



EDCTP Stakeholder Meeting on Ethics

Thursday, 28 November 2013
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08:30-09:15	Registration
09:00-09:15	Coffee/Tea
09:15-09:30	Opening addresses Professor Bruno Gryseels , Director, Institute for Tropical Medicine Professor Charles Mgone , EDCTP Executive Director
09:30-09:45	Introduction by Chairpersons Dr Elizabeth Bukusi , Kenya Medical Research Institute (KEMRI) and Dr Abha Saxena , World Health Organization <i>Objectives of meeting and expected outcomes</i>
09:45-10:15	Dr Michael Makanga , EDCTP <i>Background on EDCTP1 ethics programme and progress towards EDCTP2</i>
10:15-10:45	Keynote address Dr Odile Ouwe Missi Oukem , CERMES <i>Health research ethics landscape in Africa over the last decade and future outlook</i>
10:45-11:15	Coffee/Tea
11:15-12:00	Prof Anton van Niekerk , Stellenbosch University <i>Feedback on external evaluation of EDCTP1 ethics programme</i>
12:00-13:00	Discussion and recommendations
13:00-14:00	Lunch
14:00-14:30	Prof Dominique Sprumont , Institute of Health Law, TRREE, University of Neuchâtel <i>Online ethics training programmes and standardisation of ethics training</i> Dr Christiane Druml , Medical University of Vienna <i>Global ethics perspective</i>
14:30-15:00	Discussion and recommendations
15:00-15:15	Tea/Coffee
15:15-17:15	Discussion and final recommendations on ethics priorities in EDCTP2
17:15-17:30	Closing remarks

Speaker Biographies

Chairpersons



Dr Elizabeth A. Bukusi is a Chief Research Officer and Deputy Director Research and Training at Kenya Medical Research Institute (KEMRI). Her primary areas of interest focus on sexually transmitted infections, reproductive health and HIV prevention, care and treatment. In 1995, she established the Research Care and Training Program (RCTP) at KEMRI in collaboration with Dr Craig Cohen (UCSF). In addition to conducting research, the goal of the programme is to enhance local capacity to conduct socio-behavioral and biomedical research and provide HIV care through training and infrastructure development. In addition to her substantial experience in conducting research in Kenya as well as providing HIV care, mentoring and training different cadres of health care and research personnel, she has an interest in ethics and the development of systems and structures for regulation of research in the institute and

the country. She chairs the Scientific Steering Committee (SSC) at KEMRI and oversees scientific regulation at KEMRI. She has served on the MIRA (Diaphragm) study and the CAPRISA 004 DSMB, and serves on the LEAP DSMB (DNDi) the IPM Ring study DSMB, as the Co-chair of the HPTN's Women at risk committee, and its member of the NACC HIV prevention Task Force.

Keynote address speaker



Dr Odile Ouwe Missi Oukem-Boyer is a senior researcher (immunologist as background), with research interest in tropical infectious diseases (schistosomiasis, trypanosomiasis, HIV/AIDS, hepatitis, malaria). She is vice-Chair of the Cameroon Bioethics Initiative (CAMBIN) and a member of its Ethics Review Consultancy Committee. In Republic of Congo, she is a member of the Institutional Review Board of the Fondation Congolaise pour la Recherche Médicale (FCRM, www.fcrm-congo.com). She is involved in capacity building and in health research ethics in Africa where she has been working for 15 years (Niger, Gabon and Cameroon). In 2011, she was appointed as ambassador for the MARC (Mapping African Research Ethics Review and Drug Regulation Capacity) project run by COHRED. Since April 2012, she is the General Director of the CERMES, in Niamey, which works under the umbrella of the

Ministry of Health in Niger. This research centre is also a member of the Institut Pasteur International Network and mostly deals with meningitis and malaria.

Session speakers



Professor Anton Van Niekerk is Professor of Philosophy since 1989, Chair of the Philosophy Department and Director of the Centre for Applied Ethics at the University of Stellenbosch. His research is mainly concentrated in the areas of bioethics, the philosophy of religion and the philosophy of the human sciences. He has written, edited and co-authored 17 books and more than 130 peer reviewed articles and book chapters. He has done extensive research in the areas of the moral problematic related to HIV/AIDS in Africa, ethical issues related to new genetic technologies, moral theories, the history and social functions of bioethics in South Africa, research ethics, models of rationality, hermeneutics, contemporary models of religious faith and the pragmatist notion of religion. He has been distinguished guest professor at the universities of East Carolina (USA), Utrecht and Radboud (Netherlands), and Linköping (Sweden), Louvain (Belgium), Cape Town and the Witwatersrand.



Prof. Dominique Sprumont is a Professor of Health Law at the Law Faculty of the University of Neuchâtel (Switzerland). Founder and Deputy Director of the Institute of Health Law of the University of Neuchâtel (www.unine.ch/ids). Expert in the field of patient's rights and public health law with special interest in the regulation of research with human subjects, patient's rights, the regulation of healthcare professionals, pharmaceutical and food stuff regulation, he has written more than 90 scientific publications, articles and book chapters on those issues. He is invited as expert by several organizations working in the field of health law and ethics at the national and international level. He is one of the founders of the European Network of Research Ethics Committees supported the European Commission (www.eurecnet.org). Since 2006, he is also the coordinator of the EU funded project Training and Resources in

Research Ethics Evaluation (TRREE) which aims at providing e-resources on research ethics and regulation as well as an online training program in the field (<http://elearning.trree.org>).



Dr Christiane Druml was born in Vienna and studied law at the University of Vienna. She is currently Vice-Rector for Clinical Affairs at the Vienna Medical University. Before that she has been managing director of the Ethics Committee at the Vienna Medical University. Since 2007 she is Chair of the Austrian Bioethics Commission and a Member of the International Bioethics Committee IBC of UNESCO. Her main research topics are ethics in research, clinical research and vulnerable persons as well as bioethics tuberculosis.