

Medicines Justice conference programme - Tuesday, October 28, 2025

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8:15 - 9:00	Registration and coffee					
9:00 - 9:30	Plenary session Welcome: Aniek de Ruijter (Professor, UvA Law for Health & Life) & Prof. Peter-Paul Verbeek (UvA Rector) Plenary session Opening Speech: Jan Anthonie Bruijn (Dutch Minister of Health, Welfare and Sport) Plenary session Introduction to the conference: Katrina Perehudoff (Associate Professor, UvA Law for Health & Life)					
9:30 - 9:45	Group Photo and time to move to workshops					
9:45 - 11:00	Parallel workshops	Workshop 1: Medicines Justice Requires Transparent Medicines Evidence Communication: Why, for Whom, and How? C3.03 Speakers: Huseyin Naci (LSE); Courtney Davis (King's College London); Robin Forrest (LSE); Avi Cherla (Harvard Medical School); Juan Garcia Burgos (European Medicines Agency) Chair: Anita Wagner (Harvard Medical School). Click for description	Workshop 4: Towards a Just Pharmaceutical Innovation System C3.01 Speakers: Susi Geiger (University College Dublin); Matthew Herder (Dalhousie University); Adrián Alonso Ruiz (CSIC / Salud por Derecho NGO); Alan Rossi Silva (People's Health Movement); Tineke Kleinhout-Vliek (University College Dublin) Chair: Tineke Kleinhout-Vliek. Click for description	Workshop 9: Strategic legal & benchmarking action for access to medicines De Brug Speakers: Fatima Hassan (Health Justice Initiative); Rosalind Turkie (Pharmaceutical Accountability Foundation, PAF); Tais Ruiz Palacios (Utrecht University alumni); Yara de Koning (PAF) Chair: Pedro A. Villarreal (SWP). Click for description		
11:00 - 11:30	Coffee break					
11:30 - 12:30	Plenary session Keynotes De Brug Chair: Katrina Perehudoff <i>Prevention, price and precision: Building a medicines policy that fits</i> Daniëlle Jansen (former Member of Dutch Parliament & former Minister of Health) <i>The role of activism in shaping law and policies that support access to medicines</i> Ellen 't Hoen (Director of Medicines Law & Policy) <i>Medicines Justice – a Magere Brug assailed on all sides</i> Andy Gray (Co-Chair of Lancet Commission on Essential Medicines)					
12:30 - 13:15	Lunch					
13:15 - 14:15	Parallel workshops	Workshop 6: Experiments In and Of the Local: Public Interest Pharma Innovation Models De Brug Speakers: Lauren Paremoer (University of Cape Town); Koichi Kamada de Figueiredo Carvalho (University of Bordeaux); Nils Graber (Humboldt University of Berlin) Chair: Anne Pollock (King's College London). Click for description	Workshop 8: Crisis-driven global health law for access to medicines C3.03 Speakers: Pedro A. Villarreal (SWP); Lisa Forman (University of Toronto); Pramiti Parwani (University of Amsterdam / PAF); Judit Rius Sanjuan (Senior Consultant). Chair: Priti Patnaik (Geneva Health Files). Click for description	Workshop 15: Sanctions, aid & access: Navigating global power and medicines justice in crisis settings C2.01 Speakers: Majd Alshoufi (University of Amsterdam); Saleh Aljadeeah (Institute of Tropical Medicine Antwerp/ ITM); Josefine Petrick (Bourse & Bazaar Foundation); Kate Enright (University of Western Ontario). Chair: Raffaella Ravinetto (ITM). Click for description		

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14:45 - 15:45	Parallel workshops	<p>Workshop 2: Regulatory decision making and the roles of evidence, values and patient participation C3.03</p> <p>Speakers: Anita Wagner (Harvard Medical School); Joyce Hoek (Utrecht University); Eeva Ollila (Cancer Society Finland); Jaume Vidal (Health Action International). Chair: Meri Koivusalo (Tampere University). Click for description</p>		<p>Workshop 10: Past and future of IP protection and TRIPS Flexibilities for access to medicines De Brug</p> <p>Speakers: Ayolola Eni-Olotu (Universities Allied for Essential Medicines); Luis Gil Abinader (Georgetown University Law Center); Monty Dunnn (Medicines Law & Policy); Pascale Boulet (Drugs for Neglected Diseases initiative) Chair: Ellen 't Hoen (Medicines Law & Policy). Click for description</p>		<p>Workshop 13: WHO's essential medicines policies and their global reach C2.01</p> <p>Speakers: Navindra Persaud (University of Toronto); Arianna Schouten (Knowledge Ecology International); Amitabha Sarkar (Tampere University); Irina Kazaryan (Yerevan State Medical University); Lorenzo Moja (WHO). Chair: Thiru Balasubramaniam (Knowledge Ecology International). Click for description</p>
15:45 - 16:00	Time to move to plenary					
16:00 - 17:15	<p>Converging plenary session De Brug Chair: Tineke Kleinhout-Vliek</p> <p>Plenary session Workshop rapporteurs: Melissa Barber (Médecins Sans Frontières), Sheila Varadan (Leiden University), Aurélie Mahalatchimy (Aix Marseille University)</p> <p>Plenary session Stakeholder Panel: Aljosja Karpenko (KWF Dutch Cancer Society), Ad Antonisse (AstraZeneca), Judit Ruis Sanjuan (senior consultant)</p> <p>Plenary session Discussion with audience</p>					
17:15 - 18:30	Reception (separate registration required), supported in part by the UvA Master of Health Law programme					



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