizing HIV transmission: is this what women really need?**
Michaela Clayton, Namibia
- 11:30 **Sex, lies, and prosecutions: criminalization of HIV in Europe and Central Asia**
Julian Hows, United Kingdom
- 11:45 **Criminal law and public health responses to cases of knowing and reckless HIV transmission: complementary or competing policy approaches**
Mike Kennedy, Australia

Gender and HIV: Emerging Issues

Session Number: WEAXo2

Session Type: Oral Abstract Session

Venue: Session Room 10

Chairs: Mary Crewe, South Africa; Jeffrey Grierson, Australia

This session takes stock of efforts to address HIV and AIDS among women and girls. It includes presentations on key human rights issues such as violence against sex workers and the link between HIV vulnerability and denial of women's property and inheritance rights.

- 11:00 **Introduction**
Mary Crewe, South Africa
- 11:05 **Gender issues in the AIDS response: where are we?**
Michel Carael, Switzerland
- 11:20 **Sexual violence against sex workers by police and military in Sud-Kivu, Democratic Republic of the Congo: implications for HIV transmission and access to treatment**
Alphonse Mihigo Ombeni, Democratic Republic of the Congo
- 11:35 **Gender-related barriers to emerging HIV prevention methods: a review of post exposure prophylaxis (PEP) policies**
Britt Herstad, United States
- 11:50 **(Re)Inserting women's voices into the development of HIV prevention in Ghana**
Sophie Wertheimer, Canada
- 12:05 **Women's property rights as a response to HIV and AIDS — lessons from community interventions in Binga, Zimbabwe**
Brigitte Elisabeth Markham, Zimbabwe

Optimizing HIV Testing Interventions

Session Number: WEACo1

Session Type: Oral Abstract Session

Venue: Session Room 5

Chairs: Thomas Coates, United States; Marie Marcelle Deschamps, Haiti

Ensuring universal access to HIV testing while respecting rights of consent, confidentiality, and counseling is a critical human rights issue. This session presents recent evidence on the optimization of HIV testing interventions such as repeat testing, home-based testing, mobile VCT, and partner notification.

- 11:00 **Introduction**
Thomas Coates, United States
- 11:05 **Counseling and testing in health: a public health approach to increase access to health promotion in Mozambique**
Cristina Raposo, Mozambique
- 11:20 **Behavior change among repeat testers in Namibia**
Dvora Joseph, United States

- 11:35 **Urban home-based HIV counseling and testing can improve identification of infected household members of index clients in Kampala**
Cecilia Nawavvu, Uganda
- 11:50 **HIV/AIDS community mobilization (CM) and mobile HIV voluntary counseling and testing (MVCT) utilization in rural Thailand**
Surinda Kawichai, United States
- 12:05 **HIV partner notification: which case interviews yield the highest number of new positive partners in NYC?**
Angelica Bocour, United States

Impact of AIDS on Human Development: Reproduction in the Social Context

Session Number: WESYo2
Session Type: Symposium

Venue: **Session Room 3**

Chairs: Musimbi Kanyoro, United States; Alice Welbourn, United Kingdom

Researchers and grassroots organizers have been calling attention to the social and political context of AIDS and to the specific situation of women since the mid 1980s. In this symposium, the panel will take the social context of reproduction as its central organizing concept. The issues to be discussed are: reproductive choice, fertility, breastfeeding, childcare, and economic subsistence as they relate to AIDS prevention and treatment. The panel will also explore the challenges of AIDS to human development.

- 11:00 **Prevention, treatment, and reproductive choices**
Marion Stevens, South Africa
- 11:07 **Harm reduction and reproduction**
Presenter TBD
- 11:22 **Women, AIDS, fertility, and desire**
Gracia Violeta Ross, Bolivia
- 11:29 **Mother and child dyad issues: breastfeeding and child survival**
Anna Coutsoudis, South Africa

- 11:36 **The economics of social reproduction: inheritance, land, and employment issues for women**
Priya Nanda, India
- 11:43 **Widowhood**
Kousalya Periasamy, India

11:00-12:30: Skills Building Workshop

Faire Face à la Stigmatisation des HSH en Afrique [Session in French]

Session Number: WESBo4
Session Type: Skill Building Workshop

Venue: **Skills Building Room 4**

Chair: Mutale Martin Chonta, Zambia

This workshop will provide an opportunity to discuss the subject of men who have sex with men (MSM) in Africa. In much of the region, there is an increasing recognition of the importance of including MSM in HIV prevention strategies. However homosexual behavior is still highly stigmatized, which can be a barrier to access to HIV prevention and treatment services for MSM.

11:00-12:30: Global Village Session

Rescatando Nuestra Dignidad: La Experiencia del Proyecto Vida Digna Enfrentando Estigma y Discriminación [Session in Spanish]

Session Number: WEGSo1
Session Type: Panel Discussion

Venue: **Global Village Session Room 1**

Organizer: Colectivo Sol

The session will share Vida Digna's project tools and methodology. Vida Digna has successfully demonstrated how stigma can be challenged by grassroots organizations with little resources, even when facing serious prejudice and physical attacks in places with a history of violence motivated by prejudice.

11:00-12:30: Skills Building Workshop**Caring for Carers: A Rights-Based Approach to Supporting and Managing Home Based Care Providers**

Session Number: WESBo8

Venue: Skills Building Room 8

Chair: Hye-Young Lim, South Africa

Home-based care has been advocated by various international and governmental organizations as one of the ways to provide quality care to people living with HIV. The importance and advantage of adequate home-based care cannot be overlooked, especially in a resource poor setting. However, it is equally important that home-based care providers, who are often poor women working on a “voluntary basis,” are adequately trained and supported. The workshop examines the current situation of home-based care providers in southern African states and advocates the application of a rights-based approach to home-based care.

