The 6th Conference on Global Health and Vaccination Research and The Norwegian Medical Association’s 125th Anniversary Conference

Contributions to Global Health Research, Capacity building and Governance

12 - 13th September 2011, Soria Moria Hotel & Conference center, Oslo
General Information

Location
All presentations on Monday will be held at the plenary meeting room «Storesal». Parallel sessions on Tuesday are located at the following plenary meeting rooms:

Møterom 1
Parallel session 1
Building capacity in low and middle income countries through partnerships in education and research
Time: 8.45 - 10

Parallel session 4
The role of health professional organisations
Time: 10.30 – 12

Parallel session 7
Roundtable discussion: What can health professional organisations do to further health research in low and middle-income countries?
Time: 13 - 15.30

Møterom 2
Parallel session 2
Vaccination research 1: Tuberculosis diagnostics and vaccines
Time: 8.45 - 10

Parallel session 5
Vaccination research 2 – Norwegian contributions and international collaborations
Time: 10.30 – 12

Parallel session 8
Reproductive and maternal health - International social science and public health perspectives
Time: 13 - 14.30

Parallel session 10
A presentation of the Tromsø model for trauma care and maternal and perinatal health
Time: 14.35 - 15.30

Storesal
Parallel session 3
Health systems: Research and priorities 1
Time: 8.45 - 10

Parallel session 6
Health systems: Research and priorities 2
Time: 10.30 – 12

Parallel session 9
Panel discussion: Strategies and activities at Norwegian universities and research institutions for capacity building in global health research
Time: 13 - 14.30

Parallel session 11
Teaching global health in Norway - What is happening?
Time: 14.35 – 15.30

General assembly
The Norwegian Forum for Global Health Research
Time: 17:15-19

Conference dinner
The conference dinner, Monday at 19, will be at Soria Moria’s restaurant, «Th. Kittelsen-Stuene». Aperitif and entertainment from 18.30 in «Peisestuen»

Transport
Bus departure from the main entrance of Soria Moria on Tuesday at 17. Buss departure after general assembly approximately 19.

Luggage storage
There is a storage room located in the reception area.
Registration and coffee/tea
Time: 8 - 9

Welcome by the organisers
Time: 9 – 9.15
Chairs: Paul Richard Fife, Norwegian Agency for Development Cooperation and Inger B. Scheel, Norwegian Knowledge Centre for Health Services

Speakers
Hege Gjessing, President
Norwegian Medical Association

Jesper W. Simonsen, Executive Director
The Research Council of Norway

Opening session: Health research, policy and governance
Time: 9.15 – 10.45

Title
Global health and relevance for domestic policy and practice

Global health research for equity and social change: The role of the US, WHO and international partnerships

Linking Research to Policy: A case study of the Ghana

Questions & answers

Coffee break
Time: 10.45 – 11.15

Speaker
Ragnhild Mathisen
State secretary
Ministry of Health

The Honorable Nils Daulaire, Director
Office of Global Health Affairs
U.S. Department of Health and Human Services

John Gyapong, Vice dean
University of Ghana
Research capacity building: institutions and leadership
Time: 11.15 – 12.45
Chair: Per Hjortdahl, the University of Oslo, the Norwegian Medical Association, and Britta Wahren, Karolinska Institute, GLOBVAC programme board

Title
Bridging the gap: Building capacity and synergies for African health
Contributions to Public health institutions and research
Capacity Building of Professional Organisations: The FIGO Perspective
Questions & answers

Lunch
Time: 12.45 – 13.45
Speaker
Francis Omaswa, Executive Director
African Centre for Global Health and Social Transformation
Frederik Frøen, Division Director
Norwegian Institute of Public Health
Hamid Rushwan, Chief Executive
International Federation of Gynecology and Obstetrics

Capacity building and education of health professionals
Time: 13.45 – 15.15
Chair: Elisabeth Søyland, the Norwegian Medical Association, and Gunnar Bjune, the University of Oslo

