The 20th International AIDS Conference (AIDS 2014) is the premier gathering for those working in the field of HIV, including scientists, medical practitioners, activists, policymakers, people living with HIV and others committed to ending the epidemic. It will be a tremendous opportunity for researchers from around the world to share the latest scientific advances in the field, learn from one another’s expertise, and develop strategies for advancing all facets of our collective efforts to treat and prevent HIV.

AIDS 2014 is expected to convene over 14,000 delegates from nearly 200 countries, including 1,200 journalists. The conference will be held from 20–25 July 2014 at the Melbourne Convention and Exhibition Centre. The International AIDS Society, the world’s leading independent association of HIV professionals, with more than 16,000 members worldwide, is organizing AIDS 2014 in collaboration with international, regional and local partners.

The Australian policy response to HIV has been characterized as emerging from the grassroots rather than top-down, with a high degree of partnership between scientists, government and community. AIDS 2014 will be an important opportunity to share the benefits of such partnerships with other countries.

Hosting AIDS 2014 in Melbourne will also make it possible for those from across the region to attend the conference and share their successes and challenges on a global level. The Asia Pacific region has the largest geographic area and population in the world, with dramatically varying levels of wealth, and a complex mix of cultural and behavioural determinants of HIV risk, giving the experts from the region unique perspectives on the epidemic that will be of great value to their colleagues from around the world.

We are extremely pleased to partner with the City of Melbourne, the State Government of Victoria, the Federal Government of Australia and various scientific and community leaders from Australia, as well as from Asia and the Pacific.

We look forward to a strong global partnership among science, leadership and community in building a conference programme that will take another step towards ending the AIDS epidemic. Meeting in Melbourne, we will work together to strengthen our efforts across all regions of the world, building on the momentum of AIDS 2012.

AIDS 2014 will be chaired by two eminent scientists.
Two women who have been critical to the continued development of HIV and AIDS research.

Françoise Barré-Sinoussi, PhD
International Chair
President, International AIDS Society
Research Director, INSERM & Director, Regulation of Retroviral Infections Unit, Institut Pasteur, Paris
2008 Nobel Prize in Medicine for co-discovery of HIV

Sharon Lewin, FRACP PhD
Local Co-Chair
Professor and Head, Department of Infectious Diseases, Alfred Hospital and Monash University
Co-head, Centre for Biomedical Research, Burnet Institute Melbourne, Australia

AIDS 2014 CONFERENCE OBJECTIVES

1. To engage, inspire, innovate and advocate – in partnership with affected communities, government, scientists, clinicians and all stakeholders – working towards the end of AIDS through prevention measures and comprehensive care and treatment for all.

2. To broaden the understanding that the same barriers that have fuelled the epidemic over the past 30 years still exist today and need to be broken down including stigma, discrimination and repressive policies, attitudes and practices. These impede the application of scientifically proven prevention and treatment options and violate the human rights of those affected.

3. To raise awareness that progress in responding to the AIDS epidemic is being achieved at different speeds: in many countries – both developed and developing – the HIV response has made great advances while in many others, new infections continue to rise due to funding, structural, policy and political challenges.

4. To put focus on global HIV epidemic hotspots and scale up efforts within Key Affected Populations (including men who have sex with men, sex workers, people living with HIV, transgender, and people who use drugs). It is clear that many people are still being “left behind” in HIV prevention, diagnosis, treatment and care. Solutions require partnerships with people living with HIV and disproportionately affected populations.

5. To acknowledge the pivotal role the HIV response has played in transforming global health over the past three decades and to build upon this momentum by: increasing funding for innovative HIV scientific research and programmes; involving a new generation of young scientists, community leaders, politicians and advocates; involving the cross fertilization of experience and expertise from other disciplines.

6. To assist in fostering the current debate around a post 2015 Millennium Development Goals (MDG) scenario for HIV and AIDS, including the cross cutting issues of criminalization, gender based violence, sexual health rights and stigma and discrimination. Ensuring that HIV and AIDS remains a key focus of international development.
The HIV and AIDS field has seen renewed optimism over the past few years with substantial gains made in cure and vaccine research, growing numbers of people receiving antiretroviral treatment, falling rates of infection and more evidence on Treatment as Prevention. However, this progress has not been universal with many regions struggling to address their HIV epidemic among a backdrop of ever increasing infections and difficulties in funding, implementation and political challenges.

