

THE MIC TRAP

Panel Discussion Hosted By AHF

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9AM - 10:30AM
Second Floor, Room I2-220
World Bank I Building
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Join us to discuss whether transition to Middle-Income Status (MIC), in the context of public health, is a sign of progress or a trap for countries that were recently defined as low-income. The panel will offer diverse perspectives and ground-level examples on what MIC status means for access to international assistance and essential medicines in countries heavily impacted with HIV, tuberculosis and malaria.

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MODERATOR

Denys Nazarov, Associate Director of Global Policy, AHF

Denys Nazarov is based in Los Angeles, where he leads AIDS Healthcare Foundation's global policy research projects. He has been with AHF for over seven years. He also serves as a liaison for AHF's programs in Eastern Europe, due to his Ukrainian background. Nazarov holds a Bachelor's and Master's degrees in journalism from California State University, Northridge.

SPEAKERS

Ana Filipovsky, General Secretary, Global Fund Country Coordinating Mechanism, Macedonia

Ana Filipovska serves as the General Secretary of the Global Fund Country Coordinating Mechanism in Macedonia. She has over seven years of experience running projects focused on human development, economic cohesion and social dialogue. She holds a Master's degree in Human Development from the University of Florence.

Dr. Kevin Harvey, Caribbean Regional Director, AHF

Prior to joining AHF as the Caribbean Regional Director, Dr. Harvey held the position of Permanent Secretary at the Jamaican Ministry of Health. During his tenure of nearly 20 years with the Ministry, he was instrumental in achieving the elimination of Mother to Child Transmission of HIV and AIDS and building up Jamaica's ART program.

John Hassell, Washington DC Regional Director, AHF

John Hassell is the regional director at AIDS Healthcare Foundation in Washington, D.C. He formerly served as senior adviser for UNAIDS in Trinidad and Tobago, and director of its Washington office. A graduate of the College of William and Mary, he attended Wesley Theological Seminary and San Jose State University.

Sharonann Lynch, HIV and TB Policy Advisor, MSF

Sharonann Lynch is HIV and TB Policy Advisor at MSF. She has been with the organization since 2006. For over 20 years Lynch has worked on advocacy related to access to HIV/AIDS treatment and other essential medicines, intellectual property, drug pricing and donor funding, as well as program implementation and operational research focusing on models of HIV care.

Pauline Pruvost, Advocacy Officer, Global Health Advocates, France

Pauline is the Advocacy Officer at Global Health Advocates France. GHA works in France and with the EU institutions to increase political and financial support for development and the fight against poverty. GHA France is a founding member of ACTION, a partnership of 12 locally-rooted organizations around the world. She is assessing in countries the impact of withdrawal of multiple donors in the same time frame on financing and governance of the health sector.

Dr. David Wilson, Global AIDS Program Director, The World Bank

David Wilson is the World Bank's Global AIDS Program Director and was previously its Lead HIV Specialist. For over 25 years he has worked as a scientist and program manager around the world and has been extensively published in scientific journals. He has served as technical consultant and adviser to USAID, DFID, EU, AUSAID, SIDA, NORAD, UNAIDS, UNICEF and WHO.