



Winner of Images to Stop TB Award announced in Lille, France

26 October 2011 – Lille, France – Carlos Cazalis is the winner of the Stop TB Partnership's 2011 *Images to Stop Tuberculosis Award*.

Supported by the Lilly MDR-TB Partnership, this project seeks to raise awareness about tuberculosis (TB) through the powerful medium of photography. Every year the award provides one talented photographer with the support needed to generate outstanding photographs and photo stories depicting the impact of TB on individuals and communities and successful responses to the disease. Photojournalist Gary Knight serves as Chair of the award's Advisory Board.

Mr Cazalis' winning portfolio, which focuses on Haiti, was selected by an international jury from among 50 entries. He will receive a grant of \$5000 to produce a photo essay on TB and \$5000 in prize money.

Mr Cazali was born in Mexico City in 1969. Beginning his career as a newspaper and newswire photographer he covered international news events in the Ukraine, Haiti, Bolivia, Brazil and Japan, among other countries. Since 2005 he has focused on mega cities, documenting sustainability issues that have arisen as rural populations move to urban areas. His work has been widely published, notably by the *Guardian*, *Newsweek*, *Monocle*, *Le Monde*, *Spiegel*, *The New York Times* and *Asahi Japan*.

TB is an airborne infectious disease. Nearly 9 million people became ill with TB and one-and-a-half million died of the disease in 2010. If TB is detected early and fully treated, affected individuals cease to be able to infect others and can be cured.

[The Stop TB Partnership](#) is leading the way to a world without tuberculosis (TB), a disease that is curable but still kills three people every minute. Founded in 2001, the Partnership's mission is to serve every person who is vulnerable to TB and ensure that high-quality treatment is available to all who need it. Our role is to ensure a bold vision for addressing TB and to coordinate and catalyse global efforts towards elimination of the disease.

Together our nearly 1000 partners are a collective force that is transforming the fight against TB in more than 100 countries. They include the World Health Organization – which hosts the partnership secretariat and is the major partner – government programmes, technical partners, research and funding agencies, NGOs, civil society and community groups and private sector. Our Global Plan to Stop TB (2011-2015) sets forth a roadmap for halving TB prevalence and deaths compared with 1990 levels by 2015.

The Lilly MDR-TB Partnership is a public-private initiative that encompasses global health and relief organizations, academic institutions and private companies and is led by Eli Lilly and Company. Its mission is to address the expanding crisis of multi-drug resistant tuberculosis (MDR-TB). The partnership is pursuing a comprehensive strategy to fight MDR-TB through increasing drug supply at concessionary prices; research; providing training in prevention, treatment, and surveillance; promoting awareness and community support programs and sharing drug manufacturing technology with nations most at risk of MDR-TB.

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