

THE HARM REDUCTION EXCHANGE 2023

Friday 20th January 2022

AGENDA

09⁰⁰ - 09¹⁰

Welcome Remarks by Organiser – Integra Africa

SESSION 1

09¹⁰ - 09³⁰

Keynote 1: Harm Reduction as a winning strategy in Africa?

Dr. Imane KENDILI (Morocco)

Dr Imane Kendili is a Moroccan specialist in drug addiction and behavior. Currently president of MAPA (Moroccan Association for Addictive Medicine and Associated Pathologies) and Vice-President of CARS (African Center for Health Research). Author of the book: The Harm Reduction Manifesto

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Keynote 2: New approaches to Harm Reduction in dermatology

Prof. Moussa DIALLO (Senegal)

Prof. Moussa Diallo: Head of the dermatology department at HALD since 2000, Unique specialist in pathological anatomy. A strong advocate for harm reduction.

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Keynote 3: Harm Reduction and cancer

Prof. David KHAYAT (France)

Prof. David KHAYAT (France) French oncologist, Head of the medical oncology service at the Pitié-Salpêtrière Hospital in Paris.

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Panel Exchange Session 1:

Scientific approach as a key determinant of Harm Reduction outcomes

Common harm reduction measures are concerned with a product's quality and strength. The key insight from science is that being risky is not only a matter of individual inclination – but there can be reasons for “bad” behaviour”. Two and a half decades of research on drugs harm reduction has led to sophisticated methods to assess risks and epidemics to encourage evidence informed policy. There is also a large evidence-base on the effectiveness of harm reduction interventions in various health related sectors. The new science of risk behaviour shows that drug users will change their behaviour to protect their own health and that of others.

MODERATOR:

Dr Tendai MHIZHA – Integra Africa (Mauritius)

PANEL MEMBERS

Dr Imane KENDILI

Prof Moussa DIALLO

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Live Q&A Session

SESSION 2

10⁵⁰ - 11⁰⁵

Keynote 1: Tobacco Harm Reduction in Africa
Dr Kgosi LETLAPE (South Africa)

Dr Letlape is an ophthalmologist and healthcare leader from South Africa. He is the former chairman of the Health Professions Council of South Africa.

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Keynote 2: Why THR is important in the fight against smoking in Africa?
Joseph MAGERO (Kenya)

Joseph Magero is the Chairman of Campaign for Safer Alternatives (CASA), a pan African organisation that advocates for the adoption of harm reduction policies in Africa.

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Presentation of highlights and key take-aways from the recently launched Global State of Tobacco Harm Reduction (GSTHR) report titled "FIGHTING THE LAST WAR" – The WHO and international tobacco control.
Harry SHAPIRO (UK)

Harry Shapiro has been working for over 40 years in UK NGOs concerned with drugs and drug addiction in support of harm reduction. He was Director of Communications for DrugScope, writing books and articles, giving conference presentations, academic lectures and media interviews. Since 2015, he has carried on working in the field of harm reduction as applied to the public health imperative to encourage smokers to switch away from cigarettes.

The latest GSTHR report offers an overview of key issues in Tobacco harm reduction and the right to health. Its public health potential and relationship with human rights gives insight into the developments over the last two years of tobacco harm reduction and use, availability and regulatory responses to safer nicotine products around the world.

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Panel Exchange Session 2:
"Science led regulations and Tobacco Harm Reduction"
Harry SHAPIRO (UK)

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Dr Kgosi LETLAPE
Harry SHAPIRO
Joseph MAGERO

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Closing Remarks

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