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INNOVATION AND ACCESS TO MEDICAL TECHNOLOGIES

CHALLENGES AND OPPORTUNITIES FOR MIDDLE-INCOME COUNTRIES

A JOINT TECHNICAL SYMPOSIUM BY WHO, WIPO AND WTO

GENEVA, 5 November 2014, WTO CR Room

PROGRAMME

08h30 - 09h00	Registration of Participants		
09.00 - 10.15	 Opening Remarks Xiaozhun YI, Deputy Director-General World Trade Organization (WTO) Marie-Paule Kieny, Assistant Director-General, Health Systems and Innovation, World Health Organization (WHO) Johannes Christian Wichard, Deputy Director General, Global Issues Sector, World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) 		
10.15 - 10.30	Break		
10.30 - 12.00	 Session 1: Setting the scene The concept of middle-income countries: What does it mean? How do we measure capacity for innovation? What are the factors of success? Discussion Moderator: Carlos Primo Braga, Professor, IMD and Director, The Evian Group@IMD Speakers: - Robert B Koopman, WTO Chief Economist David Evans, David B. Evans, Director, Department of Health Systems Governance& Financing (HGF), WHO Carsten Fink, WIPO Chief Economist 		
12.00 - 12.30	Ebola: Innovation and Access to New Treatments Speaker: Marie-Paule Kieny, WHO		
12.30 - 13.30	Lunch break		

13.30 - 15.00	Session 2	Trends in medical technologies innovation in MICs	
	Moderator:	Johannes Christian Wichard, WIPO	
	Speakers:	Joseph Damond, Senior Vice-President International, BIO Vijay Raghavan, Secretary, Dept. of Biotechnology, Government of India Peter Chun, Chairman, EASE-Medtrend Biotech (Shanghai) Ltd.	
15.00 - 15.15	Break		
15.15 - 16.45	Session 3: The challenge of ensuring access to medical technologies in middle-income countries		
	Moderator:	Cornelis de Joncheere, Director Essential Medicines and Health Products, WHO	
	Speakers:	 Christopher Game, Chief Procurement Officer, The Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria Chua Hong Teck, Director of Healthcare National Key Economic Area in the Prime Minister's Delivery Unit, Malaysia Manica Balasegaram, Executive Director Access Campaign 	
		Médecins Sans Frontières Wim Leereveld, Founder & CEO Access to Medicine Foundation	
16.45 - 17.30	Closing Session: Wrap up and Future plans		
	Speakers:	Johannes Christian Wichard, WIPO Zafar Mirza, Coordinator Public Health, Innovation and Intellectual Property, WHO Antony Taubman, Director, Intellectual Property Division, WTO	