



# **Global Health – Do Think Tanks Matter?**

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## WELCOME AND INTRODUCTORY REMARKS BY THE MODERATOR OF THE SESSION

### ILONA KICKBUSCH

Director, Global Health Programme, the Graduate Institute



Ilona Kickbusch is the Director of the Global Health Programme at the Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies, Geneva. She is senior advisor to the Regional Directors of the WHO Regional Offices for Europe and the Eastern Mediterranean. She has been deeply involved in the development of the Health 2020 European health policy framework. She is a member of the independent Ebola interim assessment panel of the WHO. In Switzerland, she serves on the executive board of the Careum Foundation and on the expert panel to the Federal Councillor to advise on the implementation of the Swiss Health Strategy 2020. She has contributed to innovation in health in many ways throughout her career and now advises organisations, government agencies and the private sector on policies and strategies to promote health at the national, European and international level. She has worked with the WHO at various levels and in academia as professor at Yale University. She has received honorary doctorates from the Nordic School of Public Health and the University of Girona. She has published widely and is a member of a number of advisory boards in both the academic and health policy arenas. She has received many awards. Her key areas of work relate to Global Health Governance, Health Security, Public Health, Health Promotion, Health Literacy, and Health in All Policies. She has a strong commitment to women's rights. Details and updates can be found on her Website: [www.ilonakickbusch.com](http://www.ilonakickbusch.com) and on wikipedia. You can follow her on twitter @IlonaKickbusch

## KEYNOTE ADDRESS: “How can global health organisations best benefit from global health policy think tanks?”

### LUIZ LOURES

Assistant Director-General, UN, and Deputy Executive Director of Programme, UNAIDS



Luiz Loures joined UNAIDS in 1996 and was appointed Deputy Executive Director of Programme and Assistant Secretary-General of the United Nations in January 2013. He leads UNAIDS efforts in leveraging critical support to countries to meet the 2015 global AIDS targets and establish a sustainable response to AIDS. Dr Loures is a medical doctor with nearly 30 years' experience in the AIDS response. His engagement ranges from providing medical care to people living with HIV in the early days of the epidemic to his dynamic involvement in global policy framework development. In 2006, Dr Loures was granted the Make a Difference Award for his long-standing contribution to the global response to AIDS by “O Globo”, one of Brazil's largest newspapers. Previously, Dr Loures was Director of the Political and Public Affairs Branch of UNAIDS, where he managed strategic and political processes to promote UNAIDS' vision and enable effective implementation of the corporate agenda. Prior to this, Dr Loures was the Director of the UNAIDS Executive Office, overseeing strategic direction and assisting the Executive Director in implementing the UNAIDS strategy. He also managed UNAIDS activities in the Americas and Europe as the Associate Director of the Country and Regional Support Department. Before joining UNAIDS, Dr Loures served in various capacities within the Ministry of Health of Brazil. He actively participated in the creation and consolidation of Brazil's National AIDS Programme, which is widely recognized today as being one of the most effective in curbing the epidemic. Dr Loures was directly responsible for designing the programme for universal access to antiretroviral therapy for people living with HIV in Brazil. In the early 1980's, as a pioneer in the AIDS response, Dr Loures diagnosed some of the first patients with AIDS-related illnesses in Brazil. Born, raised and educated in Brazil, Dr Loures completed his medical studies at the Federal University of Minas Gerais, specializing in critical care. He holds an MPH degree from the University of California at Berkeley and speaks Portuguese, Spanish, English and French.

## PANEL DISCUSSION

### **LUIZ LOURES**

**Assistant Director-General, UN, and Deputy Executive Director of Programme, UNAIDS**

### **CHRISTOPH BENN**

**Director, External Relations, the Global Fund to Fight Aids, Tuberculosis and Malaria**



Christoph Benn joined the Global Fund in 2003 and is currently the Director of External Relations. He has been responsible for building and maintaining good relations with all Global Fund partners and mobilizing resources for the Global Fund almost since its creation in 2002, through the management of replenishment conferences and spearheading innovative approaches to resource mobilization including (Product) RED and Debt2Health. Prior to joining the Global Fund, he worked as a clinician in the UK, Germany and as Doctor-in-Charge of a rural hospital in Tanzania. Christoph Benn has more than 20 years of experience in global health with a special focus on AIDS and infectious diseases.