Title
Health professionals for a new century: An international perspective
New Norwegian strategies: Consequences for the Norwegian institutions
Research and capacity building programmes: The Norwegian experience
Questions & answers

Coffee break
Time: 15.15-15.45
Speaker
Lenias Hwenda, Global health policy advisor
African Group in Geneva
World Health Organization
Knut-Inge Klepp, Division manager
Norwegian Directorate for Health
Rune Nilsen, Director
Centre of International Health
University of Bergen
Poster session and poster presentations
Time: 15.45 – 17.45
Chair: Ottar Mæstad, Chr. Michelsen Institute

Title

Does right-to-health litigation bring justice to health?

Preventing the emerging serogroup X meningococcal disease in the African Meningitis Belt

Adherence to IMCI guidelines in Tanzania. Results from a mixed method study

Assessing applicability, scaling up and equity issues in Cochrane reviews: A worked example from a review of lay health worker interventions in primary and community health care for chronic conditions

Questions and answers

All other poster to be presented by the researcher in the poster mingling area

Break
Time: 16.45-17

Presentation of new programmes
Time: 17-18

The Norwegian Programme for Capacity Building for Higher Education and Research for Development (NORHED)

Programme for Global Health and Vaccination Research: presentation of next call for proposals

Aperitif and entertainment
Time: 18.30 – 19

Conference dinner
Time: 19
Principal speech by Bjarne Bjorvatn
Announcement of best poster award
Morning plenary
Time: 8 – 8.45
Chair: Ole M. Sejersted, University of Oslo

Title
Role of international partnerships in shaping the global health landscape

Speaker
Charles Mgone, Executive Director
European and Developing Countries Clinical Trials Partnership

Parallel sessions

Building capacity in low and middle income countries through partnerships in education and research

Parallel session 1
Time: 8.45 – 10
Chair: Ole M. Sejersted, University of Oslo

The good, the bad and the ugly - education of medical researchers across borders
Nahed Mikki, Paediatrician
Institute of Community and Public Health irzeit University, Palestinian territory

Balancing locally relevant investment in a globalised environment
Mwapatsa Mipando, Dean
Faculty at College of Medicine
University of Malawi

Striving for equality in partnerships in research and capacity building
Nina Langeland, Dean
Institute of medicine
University of Bergen

Discussion

Vaccination research 1: Tuberculosis diagnostics and vaccines

Parallel session 2
Time: 8.45 - 10
Chair: Ann-Mari Svennerholm, University of Gothenburg and member of GLOBVAC board

Preparing for tuberculosis vaccine efficacy trials: Baseline epidemiology, improved diagnosis, markers of protection and phase I/II trials
Harleen Grewal, professor
Gade’s institute
University of Bergen, and
Mario Vaz, professor
St. John’s Medical College

Molecular control of T cell memory
Greger Abrahamsen, Postdoctoral fellow
Anne Spurkland group
University of Oslo

Development of a rapid serological screening test for TB
Carol Holm Hansen, Senior research scientist
The Norwegian Institute of Public Health

Paradigm shift for new TB vaccines
Joris Vandeputte, Senior vice president, Tuberculosis Vaccine Initiative

Discussion

Health systems: Research and priorities 1

Parallel session 3
Time: 8.45 - 10
Chair: Kristin Ingstad Sandberg, University of Oslo

What do we know about lay health workers? An overview of a multidisciplinary project
Inger B. Scheel, Research Director
Global Health Unit
Norwegian Knowledge Centre for Health Services

Health systems strengthening and vaccination programmes
Katerini T. Storeng, postdoctoral fellow
University of Oslo

Strengthening human resources for health: A study of health worker availability and performance in Tanzania
Astrid Blystad, professor
Department of Public Health and Primary Health Care
University of Bergen

Discussion

Coffee break
Time: 10 - 10.30
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**The role of health professional organisations**

