Conference Programme and Scientific Sessions

Day 1: 24 November 2022

Light breakfast available from 07h15 – for registration and networking

08:40 – 09:00

Welcome and Opening

Professor Pontiano Kaleebu, Director, Uganda Virus Research Institute (UVRI) & Director of MRC/UVRI and LSHTM Uganda Research Unit, Uganda

Dr Ahmed Ogwell Ouma, Director-General a.i., Africa Centres for Disease Control and Prevention, Ethiopia

Professor Trudie Lang, Director, The Global Health Network, United Kingdom

09:00 – 10:30

Session 1: Fostering Leadership and Building Lasting Capable Research Teams

Chair: Lolem B. Ngong, Chief of Staff, Amref Health Africa, Kenya

Plenary

WHO and needs-driven research in under-represented populations, a 2022 World Health Assembly Resolution

Dr Vasee Moorthy, Senior Advisor R&D, World Health Organization, Switzerland

Talks

Slum and Rural Health Initiative Research with Purpose Academy (SRA): Building Interdisciplinary Research Capacity and Leadership
Miracle Adesina, Senior Research Associate and Country Coordinator (Nigeria), Slum and Rural Health Initiative, Nigeria

Building a Research Network through Clinical Research Collaboration
Dr Anani Badje, Project Manager (Côte d'Ivoire), Programme PACCI, Côte d'Ivoire

Coordination of a Global Network for Creating Enabling Environments for Social Innovations in Health
José René Bagani Cruz, Network Coordinator, Social Innovation in Health Initiative, Philippines

Presence of the Scientific Advisory Committee contributes to enhance the academic development of the Hospital
Glenda Ernst, Scientific Committee Coordinator, Hospital Britanico, Argentina

"Beyond theory": Methodological mentoring to strengthen health research.
Dr Fernando Rubinstein, Director of Education, Instituto de Efectividad Clinica y Sanitaria (IECS), Argentina

10:30 – 11:00

Coffee Break and Posters

11:00 – 12:30

Session 2: Ensuring Research Findings are Taken Up into Policy and Practice

Chair: Professor John Reeder, Director, Special Programme for Research

and Training in Tropical Diseases (TDR) & Director, Department of Research for Health

World Health Organization, Switzerland

Plenary

Building Health Research into Health Systems in Bangladesh by Embedding Skills and Supporting the Whole Research Cycle

Dr Aliya Naheed, Scientist, Initiative for Non Communicable Diseases, Health System and Population Studies Division, icddr,b and lead for The Global Health Network Asia Regional Coordination Centre, Bangladesh

Talks

From policy to practice: lessons learned from two regional consultations on strengthening the implementation of tobacco control policies in India
Vivek Dsouza, Research Officer, Institute of Public Health, Bengaluru, India

Science-based health innovation in Uganda: creative strategies for applying research to development
Nalwoga Aminah, Researcher, Save A Life Foundation, Uganda

Bridging the gap from Knowledge to Action: Implementation of the Data to Policy (D2P) training program at sub-national levels in Zambia
Kutha Banda, Senior Program Officer - Learning and Evaluation, Clinton Health Access Initiative, Zambia

Improving prison health in Madagascar through knowledge translation: an innovative challenge
Elodie Chevallier, Project Coordinator, Institut Pasteur De Madagascar, Madagascar

Promoting health and gender equity through research ethics capacity-building: the Spanish-West African experience
Farah Nabil, Research Associate & Project Manager, Universidad De Zaragoza, Spain

Towards Achieving improved access to youth-friendly Sexual Reproductive Health and Rights (SRHR) services in Cross River State (CRS) Nigeria; Sustaining Evidence-Driven Advocacy through the CRS SRHR policy
Goodness Odey, Public Health Practitioner, University of Calabar, Nigeria
Madonna Badom, Youth Advocate, UNFPA, Nigeria

12.30 - 14.00

Lunch Break and Posters

14.00 - 15.30

Session 3: Enabling Health Research in Every Healthcare Setting

Chair: Dr Sally Nicholas, Head of Health Systems and Environments, Wellcome, United Kingdom

Plenary

EDCTP: Connecting and Building Research Excellence Across Africa

Dr Tom Nyirenda, Strategic Partnerships and Capacity Development Manager, EDCTP, South Africa

Talks

The WorldWide Antimalarial Resistance Network's efforts to "level the playing fields" for data sharing by researchers in malaria endemic countries

Professor Karen Barnes, Head of the Pharmacology Group, WWARN, South Africa

The Neuroviruses Emerging in the Americas Network (NEAS): fostering research of Acute Neuroinflammatory Disorders (ANIDs) in healthcare settings in Colombia

Jose Miguel Enciso Gutierrez, Research Assistant, Universidad Del Valle, Colombia

Challenges in building research skills, experience and opportunities with the Honduras Health Care System Dr Jackeline Alger, Parasitologist, Departamento de Laboratorio Clínico, Hospital Escuela, Tegucigalpa, Honduras

Voluntary Consent to Research on HIV-infected Children in the CHAPAS-4 and ODYSSEY HIV Clinical Trials