12:00-13:00: Video Screening**The Same As You**

Session Number: WECA09

Session Type: Screening

Venue: Video Lounge

Presenter: Yury Sarankov, Republic of Moldova

This documentary shows cases of discrimination of persons living with HIV in the Republic of Moldova. A hidden camera was used to document the experience of HIV-positive persons trying to get access to different social and medical services.

12:45-14:15: Special Session**Moving from Promises to Actions: Building Global and National Commitment for Evidence-Based Approaches to Addressing Stigma and Discrimination**

Session Number: WESS03

Venue: Session Room 10

Chairs: Paul Perchal, United States; Susan Timberlake, Switzerland

In 2006, UNAIDS categorized HIV stigma and discrimination, along with inequity and human rights abuses, as primary obstacles to scaling up HIV programs and achieving universal access to HIV prevention, care, and treatment. In recent years, researchers and practitioners have made significant progress in identifying the causes and dimensions of stigma, developing practical tools for programs with multiple target groups, and standardizing measures for evaluating programs. The stage is now set for effective strategies that combine interventions across sectors and at multiple levels to generate broad reductions in stigma, discrimination, and gender based violence. Despite this progress, efforts to address stigma's negative impact still remain grossly neglected in national and international AIDS responses. Through a moderated panel format this session will explore some of the key reasons why this critical gap still exists and the urgent actions needed to address it.

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| 12:45 | Connecting the dots between human rights and stigma reduction
<i>Edwin Cameron, South Africa</i> |
| 12:55 | Measuring stigma: the stigma index
<i>Anandi Yuvaraj, India</i> |
| 13:05 | Promoting evidence-based stigma reduction programming
<i>Laura Nyblade, United States</i> |
| 13:15 | Getting stigma reduction on the donor's agenda
<i>Mariam Claeson, United States</i> |
| TBD | Building political leadership for a comprehensive approach to stigma reduction
<i>Angela Pires Pinto, Brazil</i> |

12:45-14:15: Human Rights Networking Zone Session

“Meet the Experts” and Human Rights Networking

Venue: Human Rights Networking Zone (#421)

Human rights experts will be available to respond to delegates' questions or refer them to other resources. Delegates can prepare their own placards for the Human Rights Rally on Thursday, August 7; sign the daily human rights petition; or use this time to network with human rights colleagues from around the world.

13:00-14:00: Poster Discussion Sessions

Mobilizing, Building the Capacity and Researching on Gay, Transgender and MSM Issues

Session Number: WEPDEz

Venue: Skills Building Room 8

Chairs: Ken Morrison, United States; Toni Reis, Brazil

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- 13:00 Japan's local governments' measures targeting MSM and its difficulties: from the results of 111 local government surveys
Arashi Fujibe, Japan
 - 13:05 Capacity building of MSM and TG community based organizations as support to national AIDS control program phase III in India
Vivek Anand, India
 - 13:10 Evidence of the mobilization of the 'men having sex with men' (MSM) community in Africa
Floriane Cutler, France
 - 13:15 Reducing the vulnerabilities of LGBT in Brazil, through advocacy in the legislative branch
Antonio Luiz Martins dos Reis, Brazil
 - 13:20 Advocacy in Latin America: increasing the participation of gay, trans, and MSM communities
Orlando Montoya Herrera, Ecuador
 - 13:35 46% is not acceptable: community mobilization of black gay men to address the HIV epidemic in the United States
A. Cornelius Baker, United States

Harm Reduction: Anything New?

Session Number: WEPDE1

Venue: Skills Building Room 7

Chairs: Konstantin Lezhentsev, Ukraine

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- 13:00 Is more liberal syringe dispensing associated with unsafe syringe disposal? Evidence from the California Syringe Exchange Program Study (CalSEP)
Alex Kral, United States
 - 13:05 Morocco: process and lessons learned from implementing harm reduction policy targeting intravenous injecting drug users in low HIV prevalence setting
Fatima Asouab, Morocco
 - 13:10 Sticking points: barriers to access to needle and syringe programs in Canada
Alison Symington, Canada
 - 13:15 Rumah Cemara, feel and taste the GIPA and GMPUD principle here
Ardhany Suryadarma, Indonesia
 - 13:20 Dependent on rights: assessing treatment of drug dependence from a human rights perspective
Richard Elliott, Canada
 - 13:25 Substitution treatment in Poland: policy obstacles to wide availability of treatment
Kasia Malinowska-Sempruch, Poland

Addressing Gender Inequalities in Prevention

Session Number: WEPDC1

Venue: Skills Building Room 3

Chairs: Anurita Bains, Canada

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- 13:00 Introduction to the topic
Anurita Bains, Canada
 - 13:05 Envisioning a new PEPFAR: effective HIV prevention for women and girls
Jamila Taylor, United States
 - 13:15 Tools for addressing gender-based and HIV-related vulnerabilities in Zimbabwe
Caroline Tinashe Nyamayemombe, Zimbabwe

- 13:25 Promoting gender equity as a strategy to reduce HIV risk and gender-based violence among young men in India
Ravi K. Verma, India
- 13:35 Outreach strategies to engage special/underserved male populations in Peru
Alejandro Fernando Cisneros Dávila, Peru
- 13:45 Luo cultural practices and HIV transmission: a rapid assessment of community practices in rural Western Kenya
Isaiah Oloo, Kenya

14:30-16:00: Concurrent Sessions

HIV on the Job: Policies

Session Number: WEAEO3
Session Type: Oral Abstract Session

Venue: Session Room 8

Chairs: Dorothy Odhiambo, Kenya; Pedro Isabel Morales, Mexico

Over 25 years into the HIV epidemic, discrimination against people living with HIV in the workplace continues to be a major legal challenge with serious implications for public health. This session will describe numerous developments in fighting HIV-based workplace discrimination and ask what needs to be done to end this worldwide scourge.

