



Treatment Acceleration Program

*Learning from the experiences gained
and the challenges ahead*

ACTAfrica

AIDS Campaign Team for Africa

Doubletree Hotel
1515 Rhode Island Avenue, NW
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1. Welcoming remarks

Global HIV/AIDS Program, World Bank

8.30 – 8.45AM

Debrework Zewdie, Director

2. The latest developments in antiretroviral therapy.

New guidelines, new drugs and more news.

8.45 – 10.15AM

Moderators: Albertus Voetberg and Robert Oelrichs

Introduction

Presentation 1:

World Health Organization (WHO)

Latest guidelines for HIV testing (rapid tests, confirmatory tests) and ART initiation (CD3 and TLC counts, upcoming technology)

Presentation 2:

Health Alliance International (HAI), TAP Implementing Partner

Experience under the TAP of routine, or "opt-out" testing

Presentation 3:

Charles Knitsch: Pfizer Inc., Pharmaceutical Industry

New drugs in "old" classes, new drugs in "new" classes

Presentation 4:

Leonardo Palombi: Comunita di Sant'Egidio, TAP Implementing Partner

Experience under the TAP: ART regimen for PMTCT and PMTCT+

Discussion

Coffee Break

3. The latest developments in antiretroviral therapy.

Resistance and adherence

10.30 - 12.00PM

Moderator: WHO

Introduction

Presentation 1: **World Health Organization (WHO)**
Latest data on treatment outcomes, adherence and drug resistance development from Africa

Presentation 2: **Mme Cecil Beloum: AIDS Empowerment and Treatment International (AIDSETI), TAP Implementing Partner**
Determinants and experience with adherence in Burkina Faso under the TAP

Presentation 3: **Dr. Anthony Ambroso: Institute of Human Virology, Baltimore**
Resistance monitoring and its importance, theory and practice

Discussion

Lunch Break

4. Risks and benefits of ART

Minimizing risks and maximizing benefits

1.00 - 2.30PM

Moderator: UNECA

Introduction

Presentation 1: **Albertus Voetberg: ACTAfrica, World Bank**
Risks: resistance development, disinhibition, sustainable financing, and crowding out

Presentation 2: **Damien de Walque/Mead Over: Development Research Group, World Bank/Center for Global Development**
What are we learning about treatment benefits?

Discussion

Tea Break

5. ART and health systems

What have we learned.

3.00 - 5.00PM

Moderator: Ok Pannenburg

Introduction

Presentation 1: **Dr. Pascal Niamba:** Information and Counseling Center on HIV/AIDS and Tuberculosis (CICDoc), TAP Implementing Partner
ART scale up and health systems related bottlenecks in Burkina Faso

Presentation 2: **Dr. Amenyah:** Family Health International (FHI), TAP Implementing Partner
Value added and constraints of PPPs in Ghana

Presentation 3: **Miriam Schneidman:** Human Development, World Bank
Health sector constraints and coping mechanisms for ART scale-up in Rwanda under the MAP

Discussion

6. Panel Discussion: Operational Quality and Knowledge Unit, World Bank

Progress made and challenges ahead, with a focus on sustainability

5:00 – 6.00PM

Chair: Gerard Byam, Director

Panelists: **Peter Heller, IMF**
Shanta Devarajan, Chief Economist, SARVP
Maureen Lewis, Adviser, HDNVP
Mead Over, Senior Advisor, CGDev

7. Closing remarks

ACTAfrica, World Bank

6:00 – 6:15PM

Elizabeth Lule, Manager