

**Masanori Honjo Memorial**  
**HISF 20th Anniversary International Symposium**  
**Asia-Africa Public Health Forum**

*"Common dilemmas with shared innovations for a sustainable public health"*

**Purpose of this Forum**

Over the past 20 years the relations between Asians and Africans have multiplied, starting with flourishing trade and Asian investments in Africa; along with educational support from major Asian countries like Japan to Africans studying in Asia in fields such as medicine, science, agriculture, business, information technology and engineering to name a few.

Against the backdrop of these interactions is a public health situation that is not all that different between Asians and Africans; however, with a number of Asian countries, including Japan that have made great strides in their health sector, it goes without saying that these public health successes could serve as a practical model for both African and Emerging Asian countries. The purpose of this forum is to empower HISF scholars to work towards their future goals and to contribute to their home countries; by sincere thoughtful discussions of innovative and practical ways to improve public health for their people. There is a lot to learn from either side, such as public health problems to be solved in Africa and Emerging Asian countries. There are also tools from successful Asian countries that could readily be applied in Africa and Emerging Asian countries to improve public health without major modifications. The forum will therefore highlight three themes Including: 1) "priority public health problems and dilemmas in Asia and Africa" to look at common public health problems and how they impacted both communities; 2)"Innovative approaches to public health in Asia and Africa" focuses on innovative approaches used by successful Asian countries to remedy public health problems; and 3)"Sustainable public health business development solutions for Asia and Africa" will emphasize opportunities for both external and internal business models that can be put in place for a sustainable public health system.

The ultimate goal of the forum is to steer away from the traditional handout aid approach, and to challenge HISF scholars to innovate with entrepreneurial ideas to pursue a sustainable solution to public health problems; by creating new opportunities as well as yielding returns for all stakeholders involved.

**Date:**

Sunday, August 20, 2017 (Day 2) 13:00~15:00

**Organizer:**

Dr. Douglas Osei-Hyiaman (National Institute of Health, USA)

**Speakers:**

Dr. Gopi Aryal (Patan Academy of Health Science, Nepal)

Dr. Lena Bosu (Astellas Pharma)

Dr. Syed Emdadul Haque (Uchicago Research Bangladesh)

Dr. Oduori Sylvanus Okechi (Kobe University, Major in Biochemistry and Molecular Biology)

Mr. Aduayom-Ahego Akouetevi (Niigata University of Health and Welfare, Major in Health and Welfare)

Dr. Jazag Amarsanaa (the former Vice Minister of Health, City council in Ulaanbaatar)

**Time table**

13:00 introduction to **"Asia-Africa Public Health Forum"**

Douglas Osei-Hyiaman, MD, PhD

*National Institute of Health, USA*

13:05 Presentation 1 (15 min talk)

**"Borderline Tuberculoid Leprosy, Lupus Vulgaris and Pulmonary Tuberculosis: A rare association"**

Aryal Gopi, MD, PhD

*Department of Pathology and laboratory medicine, Patan Academy of Health Science, Lagankhel, Lalitpur, Nepal*

13:20 Presentation 2 (15 min talk)

**"Non-Communicable diseases in Asia: the number 1 killer and a big threat in the public health"**

Syed Emdadul Haque, PhD

*UChicago Research Bangladesh, Bangladesh*

13:35 Presentation 3 (15 min talk)

**"Prosthetics and orthotics rehabilitation services in Africa: strategic plans for sustainable development"**

Akouetevi Aduayom-Ahego

*Graduate School of Health and Welfare; Niigata University of Health and Welfare*

13:50 Presentation 4 (15 min talk)

**"Beyond the Pills~Introducing the New Era of Regenerative Medicine~"**

Lena Rani Kundu, PhD

*Astellas Pharma*

14:05 Presentation 5 (15 min talk)

**"Non-communicable diseases in developing countries: Potential innovative business oriented solutions in Africa."**

Oduori S. Okechi, MD

*Kobe University Graduate School of Medicine*

14:20 Presentation 6 (15 min talk)

**"Innovative approaches to public health in Asia and Africa"**

Jazag Amarsanaa, MD, PhD

*Chairman of board, Manba-Datsan School of Medicine*

*Former Vice-Minister of Health, Mongolia*

14:35 'Big talk' among the presenters & audiences (15 mins)

14:55 Summary