### **MARLEEN TEMMERMAN**

**Director, Department of Reproductive Health and Research, WHO**



Prof Dr Marleen Temmerman has been the Director of the Department of Reproductive Health and Research (RHR) at the World Health Organization (WHO) since 2012. RHR is the main instrument within the United Nations for research in women's health, bringing together policy-makers and programmers, scientists, health care providers, clinicians, consumers and civil society, advocates, and women's groups, in order to identify and address priorities for research to improve women's health from a rights-based perspective. She is a full Professor OB/GYN at the Ghent University in Belgium, currently with leave of absence. As an obstetrician she supervised over 18,000 births in many parts of the world, unfortunately with too many preventable maternal deaths. She has a strong academic background with over 400 publications and books in the area of women's health, many PhD students in Europe, Africa and China, and several awards and honours. In 2007, Dr Temmerman was elected as a Senator in the Belgian Parliament where she was member of the Commission on Social Affairs, and chair of the Commission on Foreign Affairs. In that capacity, she was a member of the European Parliamentary Forum and chair of the HIV/AIDS Advisory Group of the Inter-Parliamentary Union. She served as a member of the IERG (independent expert review group), installed by the UNSG to improve accountability in the "Every Woman, Every Child" platform to accelerate MDG 4 and 5. She is one of the main penholders of the new "Global Strategy for Women's, Children and Adolescents' Health", launched by the UNSG and partners in September 2015, transitioning from the MSGs to the SDGs.

## **DETLEV GANTEN**

**Founding President, M8 Alliance of Academic Health Centres, Universities and National Academies**



Professor Ganten was born in Lüneburg in 1941. He studied medicine at the universities of Würzburg, Montpellier (France) and Tübingen. After completing his degree, he spent several years as a research scientist at the Clinical Research Institute in Montreal (Canada), and earned his Ph.D. at McGill University. In 1975, Detlev Ganten was appointed Professor at the Department of Pharmacology at the University of Heidelberg. From 1991 to 2004, Professor Ganten was the founding director and president of the Max Delbrück Center for Molecular Medicine (MDC) Berlin-Buch. He was also Director of the Department of Pharmacology at the Benjamin Franklin Medical Center of the Free University of Berlin. From 2004 to 2008, Professor Ganten was Chief Executive Officer at the “Charité – Universitätsmedizin Berlin”, the joint medical faculty of the Free University and Humboldt University of Berlin. Professor Ganten has been the Chairman of the Board of the Charité Foundation since 2005. He is also Chairman of the joint Board of Trustees of the Max Planck Institute of Colloids and Interfaces and of the Max Planck Institute of Molecular Plant Physiology. As a research scientist in the field of hypertension, Professor Ganten elucidated fundamental mechanisms of the pathophysiology and molecular biology of high blood pressure. His areas of research include the hormonal regulation of blood pressure, especially the renin-angiotensin system, and the molecular genetics of cardiovascular diseases.

## **SAADIYA RAZZAQ**

**Senior Research Associate, Sustainable Development Policy Institute, Pakistan**



Saadiya Razzaq is currently working as Team Leader and Senior Research Associate at the Sustainable Development Policy Institute (SDPI), Pakistan. Her specific areas of expertise include health economics, health financing, health system strengthening, and institutionalization of health accounts in Pakistan. Moreover, she has conducted comprehensive qualitative and quantitative research on poverty related issues, and she has been engaged in monitoring and evaluation and costing of studies and activities in the health and education sectors. She has a Masters in Economics from Quaid-i-Azam University, Islamabad. Before joining SDPI she was working as a Research Economist at Pakistan Institute of Development Economics, Islamabad. Prior to that, she worked in the Health System Strengthening and Policy Unit (HSSPU), as a Financing Specialist (WHO) and HRH specialist (JSI), where her main task was to provide evidence-based policy advice to the Ministry of Health. Before joining WHO, she worked with GTZ as a Health Economist, where she developed Pakistan’s first ever National Health Accounts. She has also worked with the National Health Policy Unit (NHPU, TAMA funded) and the UNDP/UNOPS Project Center for Research on Poverty Reduction and Income Distribution (CRPRID). She is also engaged with teaching and is a visiting faculty member of the Health Services Academy, Islamabad, Quaid-i-Azam University, Islamabad, and PIDE for masters and M. Phil. Courses.