Shafic Makumbi, Research Manager, Joint Clinical Research Centre, Uganda

Setting an agenda for decolonisation of global health research

Dr Nadia Tagoe, Researcher / Research Manager and Adjunct Lecturer, Kwame Nkrumah University of Science and Technology, Ghana

Capacity of laboratories as surveillance sites for Neisseria gonorrhoeae culture and antimicrobial resistance or susceptibility testing in public hospitals within Kisumu County, Kenya

Walter Agingu, Laboratory Manager, Nyanza Reproductive Health Society, Kenya

15.30 – 16.00

Coffee Break and Posters

16.00-17.30

Session 4: Engaging the Community in Every Step of the Research Cycle

Chair: Dr Mahesh Maskey, Executive Chief, Nepal Public Health Foundation, Nepal

Plenary

Community Engagement – Our Experience with Zika in Brazil

Dr Gustavo Matta, Public Health Researcher, FIOCRUZ, Brazil

Talks

Community engagement in a Community Health Worker program designed for tribal areas, findings of a qualitative study in Kerala, India

Gloria Benny, Research Assistant, The George Institute for Global Health, India

Pictorial evidence profiles for involvement of the less-empowered citizens in high-level decision making

Edward Kayongo, Research Scientist, The Centre for Rapid Evidence Synthesis (ACRES), Uganda

Community sensitisation using participatory arts-based methods for the research study 'Tupumue: Non-communicable lung disease in Kenya: from burden and early life determinants to participatory inter-disciplinary solutions.'

Dr Cressida Bowyer, Senior Research Fellow, University of Portsmouth, United Kingdom

Exploring knowledge of research participants on their roles & responsibilities in clinical research in Blantyre and Chikwawa districts of Southern Malawi: expectation vs reality in practice

Gertrude Banda, Global Health Bioethics Network Fellow/ Scientist, Malawi Liverpool Wellcome Trust, Malawi

Promoting Research Equity and Participation Through Community Engagement: Lessons Learned from the PREVAIL InVITE Study in Liberia

Barthalomew Wilson, Social Mobilization, Communications & Community Engagement Manager, Partnership for Research on Vaccines and Infectious Diseases in Liberia/FHI-Clinical, Liberia

Embracing Agility in the time of COVID- 19: The Case of KEMRI-Wellcome Trust School Engagement Programme, Kilifi Kenya

Angela Kyalo, School Engagement Programme Lead, KEMRI/Wellcome Trust Research Programme, Kenya

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Day 1 Closing Remarks

Professor John Reeder, Director, Special Programme for Research

and Training in Tropical Diseases (TDR) & Director, Department of Research for Health

World Health Organization, Switzerland

Please join a conference photo session for all delegates outside the Sarah Baartman Hall immediately following the closing remarks.

(Please note this will be published and shared widely)

Day 2: 25 November 2022

Light breakfast available from 07h15

08:00 – 08:30

Special Conference Session: Announcing the Designation of The Global Health Network as a World Health Organisation (WHO) Collaborating Centre & Inviting Engagement with a New Open-Access Online Tool to Support Health Research

08:30 – 10:00

Session 5: Improving Health Research Methods and Processes

Chair: Professor Hector H. Garcia, Director, Center for Global Health, Universidad Peruana Cayetano Heredia and Head, Cysticercosis Unit, Instituto Nacional de Ciencias Neurologicas, Lima, Peru

Plenary

The Global Health Network: Enabling health research by sharing knowledge to drive equity in where research happens, who leads and who benefits from the evidence

Professor Trudie Lang, Director, The Global Health Network, United Kingdom

Talks

Participatory visual methods and the mobilization of community knowledge: Working towards more equitable research processes
Gill Black, Director, Sustainable Livelihoods Foundation, South Africa

ClinOps clinical research operation training program in LMICs

Eyasu Makonnen Eshetu, Deputy Head, Center for Innovative Drug Development & Therapeutic Trials for Africa, Addis Ababa University, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia

Effectiveness of a Diabetes Program based on eHealth on capacity building and quality of care in type 2 diabetes: a pragmatic quasi-experimental study
Daniela Morelli, Researcher, Instituto de Efectividad Clinica y Sanitaria (IECS), Argentina

Promoting responsible research processes using digital technology, and its impact on research conduct – an experience from Pakistan
Fatima Khurshid, Associate Clinical Research Officer, Shaukat Khanum Memorial Cancer Hospital and Research Centre & Research Centre, Pakistan

A vision to strengthen resources and capacity of the Palestinian health research system: a qualitative assessment
Mohammed Alkhaldi, Assistant Prof. in Public Health Systems, Management, and Policies, Canadian University Dubai, United Arab Emirates, and Postdoctoral Researcher in Global Health, McGill University, Faculty of Medicine and Health Sciences, Canada

"Innovative open source approaches to automating clinical data management for a large multi-centre cohort study."
Narshion Ngao, Senior Data Manager, KEMRI Wellcome Trust Research Programme

