

# 16. Community as partner: creating successful collaborations in TB control

Thursday, 30 October 2014, 14:30 - 16:30



**Type** Symposium

**Track** Civil Society

**Topic** Partnerships

**Description** Community-NTP collaborations are essential to TB control, but can be challenging for both sides. This symposium will share different models used to engage community based organisations (CBOs); community success stories and key contributing factors; and challenges communities and NTPs face in trying to work together. Presenters from both CBOs and NTPs will offer alternative suggestions for improving this critical collaboration and discuss how these might be applied in practice.

**Target audience** This session is targeted to all conference-goers: patient representatives, community-based organisation representatives, NTP staff, technical partner organisations, and donors.

**Objectives**

1. Describe the approaches countries use in engaging CBOs in health programming, and explore alternatives.
2. Present results of successful CBO contributions and examine key elements of their success.
3. Discuss challenges CBOs face in working in TB and how they might be overcome.
4. Discuss challenges NTPs face in collaborating with CBOs and how they can be addressed.

**Keywords** community-based organisations; TB control; partnerships

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**Chair(s)**

**Presentations**

14:30 - 14:45 Lost in translation: the challenges of creating a shared vision for TB control

14:50 - 15:05 Speaking from experience: patient contributions to TB control

15:10 - 15:25 Reclaiming the human dimension of TB control: CBOs on the frontlines

15:30 - 15:45 Integrating TB/HIV: the role of HIV NGOs and other civil society organisations

15:50 - 16:05 The NTP perspective: overcoming challenges to community partnerships

16:10 - 16:30 Discussion