Stepping up the Pace recognizes that we are at a critical time and we need to capture the optimism that has recently emerged and build on it to ensure that HIV remains on top of the global agenda. The pace needs to further increase to ultimately reverse the trajectory of the epidemic.

Stepping up the Pace reminds us that we have to energize and revitalize our efforts to increase investments, collaborative research and political commitment. This can be done through controlled and coordinated action, including significant programme scale-up in resource-limited settings, commitment to evidence-based interventions, and more effective and intensive interventions in “hotspots” where Key Affected Populations (KAPs) are being left behind.

Crucially there is the need to involve KAPs and address the stigma and discrimination which they face, including punitive government policies.

Stepping up the Pace reflects the crucial opportunity that AIDS 2014 will provide for mobilizing stakeholders, joining forces and building on the present momentum necessary to change the course of the epidemic.

KEY TOPICS AT AIDS 2014

GLOBALLY
• Historic time for science in the global response against HIV and AIDS
• Continued need to invest now or pay later
• Post-Millennium Development Goals in 2015
• Universal access to treatment and care
• Stigma and discrimination challenges
• Continuing vaccine and cure research.

ASIA PACIFIC REGION
• Wide diversity in access to care
• Success stories in prevention, treatment and care
• Unacceptable discriminatory laws in some countries
• Programmatic focus on disproportionately burden populations.
**CONFERENCE PROGRAMME**

**DAILY PLENARY SESSIONS AND NON-ABSTRACT DRIVEN SESSIONS**

The daily plenary sessions feature some of the world’s most distinguished HIV scientists, community leaders and policy specialists. Plenary sessions will bring together all conference delegates at the first session of every morning.

In addition to abstract driven sessions, the International AIDS Conference features a number of different sessions such as symposia sessions, bridging sessions and special sessions addressing a variety of current viewpoints and issues.

**GLOBAL VILLAGE AND YOUTH PROGRAMME**

The Global Village is a diverse and vibrant space where community gathers from all over the world to meet, share and learn from each other. It is a space for community to demonstrate the application of science and good leadership. It is also a space that invites conference participants to see how science translates into community action and intervention.

The Global Village promotes networking between north and south, east and west and provides a space for displays, discussions and performances from throughout the world. The Global Village is open to the general public and conference delegates and admission is free.

**YOUTH PARTICIPATION**

An important aim of the Global Village and Youth Programme at the International AIDS Conference is to work to strengthen the participation of young people and the profile of youth issues at AIDS 2014. AIDS 2014 organizers want young people to be a visible presence at the conference, not only as delegates, but also as organizers, speakers, leaders and peers.

**THE CONFERENCE PROGRAMME IS MADE UP OF THREE PILLARS:**

1. Scientific
2. Community
3. Leadership and Accountability

**WITHIN THE SCIENTIFIC PROGRAMME, THERE ARE MULTIPLE TRACKS:**

- Track A: Basic and Translational Research
- Track B: Clinical Research
- Track C: Epidemiology and Prevention Research
- Track D: Social and Political Research, Law, Policy and Human Rights
- Track E: Implementation Research, Economics, Systems and Synergies with other Health and Development Sectors

**AS A DELEGATE AT AIDS 2014 YOU CAN EXPECT TO:**

- Engage with leaders on issues related to the three conference pillars
- Access new science
- Take part in policy debates
- Be exposed to new ideas and build your network
- Develop synergies across disciplines
- Increase engagement at a regional and global level
GET INVOLVED IN AIDS 2014!

SUBMIT AN ABSTRACT
Emerging and established researchers are welcomed to submit an abstract to one or more of the five scientific tracks of the programme. AIDS 2014 organizers encourage work that introduces new ideas and/or concepts; new research findings and advances to the field, as well as analysis of both success and failure.

For more information, please contact the Abstracts Department at abstracts@aids2014.org

Abstract Mentor Programme
The goal of the AIDS 2014 Abstract Mentor Programme is to provide an opportunity for young and/or less experienced abstract submitters to have their draft abstracts mentored by more experienced authors before submitting their abstract to the conference.

Submissions for the Abstract Mentor Programme open on 17 November 2013.