10:00 – 10:30

Coffee Break and Posters

10:30 – 12:00

Session 6: Preventing Pandemics with Responsive Research Systems

Chair: Professor Cristiani Vieira Machado, Education, Information and Communication Vice President, Oswaldo Cruz Foundation, Fiocruz, Brazil

Plenary

Why we need research capabilities in place in every healthcare setting if we are to prevent the next pandemic

Dr John Amuasi, Leader, Global Health and Infectious Diseases Research Group, KCCR-KNUST, Ghana

Talks

Strengthening research ethics governance and regulatory oversight in Central America and the Dominican Republic in response to the COVID-19 pandemic: a qualitative study
Julio Canario, Director, Etikos, Dominican Republic

Research Training Needs in Sub Saharan Africa to Help Ensure Adequate Preparation for Response to Disease Outbreaks
Sylvie Kwedi, University of Yaoundé, Cameroon

Impact of a multicomponent intervention on COVID-19 cases and deaths in the favelas of Rio de Janeiro
Fernando Bozza, Senior Scientist, Oswaldo Cruz Foundation, Brazil

Using human-centered design approaches to develop innovative models for delivery of essential health services in three Philippine rural communities during the COVID-19 pandemic
Marvinson Fajardo, Research Project Manager, Social Innovation ~~i~~in Health Initiative-Philippines Hub

Developing a Policy Statement and Recommendations for Pakistan's Ethics Review Framework and IRBs in Support of Public Health Emergency Preparedness and Response
Farah Asif, Shaukat Khanum Memorial Cancer Hospital and Research Centre, Lahore, Pakistan

The SCORE project: A COVID-19 remote triage, surveillance, and community engagement project in Malawi
Melody Sakala, Malawi Liverpool Wellcome Clinical Research Programme (MLW), Malawi

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Lunch Break and Posters

13:30 – 15.00

Session 7: Generating New Evidence from Data Related to Health

Chair:

Dr Amel Ghouila, Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, United States

Opening Remarks:

Dr Bilal Mateen, Senior Manager (Digital Technology), Wellcome, United Kingdom

Plenary:

Fostering Data Science Capacity and Engagement in Africa

Professor Nicola Mulder, Professor and head of the Computational Biology division, University of Cape Town & Leader H3ABioNet, South Africa

Talks:

Real World Data for measuring primary health care and its effects on maternal & child health in Brazil
Valentina Martufi, Researcher Cidacs/Fiocruz, Brazil

Machine-learning prediction of early postpartum glucose intolerance in women with gestational diabetes mellitus
Durga Parkhi, Postgraduate Researcher, University of Warwick, United Kingdom

Socio-economic factors associated with adolescent pregnancy and motherhood: analysis of the 2017 Ghana maternal health survey
Ephraim Senkyire, Registered General Nurse, Ga West Municipal Hospital-Ghana Health Service, Ghana

Equity in reproductive health care using health equity transformation model
Christy Martina T, Research Scholar, School of Healthy System Studies, India

Assessment of the effect of Community Differentiated Service Delivery models on Viral Load Suppression among Children and Adolescents living with HIV in Uganda.
Dr Christine Mulowoza, Research Coordinator, Ministry of Health - Uganda

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Coffee and Posters

15:20 – 16.40

Session 8: Women in Research

Chair: Dr Iris Mwanza, Deputy Director, Women in Leadership, Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, United States

Panel

Dr Yewande Alimi, Program Coordinator, Antimicrobial Resistance, Africa Centres for Disease Control and Prevention, Ethiopia

Professor Thumbi Ndung'u, Director for basic and translational science, Africa Health Research Institute, South Africa

Dr Aliya Naheed, Scientist, Initiative for Non Communicable Diseases, Health System and Population Studies Division, icddr,b and lead for The Global Health Network Asia Regional Coordination Centre, Bangladesh

Katherine Littler, Co-lead, Global Health Ethics Team, World Health Organisation, Switzerland

Professor Cristiani Vieira Machado, Education, Information and Communication Vice President, Oswaldo Cruz Foundation, Fiocruz, Brazil

Dr Lyda Osorio, Associate Professor, Universidad Del Valle, Colombia

Dr Alice S. Lakati, Director of Research and Community Extension, Amref International University, Kenya

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Conference close: The next 10 years, and beyond!

Dr Raji Tajudeen, Head, Division of Public Health Institutes and Research, Africa Centres for Disease Control and Prevention, Ethiopia. The Global Health Network AFRICA.

Professor Cristiani Vieira Machado, Education, Information and Communication Vice President, Oswaldo Cruz Foundation, Fiocruz, Brazil. The Global Health Network Latin America and the Caribbean

Dr Aliya Naheed, Scientist, Initiative for Non Communicable Diseases, Health System and Population Studies Division, icddr,b Bangladesh. The Global Health Network ASIA.

Professor John Reeder, Director, Special Programme for Research and Training in Tropical Diseases (TDR) & Director, Department of Research for Health World Health Organization, Switzerland

Professor Trudie Lang, Director, The Global Health Network, United Kingdom