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PLENARY SESSION 2

FUTURES OF PARTNERSHIPS FOR A SAFER WORLD



| BACKGROUND

This plenary is an interactive session that will introduce four core questions, based on the Futures approach, to shape the discourse of partnerships for greater biosecurity in the world. It will begin with an introduction of Futures thinking by Dr. Sohail Inayatullah, UNESCO Chair of Futures Studies and Professor at Tamkang University, Taiwan. Then, the plenary will involve a short discussion on the current state of partnerships or lack of in certain thematic areas, and challenges in forging effective partnerships. It will delve into exploring various futures for partnerships and what effective and inclusive partnerships can achieve to make the world a safer place for all. Attempting to jointly uncover the “unknown unknowns” within a Futures methodology will lead to an innovative approach in organizing an interactive plenary that would hopefully lead to new directions and interesting discussions within the parallel sessions.

| OBJECTIVES

- To jointly envision possible scenarios for the future of partnerships in EID and AMR.
- To generate excitement in creating effective partnerships for a safer world by imagining alternate futures based on Futures techniques. It is envisioned that the novelty of the technique will add to the richness of PMAC and to bring in cross-disciplinary approaches into a Public Health conference.
- To get participants to think creatively in an out-of-the-box manner on working collaboratively together to build greater biosecurity for all.



Moderator

Sohail Inayatullah

Professor

UNESCO CHAIR, TAMKANG, USIM, UNIVERSITY OF MELBOURNE, THE
UNIVERSITY OF THE SUNSHINE COAST

Australia

Professor Sohail Inayatullah is the first Unesco Chair in Futures Studies held at USIM, Malaysia. He is a political scientist/futurist at Tamkang University, Taiwan and the University of the Sunshine Coast. He is also an associate at Melbourne Business School, the University of Melbourne and is the Director of Metafuture.org, an international think-tank focused on creating alternative and preferred futures. Professor Inayatullah has authored/edited thirty books, journal special issues and cdroms and over 350 journal articles and book chapters as well contributed to the Oxford Encyclopedia of Peace, the Routledge Encyclopedia of Philosophy, The Macmillan Encyclopedia of the Future and the Unesco Encyclopedia of Life Support Systems.



Panelist

Marie-Paule Kiény

Director of Research

National Institute of Health and Medical Research (Inserm)
France

Since July 1st, 2017, Dr Marie-Paule Kiény is assuming a position of Director of Research at Institut national de la santé et de la recherche médicale (Inserm), Paris, France, where she assists the CEO in enhancing the Institute's international institutional collaborations. Dr Kiény was elected in 2017 as Chair of the Board for two prominent global health initiatives: the Medicines Patent Pool Foundation (MPPF), which aims at increasing access to HIV, viral hepatitis C and tuberculosis treatments in low- and middle-income countries, and the Drugs for Neglected Diseases' Initiative (DNDi), a collaborative, patients' needs-driven, non-profit drug research and development (R&D) organization that is developing new treatments for neglected diseases. She is also a member of the Board of the Human Vaccine Project (USA) and of bioMérieux (France), a global actor in the world of in vitro diagnostics for the last 50 years. Between October 2010 and June 2017, Dr Kiény served as Assistant Director-General at the World Health Organization, with a broad portfolio covering Health Systems and Innovation. She oversaw a group of more than 400 staff, assisted by a group of 9 directors, with a budget of over US\$ 115 million per year, and strived in particular towards the vision of a world where every child, man and woman can afford and has access to the quality essential medicines, vaccines and diagnostics they need to lead a healthy and productive life.



