



Putting Patients First: The Need for New Tools for Filarial Diseases

Discussion & Reception

Monday October 26, 2015
6:00pm Reception, 6:30 Program

Please note the change of venue:

**Robert Austrian Auditorium and Lobby
The Perelman School of Medicine
University of Pennsylvania
Clinical Research Building, 1st Floor
415 Curie Blvd Philadelphia, PA 19104**

Please join us on the evening of October 26th for a panel discussion and reception on the need for research and development (R&D) to develop new diagnostics, treatments, and vaccines for the millions of patients affected by onchocerciasis (river blindness) and lymphatic filariasis (elephantiasis). This Side Event coincides with the American Society of Tropical Medicine and Hygiene (ASTMH) 64th Annual Meeting.

SPEAKERS INCLUDE:

- **Samuel Wanji**, University of Buea
- **Alexander Debrah**, Kumasi Centre
- **Claudia Pena Rossi**, Drugs for Neglected Diseases initiative (DNDi)
- **Tala de los Santos**, PATH
- **Sara Lustigman**, New York Blood Center
- **V. Kumaraswami**, Indian Council of Medical Research
- **Luc E. Coffeng**, Erasmus MC
- **Didier Bakajika**, Sightsavers
- **Achim Hoerauf**, University of Bonn
- **Robert Don**, Drugs for Neglected Diseases initiative (DNDi)



To RSVP, please contact: dndina@dndi.org

This event is co-organized by DNDi, the Perelman School of Medicine Center for Global Health at the University of Pennsylvania, PATH, Erasmus MC at University Medical Center Rotterdam, the Research Foundation for Tropical Diseases and Environment at the University of Buea, the New York Blood Center, Sightsavers, the Global Health Technologies Coalition, the Sabin Vaccine Institute, the Kumasi Centre for Collaborative Research in Tropical Medicine, Universitätsklinikum Bonn, and the American Society of Tropical Medicine and Hygiene (ASTMH).