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Globalization, Crisis and Health Systems: Confronting Regional Perspectives

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Monday, 19 April 2010

Plenary	Session PL01/room 2
9:00 10:30	Globalization and Health Systems: Regional Perspectives
	<i>Chair: Gerald Bloom, Research Fellow, Institute of Development Studies, United Kingdom</i>
	<i>Discussant: Yibeltal Assefa, Medical Services Directorate, Federal Ministry of Health, Ethiopia</i>
	The aim of this session is to introduce some of the complex challenges that countries face in meeting health-related needs in contexts of rapid economic and social change. The recent financial crisis and the increased involvement of several African, Asian and Latin American countries in global negotiations have highlighted the global nature of many of these challenges. It also underlines the importance of strengthening communications and learning between researchers and policy actors in different regions. Three thinkers from India, China and Brazil will introduce key issues that are taking on growing importance, followed by discussion and reflexions by a discussant from Africa to reflect on efforts to address major public health problems in that continent.
	New Challenges for Government, Civil Society and the Private Sector in India's Highly Marketized Health System
	<i>Barun Kanjilal, Professor of Health Economics, Indian Institute of Health Management Research, India</i>
	The Management of Health System Development in the Context of Rapid Social and Economic Change in China
	<i>Zhang Xiulan, Director, School of Social Development and Public Policy, Beijing Normal University, China</i>
Making the Right to Health a Reality in the Context of Social Inequalities and Rapid Economic Change in Brazil	
<i>Vera Schatten Pereira Coelho, Coordinator, Publics and Public Policy Team, Brazilian Centre of Analysis and Planning (CEBRAP), Brazil</i>	
Opening Ceremony	Session PL02/room 2
17:45 19:15	Official Opening Ceremony of the Geneva Health Forum 2010
	<i>Chairs: Prof. Louis Loutan, President of the Organizing Committee, Geneva Health Forum & Head, Division of International and Humanitarian Medicine, Geneva University Hospitals, Switzerland</i>
	<i>Prof. Brigitte Pittet-Cuenod, Vice-Dean, Faculty of Medicine, University of Geneva, Switzerland</i>
	Welcome addresses
	<i>Mr Bernard Gruson, Chief Executive Officer, Geneva University Hospitals</i>
	<i>Prof. Jean-Louis Carpentier, Dean of the Faculty of Medicine, University of Geneva, Switzerland</i>
	<i>Mr Pierre-François Unger, State Councillor in charge of the Department of Regional Affairs, Economy and Health (DARES), Republic and State of Geneva</i>
	<i>Mr Martin Dahinden, Director-General of the Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation</i>
	Keynote addresses
	Rebuilding Lives in Afghanistan
	<i>Dr Alberto Cairo, Head of the Physical Rehabilitation Programme, International</i>

	<i>Committee of the Red Cross, Afghanistan</i>
	Women Against TB: My Personal Battle
	<i>Ms Gerry Elsdon, Founder and CEO of Cinnamon Communications and global TB advocate, South Africa</i>

Tuesday, 20 April 2010

Plenary	Session PL03/room 2
9:00 10:30	Crisis as Catalyst for Health Reform: Quick Fixes or Sustainable Solutions?
	<i>Chair: Sania Nishtar, Founder and President of Heartfile and Founder of Health Policy Forum, Pakistan</i>
	Panel:
	Perspectives on Economic Crises in Developing Countries
	<i>Viviana Munoz, Programme Officer, South Centre, Switzerland</i>
	Economic Vulnerability and Health Reform in Latin America
	<i>Ramiro Guerrero, Research Director, Harvard Global Equity Initiative, USA</i>
	Perspectives on Social Protection
	<i>Xenia Scheil-Adlung, Health Policy Coordinator, Social Security Department, International Labour Organization, Switzerland</i>
	Perspectives on How Crisis Could Represent the New Environmental Deal
	<i>Maria Neira, Director, Department of Public Health and Environment, World Health Organization, Switzerland</i>
	Perspectives from Kosovo
	<i>Alush Gashi, Minister of Health, Republic of Kosovo</i>
Plenary	Session PL04/room 2
17:45 19:15	Global Health Governance: Lost in Translation?
	<i>Chair: Ilona Kickbusch, Director, Global Health Programme at the Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies & Chair, Global Health Europe, Switzerland</i>
	Panel:
	Supporting National Health Strategies: The Role of WHO and IHP+
	<i>Wim Van Lerberghe, Director, Department for Health System Governance and Service and Delivery (HDS), World Health Organization, Switzerland</i>
	Participatory Democracy: National Health Assembly of Thailand
	<i>Churnrurtai Kanchanachitra, Vice President for Collaboration and Networking, Mahidol University, and Vice Chairperson of the Administrative Subcommittee, Thai National Health Assembly, Thailand</i>
	Strengthening Health Governance through Social Mobilization
	<i>Abhay Shukla, Coordinator of the People's Health Movement, India</i>
	Global Redesign Initiative: New Architecture for Global Health Governance
	<i>Olivier Raynaud, Senior Director of Health Initiatives and Healthcare, World Economic Forum, Switzerland</i>
	EC Support of Decentralization Strategies: Strengthening Local Governance
	<i>Walter Seidel, Principal Administrator, Quality Support, Health Sector, European Commission - EuropeAid, Belgium</i>

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	Session PL05/room 2
9:00	Global Access to Health: The High's and Low's of Technology
10:30	Chairs: <i>Najeeb Al-Shorbaji, Director, Knowledge Management and Sharing, World Health Organization, Switzerland</i> <i>Jean-Michel Gaspoz, Professor and Head, Department of Community Medicine and Primary Care, Geneva University Hospitals, Switzerland</i>
	De-isolating Care Professionals in Sub-Saharan Africa Using the Internet
	<i>Antoine Geissbühler, MD Director, Medical Informatics Division, Geneva University Hospitals, Switzerland</i>
	mHealth: Bridging the Health Divide
	<i>Krishnan Ganapathy, President, Apollo Telemedicine Networking Foundation; President Elect, Telemedicine Society of India</i>
	Capacity Building in eHealth and Health Informatics in Developing Countries)
	<i>Don Detmer, President and Chief Executive Officer of the American Medical Informatics Association, USA</i>
Closing Session	Session PL06/room 2
16:00	Resilience, Ownership, and Political Space: Getting Access to Health in the Mainstream
17:30	Chair: <i>Louis Loutan, President of the Organizing Committee, Geneva Health Forum & Head, Division of International and Humanitarian Medicine, Geneva University Hospitals, Switzerland</i>
	The Changing Nature of Global Health Institutions: New Opportunities for Academia
	<i>Barry Bloom, Professor and Joan L. and Julius H. Jacobson Professor of Public Health, Department of Immunology and Infectious Diseases, Harvard School of Public Health, USA</i>
	Geneva Health Forum Synthesis
	<i>Bruno Gryseels, Director, Institute of Tropical Medicine Antwerp, Belgium</i>
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	<i>by Guy Maurer-Cecchini, President of the Anne Maurer-Cecchini Foundation</i>