

TB SYMPOSIUM – Armenia February 2015  
**New treatments and Approaches to Tuberculosis**

Ani Plaza Hotel Conference Hall

**DAY 1: Tuesday 17 February**

Registration 08:30 – 09:00

**Inaugural Session**

**Introductory Welcome Speech**

**Overview of the objectives of the symposium**

09:00-09:30

- Dr Armen Muradyan, *Minister of Health, Republic of Armenia*
- Dr Mario Raviglione, *Head of the Project, World Health Organization (WHO)-Stop TB-video*
- Annabelle Djeribi, *MSF Head of Mission, Armenia*

**Introduction of the Symposium Agenda**

09:30-09:45

- Dr Armen Hayrapetyan, *Director of National Tuberculosis Center (NTC), Armenia*

**Introduction of delegations**

09:45-09:55

- Annabelle Djeribi, *MSF Head of Mission, Armenia*
- Dr Armen Hayrapetyan, *NTC Director, Armenia*

**Feedbacks/impacts about the previous TB Symposium**

09:55-10:10

- Philipp du Cros, *Head of Manson Unit*

**Armenian Country Policy on TB control and TB Situation**

10:10-10:25

- Dr Armen Hayrapetyan, *NTC Director, Armenia*

**MSF in Armenia – 25 years Movie**

10:25-10:35

**BREAK: 10:35 – 11:00**

**Session 2: New Treatments and Approaches**

**New drugs and treatments**

11:00-11:20

- Dr Christian Lienhardt, *Senior Research Advisor at the Global TB Programme, WHO*

**Bedaquilline practical use and results in the treatment regimen of XDR patients**

11:20-12:20

- Dr. Lusine Yeghiazaryan, *Head of MDR Unit, Republican Anti-Tuberculosis Dispensary (RTBD), Armenia*
- Dr. Animesh Sinha, *TB doctor, MSF Chechnya project*
- Dr Irina Vasilyeva, *Professor, Director of the Central TB Research Institute of Tuberculosis, Russian Academy of Medical Sciences (RAMS CTRI)*
- Dr Mathilde Jachym, *Doctor at Central Hospital of Bligny, France*

**Patient experience of new treatment**

12:20-12:30

- Patient from Armenia – video

**Questions to speakers**

12:30-13:00

**LUNCH: 13:00-14:00**

**How to choose the best new drug for your patient.****Delamanid use in the treatment regimen of TB patients.**

14:00-14:20

- Dr Francis Varaine, MSF OCP TB Referent -video conference

**End TB - output 1 - introduction of new treatments**

14:20-14:35

- Dr Michael Rich, End -TB, Partners in Health (PIH)- video conference

**Discussion/ questions and answers**

14:35-15:20

- **Moderator:** *Oleksandr Telnov, MSF OCG TB Referent*
- **Panelists:** *WHO: Dr Christian Lienhardt; NTC Armenia, Dr Armen Hayrapetyan; RTBD Armenia: Dr. Lusine Yeghiazaryan; RAMS CTRI: Dr. Irina Vasilyeva; MSF Chechnya: Dr Animesh Sinha; MSF/PIH: or Francis Varaine and or Michael Rich (online); Central Hospital of Bligny, France: Dr Mathilde Jachym, TB expert in Ministry of Labour and social affairs, Georgia: Dr Nana Kiria.*

**BREAK: 15:20-15:45**

**Simplified short regimen, interim results from a study in Uzbekistan**

15:45-16:00

- Dr Atajan Khamraev, *Deputy Chair, Council of Karakalpakstan*

**Patient experience of simplified short regimen**

16:00-16:05

- Patient from Uzbekistan – video

**TB trials for new treatment combinations. END TB and PRACTECAL**

16:05-16:25

- Philipp du Cros, *Head of Manson Unit*

**TB research and development- the 3 Ps**

16:25-16:35

- Dr Grania Brigden, *TB Advisor for MSF's Access Campaign (CAME)*

**Discussion/ questions and answers**

16:35-17:15

- **Moderator:** *Dr Sebastian Dietrich, MSF OCA Operations manager and health advisor*
- **Panelists:** *Council of Karakalpakstan: Dr Atajan Khamraev; PIH: Dr Michael Rich (online); Manson Unit: Dr Philipp du Cros; CAME: Dr Grania Brigden; Executive Director of National Center for Tuberculosis and Lung Diseases Georgia: Dr. Zaza Avaliani; WHO: Ernesto Jaramillio*

**WRAP first day, instructions for the evening, closure of day 18:00**

**Welcome Dinner: 19:00, Restaurant: Yerevan Tavern, address: 91 Teryan Street**

**DAY 2: Wednesday, February 18****Session 1: Pharmacovigilance of New Drugs****Importation of new drugs including compassionate use.****Countries' experience of accessing the new drugs (Russia, Georgia, Armenia)**