- 14:30 APEC guidelines on HIV/AIDS in the workplace: dissemination and implementation
David Patterson, Canada
- 14:45 Discrimination at the workplace: winning the battles but losing the war?
Mohit Kishore, India
- 15:00 Learning to lead: mainstreaming an HIV curriculum into business executive training programs in South Africa
Caroline Mbi-njifo, South Africa
- 15:15 Implementing an HIV/AIDS policy at a major Caribbean university
Brendan Bain, Jamaica
- 15:30 Starting from scratch: a breakthrough in the formulation of national policy on HIV/AIDS and the world of work – the Russian experience
Irina Sinelina, Russian Federation

Forgotten Truths, Hidden Realities: Addressing the Dynamics of HIV and MSM in Unfavorable Environments

Session Number: WESYo5
Session Type: Symposium

Venue: Session Room 1

Chair: Joel Nana, South Africa

This session will showcase examples of how a range of key actors are addressing issues around homosexuality, sex among men, HIV infection, access to services and treatment, homophobia, and stigma and discrimination, in countries where there is denial of the existence of sex among men. Examples include countries in sub-Saharan Africa, North Africa, the Middle East, and Eastern Europe, as well as India. Speakers will range from gay and HIV activists to researchers to government officials. They will explain how HIV prevention, care, support, and treatment programs for MSM can be successfully implemented in hostile and homophobic contexts.

- 14:30 Overcoming homophobia, violence, stigma and discrimination as a way to promote HIV prevention among gay men in Ghana
Mac-Darling Cobbinah, Ghana
- 14:45 HIV prevention, care and support for MSM in a post-Soviet country: fighting with old stereotypes and new realities
Zoryan Kis, Ukraine
- 15:00 The Yogyakarta Principles at the International AIDS Conference in Mexico, August 2008
Boris Dittrich, Netherlands
- 15:15 From invisibility to being a core high risk group: the journey of India's colorful communities of marginalized sexualities waking up to the genocide of HIV and AIDS
Ashok Row Kavi, India

The New Frontiers of Harm Reduction

Session Number: WESYo6
Session Type: Symposium

Venue: Session Room 2

Chair: Gerry Stimson, United Kingdom; Teresa Robledo de Dios, Spain

Harm Reduction has moved beyond the traditional focus on opiate drugs, injecting drug use, needle and syringe exchanges, and substitution therapy. As our understanding of the global state of drug use has matured in recent years, a more global approach to harm reduction has developed – encompassing human rights, non-injecting drug use, alcohol and tobacco use, issues for producer countries, challenging oppressive legal systems, and engraving drug use within a broader poverty and marginalization agenda. This session will aim to outline some of the new frontiers for the developing international harm reduction agenda – including the frequent violations of the human rights of people who use drugs, the emergence of a new generation of people who use drugs, the engagement of user activists in policy discussion and creation, and the changing scenarios in Africa, Latin America, and the Caribbean.

- 14:30** **HR2 - Harm reduction and human rights**
Rick Lines, United Kingdom
- 14:40** **Young people taking the lead**
Caitlin Padgett, Canada
- 14:50** **HIV and drug use (including alcohol) in Africa**
Olanrewaju Onigbogi, Nigeria
- 15:00** **Nothing about us without us**
Milena Naydenova, Bulgaria
- 15:10** **HIV and non-injecting drug use in Latin America**
Graciela Touze, Argentina

14:30-18:00: Skills Building Workshops

Understanding and Challenging Stigma Faced by Young People Living With HIV

Session Number: WESB11

Venue: Skills Building Room 1

Chair: Chipo Chiiya, Zambia

This workshop, led by young people, will discuss stigma and issues affecting young people. Participants will take part in activities which will help them to reflect on their own attitudes towards young people, particularly as it concerns sex and relationships. There will be opportunities to share experiences of stigma, explore how stigma affects young

people, discuss how young people's sexual rights are being violated, and participate in exercises to explore how to strengthen young people's support structures.

Responsible Media Coverage: Culture, Gender and Human Rights in HIV and AIDS Reporting

Session Number: WESB13

Venue: Skills Building Room 3

Chair: Jeanne Lawler, France

Organizer: UNESCO

How can the media better address the challenges of HIV and AIDS? Do the voices of affected communities receive sufficient coverage? Learn, debate and build partnerships at UNESCO's workshop on responsible HIV and AIDS reporting.

Utilizando Herramientas Políticas y Legales para el Acceso a Tratamiento Antirretroviral [Session in Spanish]

Session Number: WESB15

Venue: Skills Building Room 5

Chairs: Luis A Quiroz, Mexico; Juan Carlos Medel Cabrera, Mexico

Access to treatment with ARVs is vital for people living with HIV. Even though many states guarantee access to ARV treatment, the reality is that in Latin America this access is limited and the quality of care is poor. In this workshop, participants will develop action plans that can be implemented in their communities to perform civil surveillance or "watchdog" functions to guarantee access to quality treatment as part of a human rights framework and according to international recommendations. This workshop is for activists, community members, health providers, PLHIV, and educators.

14:45-15:45: Global Village Workshop**Stepping Stones**

Session Number: WEWS02

Chair: Jane Nambi, Uganda

Organizer: Plan Uganda

This interactive workshop will use drama techniques to introduce participants to tools they can use to promote personal and social change around the gender inequalities that make young women vulnerable to HIV infection as well as to HIV discrimination and stigma.

16:15-17:15: Global Village Workshop**Theater of the Oppressed: An Interactive Experience**

Session Number: WEWS07

Venue: Global Village Youth Pavilion

Chair: Brandon Marshall, Canada

Co-facilitators: Hannah Polley, Canada; Brad Olson, Canada

Organizer: YouthCO AIDS Society & Healing Our Spirit, Canada

Workshop participants will be invited to take the place of an oppressed person and to try to improve or change their situation. Workshop themes will include HIV-related issues such as gender, sexism, sexualities and homophobia, drug use and addiction, classism, and racism. The aim will be to provide youth with the skills to reduce the impact of stigma, discrimination, and oppression on HIV risk and vulnerability among young people.

