

Global Challenges

Seminar

Advancing A New Generation of Products
to Combat Neglected Tropical Diseases

Speaker: Dr. Peter Hotez
Discussant: Dr. Remko van Leeuwen

October 29, 2015,
from 10h45-12h00
at the WIPO Headquarters,
New Building, Room NB 0.107,
Geneva



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Sharing Innovation
in the Fight Against
Neglected Tropical Diseases

WIPO Re:Search – *Sharing Innovation in the Fight Against Neglected Tropical Diseases (NTDs)* is a multi-stakeholder platform that catalyzes new research for NTDs and facilitates capacity building in developing countries. The persistence of many of these diseases and their disproportionate impact on the world's poorest populations has been a focus of the work of Dr. Peter Hotez, President, Sabin Vaccine Institute, an original Member of WIPO Re:Search. He will address the impact of these diseases, the urgent need for more and better therapies, and how initiatives such as WIPO Re:Search contribute to sustainable solutions.

Speakers

Dr. Peter Hotez is an internationally recognized researcher in the field of neglected tropical diseases (NTDs). He leads the only product development partnership for new vaccines for hookworm infection, schistosomiasis, and Chagas disease. Dr. Hotez is the President of the Sabin Vaccine Institute (USA) and the Founding Dean of the National School of Tropical Medicine and Professor of Pediatrics and Molecular Virology & Microbiology at Baylor College of Medicine (USA).

Dr. Remko van Leeuwen is founder and CEO of several start-up companies in biotechnology. His focus is on infectious diseases and poverty related diseases. He is the Project Director of the HOOKVAC Consortium at the Amsterdam Institute for Global Health and Development (AIGHD) in the Netherlands.

Program

10h45-10.50

Introductory Remarks

Dr. Anatole Krattiger,
Director, Global Challenges Division,
Global Issues Sector, WIPO

10h50-11h20

Keynote speech: Advancing a New Generation of Products to Combat Neglected Tropical Diseases

Dr. Peter Hotez,
President, Sabin Vaccine Institute

11h20-11h35

Discussant:

Dr. Remko van Leeuwen,
Director of Acquisition, Amsterdam
Institute for Global Health and
Development and Department of Global
Health, Academic Medical Center,
University of Amsterdam

11h35-12h00

Open discussion

The Seminar will be held in English. It is open to the public interested in the subject as well as professionals working in this area. Please register at: www.wipo.int/meetings/en/registration/form.jsp?meeting_id=38283