Panelist

Mark Smolinski

President

Ending Pandemics
United States of America

Mark Smolinski, MD, MPH brings 25 years of experience in applying innovative solutions to improve disease prevention, response, and control across the globe. Mark is leading a well-knit team—bringing together technologists; human, animal, and environmental health experts; and key community stakeholders to co-create tools for early detection, advanced warning, and prevention of pandemic threats. Community health workers, village volunteers, farmers, and interested public citizens in Albania, Brazil, Cambodia, Europe, Laos, Myanmar, Tanzania, Thailand, and the United States are among those using their own solutions to address pressing local needs. Since 2009, Mark has served as the Chief Medical Officer and Director of Global Health at the Skoll Global Threats Fund (SGTF), where he developed the Ending Pandemics in Our Lifetime Initiative in 2012. His work at SGTF created a solid foundation for the work of Ending Pandemics, which branched out as an independent entity on January 1, 2018. Prior to SGTF, Mark developed the Predict and Prevent Initiative at Google.org, as part of the starting team at Google’s philanthropic arm. Working with a team of engineers, Google Flu Trends (a project that had tremendous impact on the use of big data for disease surveillance) was created in partnership with the U.S. Centers for Disease Control. Mark has served as Vice President for Biological Programs at the Nuclear Threat Initiative, a public charity directed by CNN founder Ted Turner and former U.S. Senator Sam Nunn. Before NTI, he led an 18-member expert committee of the National Academy of Medicine on the 2003 landmark report “Microbial Threats to Health: Emergence, Detection, and Response.” Mark served as the sixth Luther Terry Fellow in Washington, D.C., in the Office of the U.S. Surgeon General and as an Epidemic Intelligence Officer with the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.



Panelist

Osman Dar

Project Director, One Health Project

Centre on Global Health Security, London
United Kingdom

Osman A Dar is a fellow of the Royal College of Physicians (Edinburgh) and a fellow of the Faculty of Public Health at the Royal College of Physicians (London). At Chatham House, he is director of the Centre on Global Health Security's One Health project, an umbrella term referring to the Centre's work on zoonotic emerging infections, ecological approaches to disease control, antimicrobial resistance, sustainable livestock development and food security. In addition, Osman leads work on health system strengthening by creating partnerships between the public and private sectors to improve the prevention of, preparedness for, and response to public health emergencies. Osman is also a consultant in global public health at Public Health England (PHE) where he is a technical lead on a programme that supports low income countries build core capacities and implement their commitments under the international health regulations through the development of strengthened national public health institutes.



Panelist

Sania Nishtar

Co-Chair/President

WHO NCD Global Commission/Heartfile
Pakistan

Dr. Sania Nishtar, SI, FRCP, PhD Dr. Sania Nishtar is a physician, former federal minister of the government of Pakistan, civil society leader, author and internationally renowned global health expert. She graduated from medical school in 1986 with 16 distinctions, setting a college record. She holds a Fellowship of the Royal College of Physicians of London and a Ph.D., from Kings College, London. Sania is the founder of Heartfile, a Pakistan-based NGO. She currently co-chairs the WHO Commission on NCDs along with the President of Uruguay. She is also the co-chair of the U.S National Academy of Sciences Global Study on the Quality of Healthcare and the Chairs the World Economic Forum's Global Future Council on Health. Earlier she was founding Chair of the UN Secretary General's Independent Accountability Panel for the Global Strategy on Women's and Children's health and has also served previously as Chair of the WHO Commission on Ending Childhood Obesity. She is a regular keynote speaker at international meetings. Earlier this year, Dr. Nishtar was in the running for Director-General of the World Health Organization, and was in the shortlisted three. As a Federal Minister, she set a new standard in transparency and accountability by publishing her handover papers. During her term, she was instrumental in re-establishing Pakistan's Ministry of Health. Due to her independent stance, she is often asked to chair national commissions, public sector boards, restructuring committees, and reform task forces in the country. She actively advocates for transparency, integrity and accountability and was the featured personality on anti-corruption day in 2013 by the Asian Development Bank. She is an acclaimed author with 6 books and more than 200 articles. Her books are used as post-graduate text books and have been the subject of documentaries by an award-winning filmmaker. Sania Nishtar is the recipient of many national and international awards, including Sitara-i-Imtiaz, the Global Innovation Award and the Population Science Award.