16:30-18:00: Concurrent Sessions**Criminalization: Why, Where and What Are the Alternatives?**

Session Number: WESY09

Session Type: Symposium

Venue: Session Room 6

Chair: Edwin Cameron, South Africa

This session will seek to understand where criminalization of HIV transmission is occurring and what the reasons are behind it; and to propose alternative responses by which to address the concerns of those who promote criminalization. Speakers will examine whether criminalization of HIV transmission advances either the public health goal of HIV prevention or the criminal law goals of justice and deterrence (or serves any other useful purpose). They will also consider scientific issues that impact on criminalization, such as phylogenetic testing and new studies regarding infectiousness of HIV-positive people receiving treatment, as well as social issues, such as selective enforcement and the impact of criminalization on women living with HIV. The appropriate boundaries of criminalization of HIV transmission, including the appropriate role of the State with regard to intervening in intimate sexual encounters, and the extent to which each sexual partner should take autonomous responsibility for self-protection, will be explored. Following panel presentations there will be an opportunity to engage in discussion with the speakers.

16:30 **Where is criminalization occurring, what does it involve and why?**

Michaela Clayton, Namibia

16:42 **Gender issues: why criminalization doesn't work for women**

Pricilla Misi Hairabwi Mushonga, Zimbabwe

16:54 **What do homophobia, racism, vulnerability and marginalization have to do with it?**

Vuyani Jacobs, South Africa

17:06 **A government against it**

Jayarama Valayden, Mauritius

17:18 **Report back from the Positive Leadership Summit: where do we go from here?**

Presenter TBD

In the AIDS Response, Where is the Leadership for Women's Human Rights?

Session Number: WESY10
Session Type: Symposium

Venue: Session Room 8

Chairs: Mandalit Del Barco, United States; Gracia Violeta Ross, Bolivia

HIV continues to have a devastating impact on the lives of women and girls. Responses to this global pandemic have failed to meet the needs of women and girls and are often not based on human rights. Who is leading in changing the AIDS response to meet the needs of women and girls? Who is accountable? What is missing? Is it merely “lip service” or is there sufficient political commitment to truly address women's human rights as part of the AIDS response? Where are the resources to truly “engender” the AIDS response? This interactive session will engage leaders from community-based organizations, feminist movements, youth networks, and decision-makers from governments and the UN system.

16:30 Panel discussion

Developing a new generation of powerful young women
Imane Khachani, Morocco

Realizing equal rights for girls
Kalindy Bolivar, Ecuador

Delivering on prevention that works for women
Johanna Hanefeld, Germany

Sexual rights and reproductive rights of positive women
Promise Mthembu, South Africa

Defending the rights of women drug users
Nastia Meylakhs, Russian Federation

Globalization, Development, and Free Trade Agreements (FTAs)

Session Number: WEBS03
Session Type: Bridging Session

Venue: Session Room 3

Chairs: Ellen T'Hoen, France; Chan Park, Mexico

This session will examine the relationship between free trade agreements and access to essential medicines, a critical human rights issue in the context of achieving universal access to HIV treatment.

16:30 Panel discussion

NAFTA, CAFTA and access to medicines and food security in Latin America
Gabriela Chaves, Brazil

The nature of FTAs and their role in the global economy
Sanya Reid Smith, Mexico

Impact of FTAs on access to medicines in specific countries in South America
Lidice Lopez Tocon, Guatemala

TBD
Suchart Chongprasert, Thailand

17:00-18:30: Global Village Panel Discussion

Challenging HIV-Related Travel Restrictions

Session Number: WEGS05

Venue: Global Village Session Room 1

Chairs: TBD

Organizer: UNAIDS

This interactive session will provide an important opportunity for persons living with HIV, community and government representatives, and others, to come together to hear from individuals who have been personally affected by HIV-related entry restrictions, to review the outcomes of the International Task Team on HIV-related Travel Restrictions and to plan for country level action to effectively challenge these policies.

18:00-18:50: Video Screening

HIV/AIDS Prevention and Control Amongst Vulnerable Commercial Sex Workers

Session Number: WECA13

Venue: Video Lounge

Presenter: Nelson Masereka

This video features sex workers from Bangladesh, Brazil, Cambodia, Mali, Thailand, and other countries. They describe the problems created by the “anti-prostitution pledge” required to receive USAID and PEPFAR funds. After the screening, a question and answer session will follow.

18:30-20:30: Human Rights Networking Zone Session

Special Event: Meet the Recipient of the International Award for Action on HIV and Human Rights

Venue: Global Village, Human Rights Networking Zone (#421)

Every evening, human rights activists and their friends will gather at the Human Rights Networking Zone to discuss the events of the day; listen to a well-known human rights activist who will summarize the highlights of the day; and relax – or get fired up for action – watching a human rights-themed video or film. Today, they will also meet the recipient of the International Award for Action on HIV and Human Rights, awarded by the Canadian HIV/AIDS Legal Network and Human Rights Watch. This year’s recipient will be introduced by Joe Amon, United States, and will briefly address the audience and take questions.

Refreshments will be available.

19:00-20:30: Global Village Performance

From Victimization Toward Inclusion: Celebrating Diversity

Session Number: WECA07

Venue: Global Village Main Stage

Organizer: Blue Diamond Society, Nepal

Modern dances will tell stories, convey the realities of discrimination and abuse, and issue calls for action—not only to prevent the spread of HIV and care for those who live with it, but to correct the injustices that cause HIV’s spread. The Metis do not consider “transgender” to be an adequate identification of their nature. As a “third nature” people, they are rich in diversity. Their program will reflect this. They are leaders in the fight against HIV and for human rights for LGBTI in Nepal.

Thursday, August 7

Conference Day 4

8:30-10:00: Human Rights Networking Zone Session

Daily Human Rights Petition and Breakfast

Venue: Global Village, Human Rights Networking Zone (#421)

Over coffee and refreshments, participants take action on HIV and human rights by signing the daily petition on an urgent HIV and human rights issue and writing on the “Human Rights Inspiration Wall.” In addition, they can check out the human rights “poster of the day”; listen to an inspiring talk on HIV and human rights that pushes the boundaries; pick up the summary of the human rights highlights of the previous day; and plan their daily human rights activities.

