The 20th International AIDS Conference (AIDS 2014) is the premier gathering for those working in the field of HIV, as well as 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 health 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, dramatically varying levels of wealth, and a complex mix of structural 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 takes another step toward the end of the AIDS epidemic. Gathering in Melbourne, we will work together to strengthen our efforts globally, 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 science to overcome HIV and AIDS.

Françoise Barré-Sinoussi, PhD
International Chair
President, International AIDS Society
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

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
AIDS 2014 PARTNERSHIPS
The International AIDS Conference represents a wide partnership with the International AIDS Society (IAS) as convenor. The partnership includes:

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

AUSTRALIA BASED PARTNERS
- AusAID
- The Australasian Society for HIV Medicine (ASHM)
- The National Association of People Living with HIV (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)

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

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
- Millennium Development Goals of 2015
- Universal access to treatment and care
- Stigma and discrimination challenges
- Vaccine and cure

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 burdened populations

THE PRINCIPLES AND GOALS OF THE INTERNATIONAL AIDS CONFERENCE

PRINCIPLES
- Meaningful inclusion of people living with HIV and key affected populations, and optimize mechanisms for meaningful participation
- Be accountable and transparent in planning and implementing the conference
- Ensure gender equality in representation at all levels of the planning and in the implementation of the conference
- Develop a robust, comprehensive programme to present the most current science, best medical practice information, and community experience

GOALS
- To advance the global response to the epidemic
- To share new research, lessons learned and best practices
- To contribute to HIV scientific advancement and community development through exchanges, dialogue and debate between and among researchers, communities, leaders and other key stakeholders
- To foster dialogue and debate and build consensus on human rights based approaches
- To address legal, social or other structural barriers through evidence based advocacy and programmes that improve the dignity and wellbeing of people living with HIV and which will reduce HIV transmission
- To promote political accountability and public awareness towards HIV and support through media coverage
- To document contribution to and inspire improvement of public health, health systems and human rights and thus demonstrate how the HIV and AIDS response is leveraged for wider development results

WITHIN THE SCIENTIFIC PROGRAMME, THERE ARE MULTIPLE TRACKS:
Track A: Basic and Translational Research
Track B: Clinical Research
Track C: Epidemiology 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

THE CONFERENCE PROGRAMME IS MADE UP OF THREE PILLARS:
1. Scientific
2. Community
3. Leadership and Accountability
**DAILY PLENARY SESSIONS**

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

**NON-ABSTRACT DRIVEN SESSIONS**

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**

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 PROGRAMME**

Almost half of all new HIV infections in the world are among people under 25. Estimates show that more than 7,400 people become infected with HIV daily, 3,300 of whom are young people. Globally, 5.4 million young people are living with HIV. Young women under age 25 are at an even greater risk of HIV infection and comprise 57.4% of infected youth. Young people remain the most vulnerable group to HIV infection due to many factors, including lack of information, education, societal influences, and inability to access healthcare services.

The aim of the 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.

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

- Opportunities to engage with world leaders in the areas of Science, Community and Leadership
- Access to new technology
- To engage in policy debate
- To be exposed to new ideas and experiences
- To develop synergies across disciplines
- Increased engagement at a regional and global level

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