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Thursday, 12 November 2015, 09:00–10:30
Auditorium Ivan Pictet, Maison de la paix, the Graduate Institute, Geneva

The Global Health Programme at the Graduate Institute will for the first time ever bring together leaders from think tanks and academic institutions from around the world to discuss how the transformational approach to global development aimed for by the SDGs can be put into practice for global health and greater health equity.

This timely meeting, following the recent adoption of the SDGs, will explore the special contribution global health policy-focused think tanks and academic institutions can make in proposing policies that could affect change and in being critical partners who question approaches and address issues of transparency and accountability. Special focus will be put on health and trade, global health security, and global health governance. In this way, the meeting will contextualise the SDGs and begin translating them into action by framing the debate with a global health focus.

We cordially invite all global health actors to join the opening session of this unique two-day meeting. The programme of the opening includes the following speakers:

Welcome and introductory remarks by the moderator of the session
Ilona Kickbusch, Director, Global Health Programme, the Graduate Institute

Welcome
Philippe Burrin, Director, the Graduate Institute
Pascal Strupler, Director, Swiss Federal Office of Public Health

Opening addresses
Margaret Chan, Director-General, World Health Organization
Xiaozhun Yi, Deputy Director-General, World Trade Organization

Keynote address: **“The 2030 Agenda and the SDGs, a course correction?”**
Sakiko Fukuda-Parr, The New School, USA

Panel discussion with all speakers and Prof Francis Omaswa, Executive Director, African Centre for Global Health and Social Transformation (ACHEST), Uganda, responding to the keynote address and engaging with the audience.

The meeting is supported by the Swiss Federal Department of Foreign Affairs, the Swiss Federal Office of Public Health, and the Charities Aid Foundation. Please block the 13th November 2015 from 16:00 to 17:30 for the final session of the event where results will be presented publicly in the context of a debate between think tank leaders and representatives of Geneva-based agencies. Luiz Loures, Assistant Secretary-General of the United Nations and Deputy Executive Director of UNAIDS, will deliver the keynote address at this session.

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