HOST AN AFFILIATED INDEPENDENT EVENT
Are you planning an event in or around Melbourne that coincides with AIDS 2014? If so, why not link it to the conference as an Affiliated Independent Event? In the past, Affiliated Independent Events have included meetings, forums, cultural events, galas and performances.

Affiliated Independent Events should reflect and/or support the vision and goals of the conference whilst addressing HIV and AIDS, co-infections or issues faced by individuals or organizations affected by or responding to HIV and AIDS. The Affiliated Independent Events application form is accessible through the online conference profile; submissions now are open. These events should not conflict time-wise with the official conference programme.

SHOWCASE YOUR PRODUCTS AND SERVICES IN THE EXHIBITION AREA
AIDS 2014 will offer unparalleled opportunities to both commercial and non-commercial organizations to showcase their products and services to the largest gathering of HIV professionals in the world. For more information on exhibitors benefits and options please visit the website or contact the Exhibition Department at exhibition@aids2014.org

For more information on Exhibitors benefits and options please download the AIDS 2014 Commercial Invitation on the AIDS 2014 website.

APPLY FOR AN INTERNATIONAL OR MEDIA SCHOLARSHIP
One of the main initiatives of the conference is to make it accessible and beneficial as possible to delegates from all regions of the globe, especially those in resource limited communities and settings.

The International and Media Scholarship Programme is open to everyone working or volunteering in the field of HIV and media representatives from around the world. Scholarship selection will be based on a non-biased scoring system established in advance. A Scholarship Review Committee will contribute to the reviewing and scoring of the applications.

Scholarship applicants will be able to request a full or partial scholarship. A full scholarship includes:

- Registration fee for the conference (include access to all sessions and exhibitions);
- Travel (pre-paid airfare at the lowest fare available, from the nearest international airport);
- Accommodation (shared in a budget hotel or dorm for the days of the conference);
- Modest daily living allowance for the days of the conference.

Applications will be open online through the conference profile, from 5 December 2013 to 13 February 2014.

BECOME A CONFERENCE SPONSOR
The conference organizers rely heavily on contributions from a range of sources to fund AIDS 2014. There are many different ways for sponsors to showcase their programmes and expertise, ranging from preparing an exhibition booth, organizing a satellite meeting, or becoming an official AIDS 2014 sponsor. We offer sponsorship packages at five different levels, from $5,000 to $100,000, as well as various unique sponsorship opportunities. To tailor to specific needs we also offer customizable packages which can include a combination of cash sponsorship, in-kind contributions, and/or marketing support. Being an AIDS 2014 sponsor puts your company’s name, brand, messaging, programmes and initiatives in front of each attendee and thousands more worldwide who will experience the conference through media coverage, social media, conference hubs, and official affiliated events.

For more information please download the AIDS 2014 Commercial Invitation or contact Jack Downey at jack.downey@iasociety.org at our Geneva office. For those in Australia, please contact Sonja Basic at the AIDS 2014 Secretariat in Melbourne at sonja.basic@aids2014.org. We would be happy to discuss what opportunities would work best for your organizational needs.
BRING THE CONFERENCE TO YOUR COMMUNITY WITH A CONFERENCE HUB

If you and your organization can’t attend AIDS 2014 in person, you can still bring the conference expertise and materials to your community by hosting an AIDS 2014 conference hub. These conference hubs are “mini conferences” held in conjunction with the International AIDS Conference by local organizations active in the AIDS response.

More information will be soon available on the AIDS 2014 website. You can also contact the Hubs representative at hubs@aids2014.org.

NETWORK IN THE GLOBAL VILLAGE

The Global Village is the only area of the conference which is open to the general public: admission is free, and conference delegates and non-delegates alike can enjoy this diverse and vibrant space where community gathers from all over the world to meet, share and learn from each other.

The Global Village will host sessions, film screenings, performances, art exhibitions, marketplace booths and a community dialogue space. Networking zones are also a key part of the programme and allow groups focused on particular populations or geographic regions to meet and engage with delegates and the public visiting the Global Village.

The Youth Pavilion in the Global Village is the main networking space for young people at AIDS 2014. The pavilion will host a diverse programme of sessions, workshops and exhibitions. Other youth related activities, include the Youth Pre-Conference, and reception (Melbourne, 18–19 July 2014).

