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**Forum on Health and Nutrition
UGANDA NATIONAL ACADEMY OF SCIENCES
(UNAS)**

Malaria Control and Prevention: Strategies and Policy Issues

September 27th and 28th 2006

Speke Resort and Conference Centre
Munyonyo, Kampala

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Meeting Objective:

To elucidate the issues in malaria prevention and control of great importance to Uganda and other parts of Africa that lead to questions or bring to light polarizing issues that have prevented direct action from policymakers because of apparently conflicting information which may or may not be based on factual evidence.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 2006

- 8:00 – 9:00: **Registration of Participants**
- 9:00 – 9:20: **Welcome and Opening Remarks**
Prof Paul E Mugambi, President, Uganda National Academy of Sciences

Dr Edward K Kirumira, Dean Faculty of Social Sciences, Makerere University, Uganda; Chair, UNAS Forum on Health and Nutrition
- 9:20 – 9:30: **Self-Introductions of Forum Members**
- 09:30 – 10:00: **Keynote Presentation(s)**
Invited - 15min

Steven Browning, US Ambassador to Uganda – **15min CONFIRMED (SCHEDULE PERMITTING)**

Session I: Overview of Malaria in Uganda (10am-11am)

Session Objective: To gain an understanding of the current status (burden and coverage), challenges, issues and policies about malaria in Uganda that sets the foundation for the remainder of the conference presentations

Moderator: TBD – Bob Snow, Malaria Public Health & Epidemiology Group **CONFIRMED**

- 10:00 – 10:20: Overview of Malaria in Uganda: Challenges of malaria prevention and control
Dr. Ambrose Talisuna, Assistant Commissioner, Epidemiological Surveillance, MOH
CONFIRMED
- 10:20 – 10:30: Discussion – 10 min

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- 10:30 – 10:50: Uganda policies and strategies for malaria prevention and control
John Rwakimari, head of Uganda’s Malaria Control Programme **CONFIRMED**
- 10:50 – 11:00: Discussion – 10 min
- 11:00 - 11:30 BREAK – 30 min**

Session II: Anti-Malaria Drugs and Management in Uganda (11:30am-1:15pm)

Session Objective: To bring to light unresolved issues and controversies related to antimalarial drugs, drug resistance and traditional healing through elucidation of what is known and unknown.

Moderator: TBD - James Tibenderana, Malaria Consortium - **CONFIRMED**

- 11:30 – 11:50: Monitoring of drug resistance patterns in Uganda
Dr. Moses Kanya, Makerere University Mulago Hospital Dept. of Medicine
CONFIRMED
- 11:50 – 11:55: 1 Moderator or Forum Member comment – 3to5min
- 11:55 – 12:15: Quality of drugs /counterfeits on the Ugandan market
Deus Mubangizi, chief drug inspector, National Drug Authority **CONFIRMED**
- 12:15 – 12:20: 1 Moderator or Forum Member comment – 3to5min
- 12:20 – 12:40: The Role of Traditional medicine in malaria prevention and control
Dr Grace Nambatya, Natural Chemotherapeutics Research Lab, MoH - **CONFIRMED**
- 12:40 – 12:45: 1 Moderator or Forum Member comment – 3to5min
- 12:45 – 13: 15: Panel Discussion
Presenter 1
Presenter 2
Presenter 3
- 13:15 – 14:30: LUNCH BREAK**

Session III: Vector Control Measures Against Malaria (2:30pm-4:45pm)

Session Objectives: To provide stakeholders with the facts of what is currently known about vector control measures that would establish the framework for developing sound policies that address potentially contentious issues

Moderator: **TBD**

- 14:30 – 14:55: Strategies and challenges of environmental management of malaria
Dissanayake Gunawardena, Malaria Control Specialist/IRS Program Manager
RTI International, Bukoto, Kampala (currently involved with IRS spraying in the Kabali district) **CONFIRMED**
- 14:55– 15:00: 1 Moderator or Forum Member comment – 3to5min