8:45-10:30: Plenary Session

Session Number: THPL01

Session Type: Plenary

Venue: **Session Room 1**

Chairs: Lars Kallings, Sweden; Jacob Gayle, United States; Kevin De Cock, Switzerland

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- 8:45 Prize Presentation: Young Investigator
- 9:00 **Advances in ART**
Anton Pozniak, United Kingdom
- 9:25 **Greater involvement of people living with HIV in health care**
Rolake Odetoynbo, Nigeria
- 9:50 **ART scale-up**
Gregg Gonsalves, United States

10:45-11:45: Global Village Discussion

Criminalizing HIV+ Transmission – Good, Bad, or Pointless? A Community Discussion

Session Number: THGS01

Venue: **Global Village Session Room 1**

Chair: Lisa Power, United Kingdom

Organizer: Independent PWA /Terence Higgins Trust, United Kingdom

States are increasingly choosing to legislate, prosecute, and convict persons living with HIV who expose others to possible transmission of HIV. Is this leading to the infringement of the human rights of persons living with HIV? Under what circumstances should the criminal law be used?

11:00-12:30: Concurrent Sessions

Getting our Voices Heard: Shaping Public Policy

Session Number: THAE01

Session Type: Oral Abstract Session

Venue: **Session Room 10**

Chairs: Carlos Garcia de Leon, Mexico; Maura Elaripe Mea, Papua New Guinea

This session presents diverse experiences with policy transformation, such as the reauthorization of the U.S. global AIDS legislation, the establishment of harm reduction in Iran, and the development of a policy on orphans and vulnerable children in South Africa. Lessons from attempts to influence governments from around the world will be explored and shared.

- 11:00 **Improving the U.S. response to the global pandemic: advocacy opportunities post PEPFAR reauthorization**
Clare Dougherty, United States
- 11:15 **Getting A, B, and C back to their public health roots: the evolution of the ABC approach to prevent sexual transmission of HIV**
Karen Hardee, United States
- 11:30 **Science into politics - case study: HIV/AIDS and harm reduction in the Islamic Republic of Iran**
Margaret Salmon, United States
- 11:45 **Experience from joint technical missions in informing policy and action to accelerate national PMTCT and pediatric HIV CST response through dialogue**
Mariam Jashi, United States
- 12:00 **Children influencing policy: developing an OVC policy for Limpopo Department of Health and Social Development in South Africa**
Juliana Thornton, South Africa

Human Rights, HIV, and Sex Work Policy

Session Number: THSY04

Session Type: Symposium

Venue: **Session Room 8**

Chair: Cheryl Overs, Thailand

This session will bring together speakers from around the world, including sex worker and HIV activists, human

rights experts, academics, and feminists, to discuss the implications of recent changes in policy concerning sex work and HIV, and to examine where these shifts are coming from and why they are happening now. Additionally there will be an examination of the evidence for anti-trafficking and "raid and rescue" programs and an analysis of international treaties and laws that relate to prostitution to see if there is any legal basis for this approach.

- 11:00 Introduction**
Gulnara Kurmanova, Kyrgyzstan
- 11:05 Film on the impact of anti-trafficking programs on sex workers and HIV programs**
Chutchai Kongmont, Thailand
- 11:10 HIV programming and our human rights: a sex workers perspective**
Alejandra Gil, Mexico
- 11:20 There is no human right "not to be a sex worker." Why rights-based programs need to focus on HIV and sexual and reproductive health and rights**
Dorothy Aken Ova, Nigeria
- 11:30 The view from the ground: the impact of raids and rescues on communities and on sex worker HIV programs**
Meena Seshu, India

Palliative Care

Session Number: THSYo2

Session Type: Symposium

Venue: Session Room 3

Chair: Mary Callaway, United States

In the context of HIV, palliative care seeks to address the needs of patients, families, and carers through the provision of a comprehensive service addressing physical, spiritual, and psychosocial pain and other problems from the time of diagnosis to the end of life. Palliative care also includes bereavement care and the care of orphans and vulnerable children. The session will look at the moral imperative to build on the foundation of palliative care as a human right to ensure that palliative care services are available to all those affected by HIV.

11:00 Panel discussion

Palliative care: a key element of the treatment and care continuum

Liliana De Lima, United States

Palliative care: a human right

Lisbeth Quesada Tristan, Costa Rica

Palliative care: the health systems approach

Zodwa Sithole, South Africa

Palliative care: overcoming the barriers to the comprehensive response including access to pain and symptom management

Presenter TBD

11:00-12:30: Skills Building Workshop

Sexual Orientation, Gender Identities, Human Rights in a Nepali Context

Session Number: THSBo3

Venue: Skills Building Room 3

Chair: Roshan Mahato, Nepal

This workshop will address biases in Nepali society. Those who are not male or female and heterosexual are excluded from society – often denied human rights and abused. The exclusion results in low self-esteem, vulnerability to HIV and STIs, and psychological suffering.

12:00-12:45: Global Village Session

Amajita (a group of men) & AIDS: Adolescent AWT (Awaiting Trial Detainees) Speak Out on Masculinity and HIV Prevention

Session Number: THGSo2

Session Type: Presentation Q&A

Venue: Global Village Session Room 1

Chair: Jabulisile Tugwana, United States

Organizer: Columbia University HIV Center for Clinical and Behavioral Studies, United States

This presentation aims to draw on lessons learned from a youth-to-youth intervention for young prisoners awaiting trial in Johannesburg Prison, and will report on the practi-

cal implications of implementing similar programs within other high-risk communities. The lessons are packaged into monologues, rap songs, or poetry for broadcast on local and international youth media outlets in an effort to stimulate debate on sexism, stigma and marginalization as barriers to HIV prevention.

