International Conference
'Combating Counterfeit Drugs: Building Effective International Collaboration'

Palazzo Brancaccio, via del Monte Oppio 7
Rome, Italy 16-18 February 2006

FINAL PROGRAMME

16 February 2006

8.00 - 9.00  Registration of participants and distribution of conference documents

9.00 - 9.05  Welcome
Dr N. Martini, Director General, AIFA

9.05 - 9.10  Opening address
H.E. Mr Francesco Storace, Minister of Health, Italy

9.10 - 9.15  Opening address
Dr Howard Zucker, Assistant Director-General, WHO

9.20 - 9.30  Organizational arrangements, adoption of the agenda and method of work
Dr S. Vella, Istituto Superiore di Sanità

9.30 - 10.00 Introduction: purpose of the conference and expected outcome
Dr H. Zucker, Assistant Director-General, WHO

10.00 - 10.20  Introduction: the views of pharmaceutical manufacturers
Dr Harvey Bale, IFPMA

10.20-10.50 Coffee/Tea Break

10.50 - 11.00 The views and role of patients IAPO
Joanna Harkness, Policy & External Affairs Director, International Alliance of Patients' Organizations

11.00 - 11.15 The views and role of health professionals
Joint statement by the World Health Professionals Alliance (World Medical Association (WMA), International Pharmaceutical Federation (FIP), International Council of Nurses (ICN))
11.15 - 11.25 The views and role of wholesalers
Joint statement by the International Federation of Pharmaceutical Wholesalers (IFPW) and the European Association of Pharmaceutical Wholesalers (GIRP)

11.25 - 11.35 International Legal Framework, the role of WTO
Mr Roger Kampf, Counsellor, Intellectual Property Division, World Trade Organization

11.35 - 11.45 International Cooperation and Coordination: the role of WIPO
Ms Louise van Greunen, Deputy Director: Enforcement, World Intellectual Property Organization

11.45 - 11.55 The views and role of Interpol
Speaker to be announced, Interpol

11.55 - 12.05 The views and role of WCO
Mr Massimiliano Caruso, Technical Attaché, World Customs Organization

12.05 - 12.45 General discussion

12.45 - 14.00 Lunch Break

14.00 - 15.20 Experience from the field: views from selected countries

15.20 - 15.25 Introduction to discussion groups
Dr S. Vella, Istituto Superiore di Sanità

15.30 - 15.50 Coffee/Tea Break

15.50 - 17.45 Discussion groups
Participants split into 6 discussion groups.

AIFA, the Italian Medicines Agency, invites all participants to a dinner which will take place at Palazzo Rospigliosi, via XXIV Maggio 43, Rome, which is a 10-minute walk from the venue of the Conference or the nearby hotels. A map will be provided to participants. A hostess will meet participants at the two hotels at 19.00 hours and walk them to Palazzo Rospigliosi.
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8.45 - 10.30  Discussion groups

10.30 - 11.00  Coffee/Tea Break

11.00 - 12.30  Discussion groups

12.30 - 14.00  Lunch Break

14.00 - 15.30  Presentation of conclusions by the Moderators of the Discussion Groups
  Chair: Professor Vittorio Silano, Ministry of Health, Italy
  General Discussion

15.30 - 16.00  Coffee/Tea Break

16.00 - 18.00  Drafting recommendations and plan of action

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9.00 - 10.30  Adoption of recommendations
  Adoption of plan of action
  Chair: Professor Vittorio Silano, Ministry of Health, Italy

10.30 - 11.00  Coffee/Tea Break

11.00 - 12.00  Closing ceremony
  Professor Vittorio Silano, Ministry of Health, Italy
  Dr Nello Martini, Director General, AIFA

12.30 - 14.00  Farewell cocktail