

MSF Satellite Session at IAS 2009 - Sunday 19 July, 17:00-19:00

## **The Emergency Is Not Over: Access to Treatment and the Challenges of Long-Term Survival on Antiretrovirals**

Over the past decade, due to global public pressure, an estimated three million people have been initiated on antiretroviral treatment (ART). While this represents considerable progress, seven million people are still waiting for first line ART. At the same time, a growing number of people who have been able to access ART are starting to reach the limits of their current treatment. This satellite will explore what it will take to ensure long-term survival on ART in resource-limited settings, as well as the major threats towards realising this goal.

Chair: Dr. Alexandra Calmy, Switzerland

- *Programmatic challenges to improving first line, access to viral load and managing treatment failure*; Dr. Gilles Van Cutsem, MSF South Africa
- *Perspectives for new antiretrovirals in resource-limited settings*; Dr. Bernard Hirschel, Geneva University Hospital, Switzerland
- *Current and future access to viral load testing in resource-limited settings*; Maurine Murtagh, Clinton Foundation, U.S.
- *Overcoming patent barriers to improve access to new antiretroviral formulations and combinations*; Ellen 't Hoen, UNITAID, Switzerland
- *Simply extending our lives for a few years is not enough*; N.N.
- *How can governments ensure access to more robust first line, alternative regimens and improve monitoring tools in times of economic crisis?*; Dr. François Venter, Southern African HIV Clinicians Society, South Africa

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