12:30-13:00: Global Village Performance

Mariko Passion: Educated Whore and Urban Geisha

Session Number: THCAo3

Venue: Global Village Main Stage

Organizer: Sex Workers Outreach Project-LA, United States

Mariko Passion is a performance artist/activist/educator/whore revolutionary. She sings and rhymes her experiences and reality over beats, produces and edits documentary videos, and educates communities across the U.S. and internationally on issues related to sex worker rights.

12:45-13:30: Human Rights Networking Zone Session

Final Preparation for the Human Rights Rally

Venue: Human Rights Networking Zone (#421)

This will be delegates' last chance to prepare their own placards for the Human Rights Rally that will start at 13:30.

13:00-14:00: Global Village Session

Meet the Plenary Speakers Day 4

Session Number: THGSo3

Session Type: Meet the Plenary Speakers

Venue: Global Village Session Room 1

The Meet the Plenary Speaker sessions bring the conference plenary speakers to the community and allow interaction and dialogue. Thursday's plenary speakers include leading AIDS and human rights activists Rolake Odetoyinbo (Nigeria) and Gregg Gonsalves (United States).

13:00-14:00: Poster Discussion Sessions

Children and AIDS: Beyond the Health Response

Session Number: THPDE1

Venue: Skills Building Room 7

Chairs: Linda Richter, South Africa

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| 13:00 | Introduction
<i>Linda Richter, South Africa</i> |
| 13:05 | Scaling up the response to orphans and vulnerable children in Cambodia through a structured, evidence-based, multisectoral process
<i>Keo Borent, Cambodia</i> |
| 13:15 | The role of cash transfer programs in protecting the education, health, and nutrition of children in AIDS-affected families: evidence to date and key policy debates
<i>Michelle Adato, United States</i> |
| 13:25 | Using the law to mitigate the effects and impact of HIV/AIDS to children in Zimbabwe
<i>Petronella Nenjerama, Zimbabwe</i> |
| 13:35 | Utilizing which resort? The role of residential care for children in the care and treatment of children infected and affected by HIV and AIDS in South Africa
<i>Susan Moses, South Africa</i> |

HIV and MSM: Evolving Risk, Transmission, and Prevention Opportunities

Session Number: THPDC2

Venue: Skills Building Room 4

Chair: Kevin Fenton, United States

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| 13:00 | Which HIV-infected men who have sex with men (MSM) in care are most likely to transmit HIV to others?
<i>Kenneth Mayer, United States</i> |
| 13:05 | Marriage, social isolation and sexual risk among Vietnamese MSM
<i>Tri Do, United States</i> |

- 13:10 HCV is emerging as an STI among HIV-infected MSM: A threat to the MSM community?
Anouk Titia Urbanus, Netherlands
- 13:15 HIV-service-based screening for violence (GBV and discrimination) in marginalized vulnerable populations (MSM/TG)
Anne Eckman, United States
- 13:20 Condom induced erectile dysfunction (COINED): a unique predictor of deliberate sexual risk
Udi Davidovich, Netherlands

**Dangers from Within and Without:
Violence Against Sex Workers by Police and Intimate Partners**

Session Number: THPDD2

Venue: Skills Building Room 6

Chair: Marta Lamas, Mexico

- 13:00 Introduction to the topic
Marta Lamas, Mexico

- 13:05 Double jeopardy: women at risk for HIV who trade sex with police officers
Linda Cottler, United States
- 13:10 Law enforcement, sex work, crime, and HIV: working with police and sex workers within an illegal context in Edo state, Nigeria
Onoriode Ezire, Nigeria
- 13:15 Intimate partner violence among female sex workers in two Mexico-U.S. border cities
Monica Ulibarri, United States
- 13:20 A mediation model examining the relationship between client perpetrated abuse, injection drug use, and HIV status among female sex workers in two Mexico-U.S. border cities
Monica Ulibarri, United States
- 13:25 Trends and determinants of gender-based violence among female sex workers in Kenya
Jerry Okal, Kenya
- 13:30 Clients of sex workers... Didn't see them, didn't hear them, didn't identify them
Susana Lungo, Guatemala

13:30-14:30: Special Event

International Rally for Human Rights and HIV/AIDS

Session Number: THCA19
Session Type: Special Event

Venue: Global Village Main Stage

Organizer: Human Rights Networking Zone

This rally will bring together HIV and human rights activists from around the world to express support for populations at high risk for HIV, and for vastly greater attention to human rights in the response to HIV.

During the rally, a copy of the declaration, *Human Rights and HIV/AIDS: Now More Than Ever*, endorsed by over 500 organizations worldwide, will be presented to high-level officials. Participants will gather at 13:30 in the space in front of the main stage in the Global Village. The rally will feature keynote addresses by Mary Robinson (Executive Director of the Ethical Globalization Initiative and former UN High Commissioner for Human Rights and President of Ireland), Michel Kazatchkine (Executive Director of the Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria) and Peter Piot (Executive Director of UNAIDS), among others.

14:30-16:00: Symposium

The Role of Human Rights in HIV Related Interventions Amongst Vulnerable Groups

Session Number: THSYo5

Session Type: Symposium

Venue: **Session Room 2**

Chair: **Edgar Carrasco, Venezuela**

Responses to HIV increasingly veer towards medical models. Though human rights language is included in many HIV policies and programs, many still question whether human rights-based approaches are effective. The session will lay out the theoretical basis of human rights-based HIV interventions, vindicated by empirical evidence, and then develop the theme by contrasting interventions in which human rights have been central with those in which human rights are absent or negated.

