

Programme for The 2nd Global Forum on Fair Pricing 11-13 April 2019, Johannesburg, South Africa

Objectives

- To share experiences in employing regulatory and non-regulatory measures for achieving 'fair' prices for pharmaceutical products that are affordable to patients and healthcare systems while incentivising enterprise, efficiency and innovation
- To explore tools, approaches and system factors that could facilitate affordable and sustainable pricing of pharmaceutical products
- To identify areas of actions that would support countries in achieving fairer pricing of pharmaceutical products

Expected outcomes

- Exchange of experiences in achieving better access through pricing measures
- Enabling networks for sharing of information relating to tools and approaches that could be used to achieve more affordable and sustainable prices
- Enhanced understanding of the merits and challenges of pricing and financing approaches that might bring about fairer pricing
- Common understanding and shared commitment towards the areas of actions identified for supporting countries in achieving fairer pricing

Detailed programme

Time	Activity / Topic	Discussants
Thursday 11 April 2019		
11:00 – 14:00	Registration and Lunch	
14:00 – 15:30	Workshops	
	W1: Negotiating with confidence	Rintoul (WHO) Porras (PAHO) Pillay (South Africa) Schoonveld (ZS Associates)
	W2: An interactive introduction into the world of patents and access to pharmaceuticals	Dueñas (WHO) t' Hoen (MLP) Nkomo (South Africa) Rius San Juan (UNDP) Cintra (IFPMA)
15:30 – 16:00	Break with refreshments and networking opportunities	
16:00 – 17:30	Workshops	
	W3: Access to medicines in the African region: medicines pricing as a bottleneck?	Sougou (AFRO) Colbert (WHO) Mbindyo (WHO Kenya)
	W4: Pricing implications of policies on biosimilar cancer medicines	Vyas (ESMO) Frittelli (IGBA) Tay-Teo (WHO)

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17:30 – 20:00	Forum opening dinner Welcome, introducing Forum objectives and commitments towards fairer pricing of pharmaceuticals	Moderator: Matsoso (South Africa) Motsoaledi (South Africa) Simão (WHO)
Friday 12 April 2019		
9:00 – 10:30	Plenary: Fair pricing in practice <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Progresses made toward fair pricing – Innovative industry's role in fair pricing: What has been done and what can be done? – Fair price to whom? High prices, rationing and addressing community's needs for access to medicines 	Moderator: Suleman (UKZN) Bahri (Malaysia) Cueni (IFPMA) Moon (Graduate Institute)
10:30 – 11:00	Break with refreshments and networking opportunities	
11:00 – 12:30	Parallel sessions	
	PS1: Improving transparency <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Building healthy markets: overcoming information asymmetries – Countries cannot negotiate fair medicine prices blindfolded – Transparency of costs of production 	Moderator: Miot (Wits) Li Bassi (Italy) Krikorian (MSF) Hill (Liverpool University) Torbett (ABPI)
	PS2: Improving information sharing <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Cross-country initiatives (PPRI, Beneluxa) – Pricing databases – MI4A database for vaccine access 	Moderator: Morgan (UBC) Rest (Austria) Escalante (WPRO) Fihman (WHO)
	PS3: Garner purchasing power through pooled procurement <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – PAHO Strategic and Revolving Funds – SADC Pooled Procurement – Challenges of small markets 	Moderator: Gray (UKZN) Porrás (PAHO) Rius San Juan (UNDP) Fogele (Latvia) TBC (SADC)
12:30 – 14:00	Lunch with networking opportunities	
14:00 – 15:30	Parallel sessions	
	PS4: Emerging approaches <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Canada's Patented Medicines Pricing Review Board – Dutch Accountability Foundation – Transition to delinkage – Analyzing innovative approaches 	Moderator: Breugelmans (Access to Medicine Foundation) Clark (PMPRB) Bannenberg (Farma ter Verantwoording) Love (KEI) Paris (OECD)
	PS5: Intellectual Property and Pricing	Moderator: Dueñas (WHO) Nkomo (South Africa) Burrone (MPP) Mafuma (Section 27) Laux (Novartis)

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	PS6: Addressing market failures <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Accessing insulin: prices issues and other challenges – Malaysia’s experience with Compulsory license – Relationship between pricing and shortages of cancer medicines – Shortages 	Moderator: Kronig (Switzerland) Bahri (Malaysia) Ewen (HAI) Taberner (ESMO) Frittelli (IGBA)
15:30 – 16:00	Break with refreshments and networking opportunities	
16:00 – 17:30	Plenary: Is fair pricing achievable? A trip back in history of the pricing of HIV medicines <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – South Africa and Access to Medicines – Revisiting early experiences towards access – Role of the generic medicines industry – Are we there yet? Lessons for today’s pricing problem 	Moderator: Wijnroks (Global Fund) Matsoso (South Africa) Simão (WHO) De Jongh (Cipla) Mellouk (ITPC)
Saturday 13 April 2019		
9:00 – 9:15	Welcome and introduction	
9:15 – 10:30	Plenary discussion Balancing access and innovation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Key learnings from the parallel sessions 	Chairs: Hill, Pillay
10:30 – 11:00	Break with refreshments and networking opportunities	
11:00 – 12:30	Plenary discussion Towards fair pricing – the next step Unresolved issues for the next Forum	Chairs: Pillay, Simão
12:30-1:00	Conclusion <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Reaffirming commitments 	Chairs: Pillay, Simão