TAKE PART IN THE AIDS 2014 GLOBAL VILLAGE AND YOUTH PROGRAMME

Activities inside the Global Village are based on public submissions. If you have an activity you would like to see included in the programme you can submit your proposal online. All proposals must be made through your conference profile.

For more information, please contact globalvillage@aids2014.org.

BECOME AN AIDS 2014 VOLUNTEER

The success of the AIDS 2014 depends heavily on the support of between 1,500 and 2,000 volunteers.

Volunteers will help plan the conference, coordinate programme activities, greet visiting delegates, assist with registration, act as guides during the conference, staff various offices and activities, help in the Global Village and perform other crucial tasks.

Volunteer will have access to conference sessions outside of their shifts, a lunch each day and a Certificate of Appreciation. Furthermore, volunteers will have the possibility to gain international experience at the world’s largest conference on AIDS and to unite in the response to AIDS.

For more information please contact volunteer@aids2014.org.

ACCOMMODATION

Accommodation has been reserved for conference delegates in a range of apartments and hotels at preferential rates. A detailed list of hotel rooms reserved for delegates and additional information on rates will be available online from 1 December 2013. For more information please contact the AIDS 2014 Accommodation Department (accommodation@aids2014.org).
**AIDS 2014 PARTNERSHIPS**

The International AIDS Conference represents a wide partnership with the International AIDS Society (IAS) as convenor. The partnership includes:

**PERMANENT PARTNERS**
- Global Network of People Living with HIV (GNP+)
- International Council of AIDS Service Organizations (ICASO)
- International Community of Women Living with HIV/AIDS (ICW)
- UNAIDS, the Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS

**NON-PERMANENT PARTNERS**
- Positive Women’s Network (PWN)
- Sidaction

**AUSTRALIA BASED PARTNERS**
- The Australian Agency for International Development (AusAID)
- The Australasian Society for HIV Medicine (ASHM)
- The National Association of People Living with HIV Australia (NAPWHA)

**REGIONAL BASED PARTNERS**
- The AIDS Society of Asia and the Pacific (ASAP)
- The National AIDS Research Institute of India (NARI)
- The Asia Pacific Network of Sex Workers (APNSW)

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**Registration:** AIDS 2014 registration opens on World AIDS Day – 1 December 2013. Early registration is encouraged to benefit from discounted rates:

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* For definition of High/Middle/Low income countries, please go to [www.aids2014.org/registration_fees.aspx](http://www.aids2014.org/registration_fees.aspx)

Please note: Registration fees are including 10% GST. Registration fees must be paid in USD only. All dates and times mentioned refer to Central European Time Zone (CET).

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**AUSTRALIAN AND NEW ZEALAND CONFERENCE DELEGATES**

The Australasian Society for HIV Medicine (ASHM) is the Australian scientific partner of AIDS 2014. ASHM is a multidisciplinary professional organisation which supports the HIV, viral hepatitis and sexual health workforce. ASHM will not hold its annual scientific meeting in 2014, instead it is fully incorporated into AIDS 2014. ASHM Membership:

- Australian and New Zealand delegates can join or renew their ASHM Membership when they register for AIDS 2014 and enjoy a near 50% saving on the membership cost.
- Australian and New Zealand delegates not wanting to join or renew their ASHM membership should register for AIDS 2014 using the high income countries rate.
- The cost of ASHM Membership when registering for AIDS 2014 is USD 110 full and USD 44 student incl. GST. This is a considerable discount on the annual ASHM A$187 full and A$66 student membership rates.
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**DON’T MISS THE AIDS 2014 WEBINAR SERIES**

The webinars will provide updates on AIDS 2014 and will cover a wide variety of topics aimed at strengthening the participation and engagement of young individuals, communities, leaders, and scientists at the conference.

For more information about the webinars please visit: [www.aids2014.org/webinars.aspx](http://www.aids2014.org/webinars.aspx)

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**JOIN THE CONVERSATION AND FOLLOW AIDS 2014 ON SOCIAL MEDIA!**

Get the latest conference updates and share your thoughts and ideas through the AIDS 2014 social media channels.

- [www.facebook.com/InternationalAIDSConference](http://www.facebook.com/InternationalAIDSConference)
- [@AIDS_conference #AIDS2014](http://www.twitter.com/AIDS_conference)
- [www.youtube.com/user/iasaidsconference](http://www.youtube.com/user/iasaidsconference)

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