14:30 Panel discussion

Human rights: the link to HIV

Scott Burris, United States

Civil society and the state's response to vulnerabilities and criminalization of sex work in India: the place of human rights

Simranjit Jana, India

Impact of negation of human rights in drug harm reduction interventions amongst drug users in Thailand

Karyn Kaplan, Thailand

Vulnerabilities of Native and Afro-American communities in the Americas to HIV

Mirtha Colon, Honduras

Human rights in response to HIV in state plans

Mark Heywood, South Africa

14:30-15:15: Global Village Performance

Star Whores 2

Session Number: THCAo4

Venue: **Global Village Main Stage**

Organizer: **Asia Pacific Network of Sex Workers, Thailand**

This show will include interview footage with (adult) children of sex workers about their views on the discrimination faced by themselves and their mothers. This will be combined with original karaoke songs and dance, drama, and performance art around the theme of health and human rights—including the right to self determination and sex workers' right to be involved in the formulation of policies that affect their lives.

16:30-18:00: Oral Abstract Sessions

Advancing Human Rights in the AIDS Response

Session Number: THAEo3

Venue: **Session Room 3**

Chairs: **Ralf Jürgens, Canada; Andrew Paul Hunter, Thailand**

Following on the heels of the International Rally for Human Rights and HIV/AIDS and a non-abstract session, "The Role of Human Rights in HIV-Related Interventions Amongst Vulnerable Groups," this session will continue the human rights theme with presentations on the Now More Than Ever declaration and campaign, law reform in Central America, the human rights of sex workers, and legislation protecting women's rights in the context of HIV.

16:30 **Topic overview**
Ralf Jürgens, Canada

16:40 **The Now More Than Ever declaration: defining and taking action on AIDS and human rights**
Jonathan Cohen, United States

16:55 **Human rights and HIV/AIDS: legislation, policy and practice in five Central American countries**
Diego Postigo Otero, Panama

- 17:10 Sex workers' experience of police raids and violence in Central and Eastern Europe and Central Asia (CEE/CA): implications for HIV transmission
Anna-Louise Crago, Hungary
- 17:25 HIV disclosure laws within a criminalized sex industry: the failure of prevention strategies and policy to protect the basic human rights of sex workers
Kate Shannon, Canada
- 17:40 Rape, sexual assault, domestic violence and HIV: promoting women's rights through legislation
Richard Pearshouse, Canada

Building Citizenship for HIV and AIDS

Session Number: THADo3

Venue: Session Room 7

Chairs: Richard Parker, United States; Ana Luisa Liguori, Mexico

This session will explore the concept of HIV and citizenship. Following an introduction of the concept by Richard Parker, presenters will explore the link between HIV/AIDS and the citizenship of populations such as people in shanty towns, members of the military, black civil society, and women.

- 16:30 Introduction: the concept of citizenship
Richard Parker, United States
- 16:35 New forms of citizenship and sociopolitical inclusion: universal access to ART in the shanty towns of Rio de Janeiro
Fabian Cataldo, United Kingdom
- 16:50 Legal claims by HIV+ military men in Mexico: sexuality as a phantom in the defense of sexual rights
Ana Amuchastegui, Mexico
- 17:05 "Sexual citizenship": articulating research and activism to consolidate sexual rights and confront HIV/AIDS in Latin America, 2003-2007
Griselda Perez Luna Gallardo, Peru
- 17:20 Mobilizing black civil society to engage and carry out HIV/AIDS prevention and education through a social change agent training model
Charlie Baran, United States
- 17:35 Building a movement to advance gender equity in HIV and AIDS through local-global alliances
Shari Margolese, Canada

Late Breaker Track E

Session number: THAEo4

Venue : Session Room 10

Chair: Sukhontha Kongsin, Thailand

- 16:30 The impact of the Kenya post-election conflict on medication and visit adherence for HIV-infected children in Western Kenya
Rachel Vreeman, United States
- 16:45 Delivery past due: agreement between Rwanda and Canadian generic pharmaceutical company represents historic first use of WTO rules on compulsory licensing for export, but could be last
Richard Elliott, Canada
- 17:00 Building sustainable HIV responses with those who matter most. A Caribbean experience of improving quality of lives and promoting lasting, meaningful, and active leadership of PLWHAs and other vulnerable groups in the HIV response
Sarah Adomakoh, Barbados
- 17:15 Tackling HIV and gender-based violence in South Africa: organizational responses to PEPFAR
Elena Ghanotakis, United States
- 17:30 Somos peruanos, somos diversos, seámoslo siempre. The first national and decentralized campaign against the stigma and discrimination towards LTGB and SW in Peru
Infante Romero, Manule Giovanni, Peru
- 17:45 Monitoring of the UNGASS AIDS goals: the experience of the Brazilian civil society
José Carlos Silva, Brazil

16:30-18:00: Skills Building Workshop

Mainstreaming Gender Equality and Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights

Session Number: THSB21

Venue: Skills Building Room 7

Chairs: Pamela Young, United States; Muriel Visser-Valfrey, France

Gender inequality contributes to vulnerability to HIV infection and to the social and economic consequences of HIV/AIDS. This workshop will help participants address gender inequalities and sexual and reproductive health and rights in programming.

17:00-17:45: Global Village Session

Derechos Humanos y VIH/Sida en Guatemala [Session in Spanish]

Session Number: THGS09

Session Type: Presentation Q&A

Venue: Global Village Session Room 2

Organizer: Office of Human Rights, Guatemala

Presenters: Jhoanna Castillo, Guatemala; Pablo Werner Ramírez, Guatemala

Presentation about the mission and vision of the Procuraduría de los Derechos Humanos (PDH) in the protection and promotion of human rights of people living with HIV/AIDS in Guatemala, and how that issue has been addressed at the national and global levels.

18:30-20:30: Special Event

Closing Party at the Human Rights Networking Zone

Venue: Human Rights Networking Zone (#421)

Human rights activists and their friends will gather at the Human Rights Networking Zone to celebrate the accomplishments of the week. Amid toasts and closing remarks, activists will start planning human rights activities for AIDS 2010 and have fun. Live performances, snacks and drinks will be in store!

