

***2008-2018: looking back and looking forward
for building universal access to quality-assured medicines.***

1. Objectives

On the one hand, we want to “celebrate” the ten years from the signature of the Be-cause Health Charter on Quality of Medicines, which represented the formal commencement of a commitment of different Belgian stakeholders to assure the quality of medicines supplied through humanitarian and cooperation programs. On the other hand, and more important, we hope to contribute to building a road map for the next 10 years, to face the remaining obstacles that prevent to achieve universal access to quality-assured medicines.

2. Agenda

SETTING THE SCENE

- 9:30** **Welcome - Coffee/tea provided**
- 10:00** **Official opening with Minister De Croo**
- 10:30-11:15** **Key note presentation by prof Hans Hogerzeil**

LOOKING BACK (2008-2018)

11:15-12:45 Ten-years of engagement for access to quality-assured medicines: achievements and open challenges

- *Kashi Carasso (HERA):*
Feedback on the 10-years evaluation performed ad hoc
- *Xavier De Bethune (MDM-B) and Tine Demeulenaere (Damian Foundation):*
Experience of Belgian NGOs
- *Tahina Andrianjafy, Salama (Madagascar):*
Experience of African procurement centres
- *Barira Dan Nouhou, Medicines Regulatory Authority, Niger:*
Experience of an African regulator
- *Temmy Sunyoto (ITM):*
Access to quality-assured medicines, neglected tropical diseases
- *Discussion*

12:45-13:45 Lunch



LOOKING FORWARD (2019-2028)

13:45-15:45 Looking forward. The role of national and international donors in assuring quality of medicines in humanitarian and development programs: (how) can we harmonize the audits' practices and the purchase policies?

A round table, moderated by Raffaella Ravinetto (ITM) and Kashi Carasso (HERA). Each panelist will briefly present how his/her organization is tackling audits and purchase policies. Plenary discussion will follow.

Confirmed resource-persons:

Manuel Couffignal, DEVCO

Alain Prat, Global Fund

Catherine Dujardin, DGD

Jan Artur Sienczewski, ECHO

Jean-Michel Caudron, UNDP

Daniel Forrister, USAID/OFDA

15:45-16:00 Coffee break

16:00-17:30 Looking forward. The role of Belgian stakeholders for strengthening pharmaceutical quality assurance capacities in low-income countries

A round table, moderated by Wilbert Bannenberg (HERA) and Tim Roosen (Be-causeHealth). Each panelist will present a few points/statements/questions. Plenary discussion will follow.

Confirmed resource-persons:

Catherine Dujardin, DGD

Karel GYSELINCK, ENABEL

Raffaella Ravinetto, ITM

Pascal Mertens, Coris BioConcept

Bjorn Van den Sande, Sandoz BeLux

Ariadna Nebot Giralt – QUAMED

17:30 Closing
