

# Panel Discussion

Global Health & Development

Wednesday 1st December 2010

5.30pm – 6.45pm

## Doctors of the World

**Name of Speaker:** Andrew Cavey

**Position within the Company:** Trustee

### Short Biography:

Andrew Cavey is a strategy consultant with a focus on the pharmaceutical and global public health sectors.

His field experience began as a physician when he gained early clinical and research experience in Vietnam and along the Thai-Burmese border. His interest in humanitarian medicine grew initially whilst working with Doctors of the World in Liberia and post-tsunami in Northern Sri Lanka, and later whilst acting as public health coordinator for Mississippi in the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina. He developed his passion for human rights, whilst working as a consultant for Physicians for Human Rights, where he looked at the rights of people living with HIV/AIDS in Uganda.

Andrew is an honorary lecturer at University College London, where he has taught on Conflict, Migration and Human Rights. He is currently co-editing a textbook for Oxford University Press on Humanitarian Medicine.

He holds a medical degree from Oxford University and a Masters in Public Health from Harvard. He has a certificate in humanitarian studies from MIT, Harvard and Tufts and is a member of the Royal College of Physicians.

## John Snow, Inc

**Name of Speaker:** Ariella Bock

**Position within the Company:** Monitoring & Evaluation Technical Advisor

### Short Biography:

Ariella Bock has worked in the international public health field for the past nine years, primarily focused on HIV and AIDS and reproductive health issues. In 2003, while living in Washington, DC, she began working on a USAID-funded project providing technical assistance in monitoring and evaluation to USAID missions in Africa and Asia. Over the course of three years, Ariella was promoted from an entry level position, as a project assistant, to program manager. From 2006 to 2007, she attended LSHTM. Following LSHTM, Ariella lived in Uganda for a year, initially volunteering for a local HIV/AIDS organization (UNASO) and then working as research analyst/study coordinator on two baseline studies (one of which was being carried out by LSHTM). Upon returning to Washington, DC in the fall of 2008, she joined JSI as an M&E Advisor for the Making Medical Injection Safer (MMIS) Project and has just recently moved to The USAID|DELIVER Project.

## **LSHTM**

**Name of Speaker:** Dame Claire Bertschinger

**Position within the Company:** Lecturer & Course Director

### **Short Biography:**

Claire is the Course Director for the Diploma in Tropical Nursing and remains passionately committed to issues in the developing world. She is a trustee for the African Children's Educational Trust ([www.a-cet.org](http://www.a-cet.org)) and Patron for Promise Nepal ([www.promisenepal.org.uk](http://www.promisenepal.org.uk)) travelling world-wide raising awareness and funds for charity. She is also a regular voluntary worker with Age UK ([www.ageuk.org.uk](http://www.ageuk.org.uk)). She is contracted part time here at the school. She also gives motivational talks based on her life experiences with the aim of inspiring people to create value and make a difference to our planet. ([www.jla.co.uk](http://www.jla.co.uk))

Following on from a successful nursing career in the UK, Claire's first post abroad was as a medic for the Scientific Exploration Society in Panama Papua New Guinea and Sulawesi. She went on to accumulate vast experience from many years working in emergency disaster relief, primarily in war zones, with the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC). She has worked in over a dozen countries including Afghanistan, Kenya, Lebanon, Sudan, Sierra Leone, Ivory Coast and Liberia. Prior to joining the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine Claire worked as training officer in the Health Division of ICRC Geneva. She was awarded the Florence Nightingale Medal in recognition of her work in conflict situations, gained a Masters in Medical Anthropology, and has published her biography *Moving Mountains* (Transworld, 2005) to critical acclaim. She has subsequently received Woman of the Year, Window to the World award, Human Rights and Nursing Award, and an honorary Doctorate from Brunel, De Montfort, and Robert Gordon University's.

Claire was made a Dame Commander by the Queen in the 2009 New Year Honours List.

## **MSF / Epicentre**

**Name of Speaker:** Francesco Checchi

**Position within the Company:** Epidemiologist

### **Short Biography:**

I am an epidemiologist working part-time at LSHTM and part-time at Epicentre, the epidemiology unit of Médecins Sans Frontières. Previously I have worked for MSF and WHO and consulted for a number of other agencies.

My general area of work is infectious disease surveillance and control in crisis-affected populations, and in the past I have focussed specifically on malaria, African sleeping sickness, TB, pneumonia, cholera and malnutrition. I also do research on mortality estimation in emergencies, and on survey and surveillance methods in difficult settings.

I have previously done fieldwork in Kosovo, Liberia, Uganda, Sudan, Angola, Thailand, Sierra Leone, Burundi, Nepal, Afghanistan, Malawi, Zimbabwe and the Central African Republic.

## **LSHTM**

**Name of Speaker:** Natasha Howard

**Position within the Company:** Research Fellow

### **Short Biography:**

Before beginning a research degree at the London School in 2005, Natasha was reproductive health technical officer for WHO country office in Myanmar and focusing on initiatives in making pregnancy safer, newborn care, and malaria in pregnancy. In 2003, she worked on malaria in pregnancy research with HealthNet Int'l in Afghanistan.

Prior to this, Natasha set up a malaria control programme for Population Services International (PSI) in Myanmar, conducting vector, socio-economic research and marketing research and developing pre-packaged malaria diagnostic kits and mefloquine-artesunate treatment packs for use by private general practitioners. She originally trained in international development and completed an MSc in Public Health in Developing Countries at LSHTM in 2000.

## **Health Poverty Action**

**Name of Speaker:** Nicole Tobin

**Position within the Company:** Head of Africa Programmes

### **Short Biography:**

Nicole joined Health Poverty Action in January 2009 from CARE UK where she was the acting Africa regional manager. Nicole has worked at Options Consultancy Ltd managing their Nigeria programmes, on the donor side at USAID in Ghana, at a local NGO called Ghana Cooperatives Credit Unions Association, at the Canadian AIDS Society in Canada and at CIDA. She is from Canada, and has lived and worked in Africa and the UK since 2000.

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