09:00-09:20

- Dr Sandrine Cloez, *MSF international TB pharmacist*

**Pharmacovigilance of new drugs**

09:20-09:30

- Dr Ernesto Jaramillio, *The drug-resistance policy task manager at the Global TB Programme of the World Health Organization*

**Practical experience of pharmacovigilance of Bedaquiline use in Armenia**

09:30-09:45

- Dr Cathy Hewison, *TB Referent, MSF OCP*

**Discussion/ questions and answers**

09:45-10:30

- **Moderator:** *Dr Marc Biot, Operations coordinator, MSF OCB*
- **Panelists:** *MSF International TB Pharmacist: Sandrine Cloez; Global Fund, Regional Manager: Nicolas Cantau; OCP TB Referent: Dr Cathy Hewison; Deputy Director Scientific Centre of Drug and Medical Technology Expertise of MoH: Dr Lilit Ghazaryan; TB expert in Ministry of Labour and social affairs, Georgia: Dr Nana Kiria; WHO: Dr Ernesto Jaramillio*

**BREAK: 10:30-11:00****Session 2: Migration****Migration and its impact on health**

11:00-11:15

- Sara Barragan Montes, *WHO/Europe Consultant*

**Patient's experience on migration**

11:15-11:20

- Patient from Kyrgyzstan –video

**Minimum Package of Cross Border TB Control and Care: where are we today?**

11:20-11:40

- Dr Pierpaolo de Colombani, *Medical Officer in the Tuberculosis Unit of the WHO Regional Office for Europe, Copenhagen*

**Discussion/ questions and answers**

11:40-12:30

- **Moderator:** *Dr Armen Hayrapetyan, NTC Director, Armenia*
- **Panelists:** *WHO: Sara Barragan Montes; WHO: Dr Pierpaolo de Colombani; American University of Armenia: Varduhi Petrosyan; Head of the MDR department in NTBI: Dr Elena Zhdanova; MoH representative from Tajikistan*

**LUNCH: 12:30-13:30****Session 3: Nutrition Support and Treatment Adherence****Nutrition support**

13:30-13:45

- Dr Ernesto Jaramillio, *The drug-resistance policy task manager at the Global TB Programme of the World Health Organization*

**Movie: A breath of hope for drug-resistant TB - video**

13:45-13:55

**Adherence and treatment obstacles**

13:55-14:10

- Dr Ernesto Jaramillio, WHO

**TB&ME blog**

14:10-14:20

- Beverley Collin Stringer, *Programmes Advisor - Health Policy and Practice, MSK UK*

**How can civil society help TB programs**

14:20-14:35

- Timur Abdullaev, *Community Representative, Stop TB Partnership Coordinating Board, Uzbekistan*

**Discussion/ questions and answers**

14:35-15:05

- **Moderator:** *Dr Philipp du Cros, Head of Manson Unit*
- **Panelists:** *WHO: Dr Ernesto Jaramillio; Coordinator for Tbilisi out-patient services NTP Georgia: Dr. Malkhaz Davitashvili; MSF UK: Beverley Collin Stringer; Community Representative, Uzbekistan: Timur Abdullaev; Head of Health Unit, Armenian Red Cross Society: Lusine Kocharyan*

**BREAK:** 15:05-15:30**Session 4: Role of Surgery in DR TB Treatment****Role of surgery in DR TB Treatment**

15:30-15:45

- Dr. Ravindra Dewan, *Head of Thoracic Surgery Department at National Institute of TB & Respiratory Diseases, India*

**Surgical treatment of tuberculosis: results from the field**

15:45-15:55

- Dr Sergo Vashakidze, *Head of surgery unit in TB hospital, Tbilissi*

**Patient experience on surgery**

15:55-16:00

- Patient from Georgia –video

**Discussion/ questions and answers**

16:00-16:35

- **Moderator:** *Dmytro Donchuk, TB referent, MSF OCB*
- **Panelists:** *National Institute of TB & Respiratory Diseases, India: Dr. Ravindra Dewan; Head of surgery unit in TB hospital, Tbilissi: Dr Sergo Vashakidze; Head of Thoracic Surgery Unit, Saint Grigor Lusavorich Medical Center: Dr Hovhannes Sarkavagyan*

**CLOSURE****Wrap up**

16:35-16:45

- Dr Cathy Hewison, *TB Referent, MSF OCP*

**Closure speeches**

16:45-17:00

- Dr Armen Muradyan, *Minister of Health, Republic of Armenia*
- Annabelle Djeribi, *Head of Mission, MSF Armenia*

**Departure Cocktail:** 17:00-19:00, Ani Plaza Hotel