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- 15:00 – 15:25: Role of IRS and ITNs
Kate Kolaczinski, Malaria Consortium **CONFIRMED**
- 15:25 – 15:30: 1 Moderator or Forum Member comment – 3to5min
- 15:30 – 16:00: Benefits/Risks of endorsing (or not endorsing) a DDT policy for malaria control
- Against a DDT policy – Dr Steven Nyanzi, Head of Chemistry Department, Makerere University – **CONFIRMED**
 - For a DDT policy– Prof. Bimenya, Department of Pathology, Makerere University **CONFIRMED**
- 16:00 – 16:05: 1 Moderator or Forum Member comment – 3to5min
- 16:05 – 16:45 Panel Discussion
Presenter 1
Presenter 2
Presenter 3
Presenter 4
- 1645: Adjourn
- 17:00 - 19:00: Cocktail Reception**

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 2006

- 8:00 – 8:30: Registration
- 8:30 – 8:45: Opening Remarks
[Forum Chair]

Session IV: Community Engagement in Malaria Control and Prevention in Uganda (8:45-11:30)

Session objective: To bring to light issues of concern at the community level and to assist government in the development of appropriate community policies based on advice from experts working in and conducting research on community health in Uganda

Moderator: **TBD**

- 8:45-9:05: Malaria control in internally displaced persons (IDP) camps in northern Uganda
Simon Muchuro, Malaria Consortium- **CONFIRMED**
- 9:05-9:10: 1 Moderator or Forum Member comment – 3to5min
- 9:10-9:30: Community empowerment through education and training
Jesca Nsungwa-Sabiiti, Makerere University and Ministry of Health - **CONFIRMED**
- 9:30-9:35: 1 Moderator or Forum Member comment – 3to5min

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- 9:35-9:55: Role of training and capacity building in improving local management to bridge the gap between treatment and prevention
Gisela Schneider, Head of Training Department, Infectious Disease Institute, Makerere University – **CONFIRMED**
- 9:55-10:00: 1 Moderator or Forum Member comment – 3to5min
- 10:00-10:30: Panel Discussion
Presenter 1
Presenter 2
Presenter 3
- 10:30-11:00: Coffee and Tea Break

Session V: Cost-effective Malaria Prevention and Control (11:00-12:45)

Session objective: To receive expert opinion on the feasibility of financing a comprehensive, nation-wide malaria prevention and control program in Uganda and to deliberate how best to allocate limited resources to achieve the maximum benefits

Moderator: **TBD**

- 11:00 – 11:20: Financing malaria control
Charlotte Muheki Zikusooka, Health-Net Consult **CONFIRMED**
- 11:20 – 11:25 1 Moderator or Forum Member comment – 3to5min
- 11:25 – 11:45 Combination therapy: A sustainable option?
TBD
- 11:45 – 11:50 1 Moderator or Forum Member comment – 3to5min
- 11:50 – 12:10 Malaria coverage for all: Is money the only issue?
TBD - invited
- 12:10 – 12:15 1 Moderator or Forum Member comment – 3to5min
- 12:45-13:45: LUNCH BREAK**

Session VI: What Next? (1:45pm-3:20pm)

Objectives: (1) To explain how UNAS plans to use the information gathered at this Forum Workshop: Based on the questions and controversies brought to light by the speakers through their presentations, the UNAS Executive Council - in consultation with the UNAS Forum - will select one issue that was raised during the workshop to become the focal point of intensive research and review by a diverse committee of experts. (2) To provide time for all invited participants to voice their thoughts regarding a needed issue in malaria control and prevention for intensive review.

- 13:45 – 14:05: Consensus Studies: making recommendations through a committee of experts
Patrick Kelley, US National Academies - **CONFIRMED**

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14:05 – 15:00: Open Discussion
Moderator: Edward Kirumira, Forum Chair

15:00 – 15:20: The Way Forward
Speciosa Kazibwe, Former Vice president of Uganda - **CONFIRMED**

1520 Meeting Adjourn

CLOSED MEETING FOR FORUM MEMBERS and EXECUTIVE COUNCIL ONLY

15:30 – 16:30: **Next Steps**

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