

Agenda (revised) of the 14th HIV/AIDS Civil Society Forum Luxembourg 6-7 December, 2011

Day 1, Tuesday December 6

Time	Agenda item
09.00	Opening - CSF co-chairs Yusef Azad & Luis Mendao
09.15	Report and action list of last meeting (Annex A)
09.30	CSF co-chairs update on advocacy and other actions - Yusef Azad & Luis Mendao
10.00	Commission update on recent HIV-related activities, those planned for 2012, and on Think Tank agenda - Wolfgang Philipp, DG SANCO EU tender on HIV and co-infections prevention strategies: concepts for the future
10.20	Coffee break
10.35	Financial cuts and HIV services: Global Fund cancellation round 11 – Vitaly Zhumagaliev, Global Fund (<i>TBC</i>) Further reports on impacts of financial crisis on HIV drugs access/prescription (and other HIV services) – CSF members and Commission Can we agree some principles around costs, cuts and drugs prescribing? - Yusef Azad
11.20	HIV stockouts: Emergency guidance on ART forced treatment interruptions - Ferenc Bagyinszky, Chair EATG (Annex B) Situation in Ukraine - Hanna Shevchenko (Annex C)
11.50	Updates: Global Fund (Hanna Shevchenko), ECDC (Teymur Noori); Feedback: MSM Conference Stockholm (Lella Cosmaro)
12.15	Lunch
13.15	HIV and drugs policy: Report on the civil society harm reduction audit & the European Harm Reduction meeting in Marseille - Claudia Stoicescu, European Harm Reduction Network Eliot Albert, European Network of People who Use Drug (<i>TBC</i>)
13.35	Evidence and Harm Reduction: the Russian experience - Pavel Aksenov, Russian Harm Reduction Network 'ESVERO'
13.50	Discussion on the public consultation on the Communication "Towards a Stronger European Response to Drugs" (Annex D,E&F)
14.30	ECDC/EMCDDA Guidance: Prevention and Control of Infectious Diseases among People who Inject Drugs - Dagmar Hedrich, Head of Health and social responses sector EMCDDA (Annex G,H)
14.50	Updates from UNODC (Monica Ciupagea) and EMCDDA (Klaudia Palczak)
15.00	Coffee break

15.30	Interim report – Monitoring implementation of the EU Communication and Action Plan on HIV/AIDS 2009-2013 + update on monitoring of the Dublin Declaration 2012 - Teymur Noori, ECDC (Annex I)
16.10	European Action Plan for HIV/AIDS 2012-2015 - Martin Donoghue WHO/Europe (Annex J)
16.30	UNAIDS - Update (including on MDG6 Moscow meeting), and further discussion of use we are making of High Level Meeting Declaration - Henning Mikkelsen (Annex K,L,M)
16.50	Discussion on how to pursue existing commitments and revise them in view of latest scientific, economic and political developments
17.20	Joint action on HIV prevention and quality assurance – Matthias Wentzlaff-Eggebert, IQHIV initiative (Annex N)
17.30	Closing

Day 2, Wednesday December 7

Time	Agenda item
09.00	What should the CSF be focusing on in 2012 in terms of implementation of the EU Action Plan? Discussion (Annex O)
10.00	EU funding for public health: advocacy around the forthcoming Financial Perspectives 2014-2020 Leonardo Palumbo, Policy officer for EU affairs, European Public Health Alliance (Annex P,Q,R)
10.30	Coffee break
11.00	The Medicines Patent Pool and its relevance to the European region - Ellen 't Hoen, Executive Director, Medicines Patent Pool (Annex S,T)
11.45	TB/HIV co-infection - how should we respond in Europe? - Paul Sommerfeld, Chair TB Alert, Committee member TB Europe Coalition, Fidelie Kalambayi, Monitoring and Evaluation Manager, Romanian Angel Appeal Foundation and Smiljka de Lussigny, WHO/Europe
12.30	EU Presidencies - Denmark January – June 2012 (Bent Hansen) - Cyprus July – December 2012 - Ireland January - June 2013 (Mick Quinlan) (TBC)
12.45	Any Other Business Evaluation
13.00	Closing

List of annexes

Annex	Description
A	Report and action list of last meeting
B	Emergency guidance on ART forced treatment interruptions: http://www.eatg.org/eatg/Publications/Emergency-Guidance-on-ART-forced-treatment-interruptions
C	Stock-outs in Ukraine
D	Public consultation on the Communication "Towards a Stronger European Response to Drugs"

http://ec.europa.eu/justice/newsroom/anti-drugs/opinion/111027_en.htm

- E EU Communication on drugs
- F Putting health and human rights first: EU HIV/AIDS Civil Society Forum statement on the future drug policies in the EU and beyond
- G ECDC/EMCDDA Guidance: Prevention and Control of Infectious Diseases among People who Inject Drugs: brief
- H ECDC/EMCDDA Guidance: full report
See both reports at <http://www.emcdda.europa.eu/publications/ecdc-emcdda-guidance>.
Additional reading:
Testing guidance (2010): <http://www.emcdda.europa.eu/publications/manuals/testing-guidelines>
Monograph on harm reduction (2010): <http://www.emcdda.europa.eu/publications/monographs/harm-reduction>
- I Interim report– Monitoring implementation of the EU Communication and Action Plan on HIV/AIDS 2009-2013: NOTE: Will be circulated by EC prior to the meeting
- J European Action Plan for HIV/AIDS 2012-2015: NOTE: This link will only become available on December 1: <http://www.euro.who.int/en/what-we-do/health-topics/communicable-diseases/hivaids/publications/2011/european-action-plan-for-hivaids-20122015>
- K Achieving MGD6 in Eastern Europe and Central Asia: [Achieving MDG 6 in Eastern Europe and Central Asia: Action Plan to Enhance Development Cooperation](#)
- L 2011 World AIDS Day report: [2011 World AIDS Day Report – Faster, Smarter, Better](#)
- M Regional factsheet: [regional factsheet](#)
- N Joint action on HIV prevention
- O EU HIV/AIDS Action Plan 2009-2013
- P Briefing on the Public Health Programme
- Q EPHA Summary Health for Growth Programme: <http://www.eph.org/a/4825>
Additional reading:
Press release Health for Growth: <http://www.eph.org/a/4824>
Press release Multi-annual financial framework: <http://www.eph.org/a/4653>:
- R Joint letter by HIV/AIDS CSF and CSF on drugs to EC
- S For general information on the Pool/Gilead license: <http://www.medicinespatentpool.org/LICENSING/Current-Licences/Medicines-Patent-Pool-and-Gilead-Licence-Agreement/Q-and-A-Gilead-Licences>
- T FAQ on Medicine Patent Pool: <http://www.medicinespatentpool.org/LICENSING/Current-Licences/Medicines-Patent-Pool-and-Gilead-Licence-Agreement/Q-and-A-Gilead-Licences/FAQ>
Further reading:
Here are some fun pictures of people campaigning for the Pool: <https://picasaweb.google.com/115637459549293886193/MerckJumpInThePatentPool?authuser=0&authkey=Gv1sRgCNyNkYTc-r2W4wE&feat=directlink>
A video explaining the Patent Pool: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Vj0dbFgloh>