The Stop TB Partnership Working Group on New Diagnostics cordially invites you to its annual meeting that will be held in conjunction with the 38th Union World Conference on Lung Health.

The Working Group on New TB Diagnostics aims to coordinate and facilitate the development of widely accessible diagnostic tests to accelerate control of the global TB epidemic. The Working Group has recently gone through an important restructuring and expansion and will focus on a wider range of activities.

Don’t miss this opportunity to obtain information about the latest findings and tools being developed in the TB diagnostics field.

A light lunch will be served before the meeting at 12:30.

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(Meeting agenda overleaf)
AGENDA

13:00 Welcome
Dr Giorgio Roscigno (Chair) / Andy Ramsay (Secretariat)

13:05 The Stop TB Partnership and the Working Group on New Diagnostics
Dr Marcos Antonio Espinal Fuentes (Executive Secretary of the Stop TB Partnership)

13:15 New Organization of WG on New Diagnostics
Dr Giorgio Roscigno (Chair) / Andy Ramsay (Secretariat)

13:25 The Process of “Retooling”
Dr Vinand Nantulya (FIND)

13:35 Diagnostics research agenda of the WG on MDR-TB
Dr Frank Cobelens (KNCV)

13:45 New Diagnostics and Laboratory Capacity Strengthening
Dr John Ridderhof (Chair of Subgroup on Lab Capacity Strengthening of DOTS Expansion WG)

13:55 DISCUSSION

14:15 Cost-effectiveness of new diagnostics for tuberculosis
Dr David Bishai (John Hopkins University)

14:25 Standardizing the bleach method – Report from Mathare
Dr Maryline Bonnet (Epicentre)

14:35 The FIND-Zeiss LED Fluorescence Microscope
Dr CN Paramasivan (FIND)

14:45 DISCUSSION

15:00 Coffee Break

15:30 MGIT liquid culture: the South African experience
Dr Karin Weyer (Medical Research Council of South Africa)

15:40 The MODS assay: progress towards wider implementation
Dr David Moore (Imperial College London)

15:50 DISCUSSION

16:05 The Hain Test: New reports from South Africa and Tanzania
Dr Heidi Albert (FIND)

16:15 Progress on the LAMP assay for TB diagnosis
Dr Tetsu Hase (EIKEN)

16:25 Towards a serological test for tuberculosis
Dr Marila Gennaro (New Jersey Medical School)

16:35 DISCUSSION

16:50 "Dying for a TB test" - The perspective of the MSF Access Campaign
Dr Tido von Schoen-Angerer (Médecins Sans Frontières)

17:00 The Working Group on New Diagnostics: Next Steps
Dr Giorgio Roscigno (Chair) / Andy Ramsay (Secretariat)

17:05 DISCUSSION

17:25 Conclusion and close of meeting
Dr Giorgio Roscigno (Chair)