**Parallel session 4**  
**Time: 10.30 - 12**  
Chairs: Cecilie Risøe, Oslo University Hospital, and Ketil Størdal, Østfold Hospital Trust

Retention of doctors in rural Rwanda through capacity building of Rwanda Medical Association  
Jacob Hejmdal Gren, Medical doctor Global Doctors

Contribution of Medical Associations to support the health system in Sudan  
Zein Karrar, President Sudan Medical Association

The role of Europe-based diaspora health professional organisations in strengthening health systems research and service delivery capacity in developing countries  
Franklyn Lisk, Professor University of Warwick

**Discussion**

**Vaccination research 2: Norwegian contributions and international collaborations**

**Parallel session 5**  
**Time: 10.30 - 12**  
Chair: Carole Heilman, National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases

1. Further development of novel vaccine candidates, Norwegian – US collaboration  
2. MAL-ED: The interactions of malnutrition and enteric infections: Consequences for child health and development  
   Mark Miller, Director Division of International Epidemiology and Population Studies National Institutes of Health

Early impact results after the introduction of a new meningococcal conjugate vaccine in Africa  
Marc LaForce, director Meningitis Vaccine Project PATH/WHO, and Dominiquen Caugant, Chief scientist The Norwegian Institute of Public Health

Developing vaccines for diseases of poverty: How far are we?  
Harry van Schooten, Business development manager European Vaccine Initiative

Therapeutic modulation of immune responses in chronic HIV infection  
Dag Kvale, Professor/senior consultant Oslo University Hospital

Vacc-4x: A therapeutic HIV-1 Vaccine Based on Modified Peptides  
Birger Sørensen, Executive Vice President and Head of Vaccines Bionor Pharma ASA

**Discussion**

**Health systems: Research and priorities 2**

**Parallel session 6**  
**Time: 10.30 - 12**  
Chair: Elisabete Weiderpass Vainio Karolinska Institute, the Global Health Vaccination Programme Board

Evaluation of the impact of the integrated Management of Neonatal Childhood Illness Strategy on Neonatal and Infant Mortality  
Rajiv Bahl, Medical officer Department of Child and Adolescent Health and Development World Health Organization

Building a network of capacity and support for health information systems and open source software in the West Africa Region  
Johan Sebo and Edem Kossi, Research fellows University of Oslo

The ethics of priority setting in global health  
Kristine Husay Onarheim, Research fellow University of Bergen

To what extent do user fees affect Hepatitis B vaccine coverage rates in China?  
Knut Reidar Wangen, Associate professor University of Oslo

**Discussion**

**Lunch**  
**Time: 12 - 13**
Roundtable discussion:
What can health professional organisations do to further health research in low and middle-income countries?

Parallel session 7
Time: 13-15.30
Chairs: Sverre Lie, Norwegian Directorate of Health, and Hilde Engjom, the Norwegian Medical Association

Introductory speaker:
Francis Omaswa, Executive Director African Centre for Global Health and Social Transformation

Topics for discussion:

a) What needs to be done in order to establish more and strengthen existing professional organisations in low and middle-income countries?

b) How can we use professional networks to improve health research?

c) What should be the top-priority advocacy positions pertaining to global health research?

Researcher symposium:
Reproductive and maternal health - International social science and public health perspectives

Parallel session 8
Time: 13-14.30
Chairs: Johanne Sundby and Katerini Storeng, University of Oslo

Maternal deaths in Malawi: Piecing together the facility-community jigsaw puzzle
Viva Combs Thorsen, Research Fellow, University of Oslo

Obstetric complications affect the long term survival of women in Burkina Faso
Katerini T. Storeng, postdoctoral fellow University of Oslo

Burden of abortion and post-abortion care cost: Risks faced by low income households in Burkina Faso
Patrick G. C. Ilboudo, Research Fellow, University of Oslo

