

## **MEDIA ADVISORY**

### **Meet the National Ambassadors against Tuberculosis**

**BACKGROUND:** The Stop TB Partnership and the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies (IFRC) are hosting a meeting in Geneva from 5 to 7 December of nine celebrities supporting the fight against tuberculosis (TB). These celebrities - who are lending their images and voices to the fight against TB in Georgia, Ghana, Jordan, Nepal, Pakistan, Peru, South Africa and Sudan - will help frame an initiative aimed at enhancing the impact of national TB ambassadors. The Lilly MDR-TB Partnership and Kempinski Hotels are providing support for the event.

**WHAT:** Reception and photo opportunity

**WHEN:** Monday, 5 December 2011, 19:00-21:00

**WHERE:** UNAIDS/WHO building lobby, 20, Avenue Appia, 1211 Geneva,

**WHO:**

AWAD IBRAHIM AWAD, Sudan (North) // TV presenter

ZAAL CHIKOBAVA, Georgia // Theatre Director

DEEPAK RAJ GIRI, Nepal // TV movie actor

DEEPASRI NIRLA, Nepal // TV movie actress

GERRY ELSDON, South Africa // TV presenter

SONIA GOLDEMBERG, Perú // Journalist

RANIA ISMAIL, Jordan // Actress

OBOUR, Ghana // Pop singer

BEHROZ SABZWARI, Pakistan // TV movie actor

DR LUCICA DITIU, Executive Secretary, STOP TB PARTNERSHIP

DR STEFAN SEEBACHER, Head of Health Department, IFRC

***The celebrities' bios are in the attached [media background document](#)***

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