



The Afro-European Medical and Research Network (AEMRN) The Netherlands office in collaboration with Swiss based AEMRN Headquarters will be holding our second annual Strategic Planning Symposium on the theme: “Community Systems Strengthening and Malaria Control”

**Date** Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> to Friday 25<sup>th</sup> September, 2009  
**Time** 08:30- 18:30 CET daily  
**Place** Amsterdam RAI Conference Centre, Amsterdam The Netherlands

**Languages** Working language will be English but translations into French will be provided during the symposium.

### **Programme**

#### **Thursday, 24<sup>th</sup> September, 2009**

- 09:30 Internal AEMRN Consultative meeting with consultants and country executives from all over the world to discuss their progress reports
- 12:30 *Registration and welcome coffee/drink*
- 13:30 Introduction of Chairperson  
James Wallace-Kargbo, President AEMRN Holland
- 13:35 **Chairperson’s opening remarks** – Dr. Carissa F. Etienne  
Assistant Director-General Health Systems and Services  
WHO Geneva, Switzerland.
- 13:50 **Overview of Rollback Malaria Partnership and burden of Malaria Globally-** Rollback Malaria Secretariat (RBM) hosted at WHO, Geneva
- 14:15 **Concept of Community Systems Strengthening and Malaria Control.**  
- Rollback Malaria Partnership (RBM) hosted at WHO, Geneva.
- 14:40 **Communities of Health Workforce Strengthening and impact on malaria control.** Dr. Erica Wheeler – Knowledge Officer  
Global Health Workforce Alliance, WHO, Geneva
- 15:10 **Community based Malaria Control Initiative in Congo DRC**  
Prof. M. Ganga-Limando (PhD) Regional Programme Director  
Aga Khan University-East Africa.
- 15:30 *Coffee break, networking and viewing of exhibition*

- 15:50           **“Killing Two Mosquitoes with one Stone: Reducing Malaria Morbidity and Mortality and Providing Jobs with ProVector Bt”**  
 Thomas M. Kollars, Jr., PhD  
 CSA, MIT Holding, Inc. & Emmanuel Clottey, MPH  
 JPHCOPH, Georgia Southern University, USA
- 16:20           **Challenges of Maternal & Child Health Services and Malaria Control in Kitale, North-Western Kenya** - Dr. Geoffrey Kasembeli, Consultant Gynaecologist and Obstetrician, Kitale Government Hospital and Head of AEMRN Kenya.
- 16:40           **Malaria Prevention and Control in Sierra Leone - Our Achievements and Challenges** - Dr. Samuel Baker, Programme Manager, Malaria Control Programme, Sierra Leone.
- 17:10           **Community Systems Strengthening and Malaria Control Experience from young Healthcare providers.**  
 Dr. Prince Masuba, Medical Officer Obstetrics and Gynaecology  
 Princess Christian Maternity Hospital, Fourah Bay Road, Freetown, Sierra Leone  
 Lt. Lahai Konuwa, SRN Nurse - Military Hospital, Freetown, Sierra Leone
- 17:30           **Plenary session**  
 Facilitator- Johnson Belangenyi, AEMRN International project Coordinator
- Apero, networking and further viewing of exhibitions*

**Friday, 25<sup>th</sup> September, 2009**

- 08:00           *Welcome Coffee/Drink*
- 08:30           **Introduction of Chairperson** – Kojo Botchey AEMRN Intl. Sec. General
- 08:35           **Remarks from Chairman**- Mr. Alphonso Dragt, AEMRN Consultant, The Netherlands
- 08:40           **Nurses and Grassroots Women in the fight against HIV and Malaria**  
 - Ms. Nancy Okoto Shazima, Association of Tears of Women, Kenya
- 09:00           **Presentation** from The Global Fund to fight Tuberculosis, HIV/AIDS and Malaria on Community Systems Strengthening and Malaria Control-

- 09:20           **Pharmacists and Pharmacy Education in control of Infectious diseases**  
International Pharmaceutical Federation (IPF), The Hague Netherlands
- 09:40           Keynote address- (To be confirmed)
- 10:00           *Coffee Break and further viewing of exhibition – Film by Novartis*
- 10:30           **"The Link between Diaspora and Development: The case of the Health Sector in Sub-Saharan Africa"**  
Professor Franklyn Lisk, Centre for the Study of Globalisation and Regionalisation.  
University of Warwick, Coventry United Kingdom
- 10:50           **Local Wisdom and Community Systems Strengthening**  
Evelyne Flückiger.Help Khachonge Association Switzerland/Kenya Western
- 11:10           **Religion and Socio-cultural values in the control of diseases in Africa**  
-Dr. Alpha Grace, President Global Ministries and Director Centre for Socio-Cultural Development Neuchatel - CH
- 11:30           **The development of new rapid diagnostics. Research**  
Eline Kattenberg, MSc  
Scientist  
KIT Biomedical Research, Royal Tropical Institute, Amsterdam
- 11:50           **Healthcare delivery services initiative from the private sector**  
Md. Marjaana Seilonen President Ordinary Women International USA and Pastor Werni Bruderer, Executive Director, Global Health Partnership Inc
- 12:20           **LUNCH**
- 12:40           **Introduction of Chairperson** – Mr. Joachim Kikomeko  
Secretary General AEMRN, The Netherlands.
- 13: 55           Chairman's opening remarks - Prof. Thomas M. Kollars, Jr., PhD  
CSA, MIT Holding, Inc. JPHCOPH, Georgia Southern University, USA
- Innovative approaches in Malaria Control - The Kisumu experience with Provector BT in Kenya** -Dr. Barasa Chrystotim,  
14:00           Medical Officer, Paediatric Obs/Gyn Unit Kisumu Government Hospital
- Diaspora initiatives and Community Systems Strengthening via transfer and exchange of skill and technology – Experiences from Switzerland**  
14:30           Mr. Issa Abdullahi, National Coordinator and Mr. Carlson Ngwa, Project Coordinator, Swiss-Africa Forum (SAF), Bern Switzerland
- Remarks** from the Dutch member of parliament
- 14:50           **Saving Precious Lives: "How Coartem became Novartis' largest medicine"** - Hans Rietveld Novartis Pharma AG, Malaria Initiative
- 15:00
- The High Energy Low-Tech Project (HELP) Sustainable, environmental friendly source of solar energy for villages in Africa.**  
15:20           Mark Macauley, AEMRN Consultant United Kingdom.

**Why Malaria Cases will Increase With the Global Warming**

NGENDA HAYO Jean Chrysostome-AFRIKARITA Rwanda/Switzerland

15:35

**Contribution from International Organisation for Migration (IOM),**  
Netherlands -

16:00

**Low-Cost sustainable Continuous Professional Development to  
Strengthen Community of Healthcare Professionals.**

Prof. Dick Heller, Emeritus Professor and Dr Deb Kay Coordinators

16:20

Peoples-university Universities of Manchester, UK, and Newcastle, Australia

*Coffee break and brainstorming sessions*

16:40

Group A, Facilitator from RBM

Group B, Facilitator from RBM/WV

Group C, Facilitator from RBM

Report from brainstorming session and final plenary session.

17:00

Recommendations, topic and venue for 2010 symposium

– Facilitated by Dr. Charles Senessie, President AEMRN Intl.

17:20

Vote of thanks Dr. Mustapha Kabbah, President, AEMRN Germany

*Continued discussion and further viewing of exhibition*

Afro European Fundraising Buffet Dinner and Entertainment evening