Maternal health and abortion in Burkina Faso: the supply of Post Abortion Care (PAC) in Burkina Faso's largest university hospital
Seydou Drabo, MPhil University of Oslo

Providing reproductive health services in Guatemala – When local is too local.
Birgit Kvernflaten, Research Fellow University of Oslo

The role of female lay health workers in maternal and child health work in rural Rajasthan, India
Dagrun Kyte Gjøstein, Master student, University of Oslo

Panel discussion:
Strategies and activities at Norwegian universities and research institutions for capacity building in global health research

Parallel session 9
13-14.30
Chairs: Jon Øyvind Odland, University of Tromsø, and Espen Bjertness, University of Oslo

Doris Jorde, Vice-rector University of Oslo
Stig Slordahl, Dean Norwegian University of Science and Technology

Jarl Aarbakke, Rector University of Tromsø
Sigmund Grønmo, Rector University of Bergen
Jesper Simonsen, Director Division of society and health The Research Council of Norway

John Torgils Våage, Director for Research and Development South-Eastern Norway Regional Health Authority

Break for change of location
Time: 14.30-14.35
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Researcher symposia:
A presentation of the Tromsø model for trauma care and materanal and perinatal health

Parallel session 10
Time: 14.35-15.30
Chair: Margit Steinholt, Tromsø Mine Victim Resource Centre

The village university and trauma care: teaching lifesaving skills to non-doctors
Ole Kristian Losvik, medical doctor
University of North Norway,

Delivery life support – when childbirth becomes a trauma
Helle Lejon, medical doctor, internship
Finnnes municipality, Siri Kregnes, Medical student, University of North Norway, Margit Steinholt, Centre leader Tromsø Mine Victim Resource Centre

Choosing scientific methods when the numbers are small
Professor Eystein Skjerve, Professor School of Veterinary Science, leader of the NVH Centre for Epidemiology and Biostatistics

The research school in Battambang, Cambodia. Capacity building in low-income countries
Sondre Kippenes, Manager Tromsø Mine Victim Resource Centre

Break
Time: 15.30 - 1545

Researcher symposia:
Teaching global health in Norway - What’s happening?

Parallel session 11
Time: 14.35-15.30
Chair: Hans Hadders, Sør-Trøndelag University College

Overview of the panel, key issues for discussion
Hans Hadders, associate professor, Sør-Trøndelag University College

The Master programmes in International Health in Bergen and Oslo: A comparison
Gunnar Bjune, University of Oslo

Global health perspectives with local relevance in nursing education
Hans Hadders, associate professor, Sør-Trøndelag University College

Bringing together multidisciplinary perspectives in teaching global health, plans for a PhD course
Sidsel Roalkvam, associate professor, University of Oslo

Integrating the concept of global health into professional training and producing health professionals for the 21st century - a student perspective on trends in health professional education and the relevance for Norwegian institutions.
Unni Gopinathan, Liaison Officer to the WHO for the International Federation of Medical Students Association
Panel discussion: Future funding for research and capacity building – potential synergies
Time: 15.45 – 16.40
Chair: Hilde Engjom, the Norwegian Medical Association, and Rune Nilsen, University of Bergen

Speakers/participants

Francis Omaswa
Medical Education Partnership Initiative

Val Snewin
Wellcome Trust

Paul Fife
Norhed programme

Peter Smith
Programme for Global Health and Vaccination Research

Carole Heilman
National Institutes of Health

Line Matthiessen
European Commission

Gunnar Bjune
The Norwegian Medical Association

Closing remarks
Time: 16.50-17

Per Hjortdahl, Senior adviser
The Norwegian Medical Association

Kårstein Måseide, programme coordinator
The Research Council of Norway

General assembly
The Norwegian Forum for Global Health Research
Time 17.15-19

Bus departure from Soria Moria to Oslo city centre
Time: 17.10

Bus departure after General Assembly
Time: approximately at 19