18:30-20:30: Satellite Sessions

International Legal Initiative to Strengthen National Responses to HIV/AIDS Through the Workplace

Session Number: THSAT07

Venue: Session Room 8

Organizer: International Labour Organization

Workplaces are key entry points to inform, prevent HIV and discrimination, and provide universal access to HIV treatment. In 2009, the International Labor Conference of the ILO will hold a first discussion on a new international labor standard: an autonomous recommendation on HIV and AIDS in the world of work. This Satellite will involve policy makers, governments as well as employers' and workers' representatives, international and regional organizations, legal experts and practitioners, and other key stakeholders involved in the national response to HIV and AIDS. The expected outcome is to have a broad dialogue that will feed into the new international labor standard.

Drug Policy, HIV, and Human Rights: A Latin American Perspective

Session Number: THSAT17

Venue: Skills Building Room 10

Chair: Ana Paula Hernandez, Mexico

Presenters: TBD

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| 18:30 | Harm reduction and sensible drug policy as a fundamental aspect of the right to health |
| 18:40 | The role of social action |
| 18:50 | Harm reduction as part of public health programs and policies in Mexico |
| 19:00 | The role of the legislative power in changing drug policy in Mexico |
| 19:10 | Harm reduction and HIV |
| 19:20 | Drug abuse and HIV prevention |
| 19:30 | Constructing an integral approach to drug policy with a human rights perspective |

Key Population Response to HIV/AIDS in Latin America: A Study as to How the Latin American Response to the HIV/AIDS Epidemic has Brought Influence to Bear on Social Development, Legislation, Public Policies, and Respect for Human Rights in the Region

Session Number: THSAT15

Venue: Skills Building Room 8

Chairs: Jacqueline Cortes, Brazil; Claudia Herlt, Brazil

MenEngage: Developing a Global Movement to Work with Boys and Men for Gender Equality

Session Number: THSAT06

Venue: Session Room 7

Chair: Andrew Leveck, United States

A growing number of HIV programs are finding innovative ways to work with men and boys by encouraging a reflective process that explores how gender inequities and rigid messages about masculinity contribute to HIV, STIs, gender-based violence and other health-related problems. At the forefront of this movement is an alliance of nongovernmental organizations and UN agencies called MenEngage. Members of the MenEngage alliance are involved in an array of research, interventions, and policy initiatives seeking to engage men and boys in meaningful ways. In 2007, some members in MenEngage connected with the Institute of Development Studies (IDS) and a range of researchers, programmers and policy makers, in an international symposium on "politicizing masculinities," considering ways forward in making work with men and boys more political and engaged with other social movements. This session will reflect on efforts to engage men and boys in such movements, while also sharing information about MenEngage and ways for conference participants to become active members of its network. It will conclude with participants convening in small groups based on country and/or region. Participants will learn about the work of current MenEngage regional efforts and share input on ways to expand the size and scope of country-level networks.

HIV Testing: New Models Shattering the Barriers to Universal Access to Treatment

Session Number: THSAT99

Venue: Session Room 3

The majority of the people in the world do not know their status and universal access to treatment cannot be achieved until there is universal access to testing. Current VCT models will not be enough. This session will look at new models that expand access to free, rapid, and reliable HIV testing. Confidentiality and disclosure issues will be discussed.

Double Discrimination: HIV/AIDS and Disabilities

Venue: Session Room 5

It is estimated that 650 million people worldwide live with a disability significant enough to make a difference in their daily lives. All of the risk factors associated with HIV are increased for people with disabilities, yet people with disabilities are excluded from HIV prevention, treatment, and care services. AIDS-Free World and Disabled Peoples' International are hosting this innovative satellite session to push the international AIDS community to break the silence, end the stigma, and ensure that HIV education, intervention, and services reach individuals with disabilities worldwide. The satellite will be presented in an unusual, interactive "town hall" format without formal presentations. Moderated by Avi Lewis, television host of Aljazeera's "Inside USA," panelists and audience members will engage in a range of discussions, including topics such as: the intersection of AIDS and disability worldwide; the barriers to prevention, treatment, and care faced by people with disabilities; the neglect of people with disabilities by the global AIDS community; and innovative efforts by AIDS service organizations to end exclusion of people with disabilities.

Friday, August 8

Conference Day 5

8:15-10:30: Plenary Session

Session Number: FRPL01

Venue: Session Room 1

Chairs: Julio Frenk, Mexico; Jean Francoise Delfraissey, France; Paul Bekkers, Netherlands; Sigrun Mogedal, Norway

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| 8:15 | Prize Presentation |
| 8:30 | HIV and TB
<i>Chakaya Jeremiah, Kenya</i> |
| 8:55 | HIV prevention: what have we learned from community experiences in concentrated epidemics?
<i>Bruno Spire, France</i> |
| 9:20 | Criminal statutes and criminal prosecutions in the epidemic: help or hindrance?
<i>Edwin Cameron, South Africa</i> |
| 9:45 | Investing in gender equality: why women and girls matter in the AIDS response
<i>Zonibel Woods, Canada</i> |

11:00-13:00: Rapporteur Session

Session Number: FRPL02

Session Type: Plenary

Venue: Session Room 1

This session will include the summary reports of all conference tracks. Human rights issues will be featured centrally in the report from track E (Mandeep Dhaliwal, India).

Law and Health Initiative

The Law and Health Initiative (LAHI), a division of the Open Society Institute's Public Health Program, promotes legal action to advance public health goals worldwide. LAHI supports legal assistance, litigation, and law reform efforts on a range of health issues, including patient care, HIV and AIDS, harm reduction, palliative care, sexual health, mental health, and Roma health. LAHI's priorities include integrating legal services into health programs, strengthening human rights protections within health settings, and developing training and education programs in law and health. A special focus is on supporting organizations and advocacy campaigns dedicated to ending human rights abuses linked to the global AIDS epidemic. By bringing together legal, public health, and human rights organizations, LAHI seeks to build a broad movement for law-based approaches to health and for the human rights of society's most marginalized groups.

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