



THE DIAGNOSTICS ACCESS INITIATIVE

SYMPOSIUM 8

DATE: Tuesday, 2 December

TIME: 14:45 – 16:15

Co-Conveners:

Badara Samb, UNAIDS Switzerland

Meg Doherty, WHO Switzerland

Souleymane Mboup, Cheikh Anta Diop University, Senegal

Speakers:

Badara Samb, UNAIDS Switzerland

Jessica Markby, WHO Switzerland

John Nkengasong, International Laboratory Branch, CDC USA

Discussants:

Chewe Luo, UNICEF; **Tsehaynesh Messele**, ASLM; **Renuka Gadde**, Becton Dickinson;

Tom Chiller, US CDC; **Zachary Katz**, CHAI; **Philip Onyebujoh**, WHO; **Duncan Blair**, Alere;

Sagie Pillay, South Africa

UNAIDS recently announced the **90-90-90** goals to end the AIDS epidemic by 2030. Access to quality-assured diagnostics is central to achieving these goals. Presently only 50% of HIV-infected individuals know their status; about 35% of those have access to clinical monitoring tests; and only about 25% have the capability to test for viral load.

Outcome:

This panel will outline the mission, goals, and structure of the Initiative, as well as provide an update on its priorities and progress to date.