

## SY H. Human rights and the gender landscape in TB programmes

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Type of session	Symposium
Track	Civil society / patient & community engagement
Track2 (optional)	Patient-centred care
Description	A gender and human rights (HR)-based approach to TB prevention, treatment and care includes addressing the legal, structural and social barriers to quality TB prevention, diagnosis, treatment and care services. However, even local TB advocates might not recognise the relevance of these issues, let alone TB programmes, which often treat TB without regard to concerns of gender and HR. This symposium will look into the HR and gender landscape in TB programmes, offer ways that these concepts can be made locally relevant and present challenges and solutions.
Target audience	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. National TB programmes, technical partners, donors, community-based organisations</li> <li>2. civil society organisations (CSOs), key affected populations, (former-) TB patients and activists, networks</li> <li>3. international organisations, freelance consultants</li> </ol>
Objectives	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Share success stories of policy advocacy in the areas of HR and gender</li> <li>2. Discuss ways to use the concepts of gender and HR to identify barriers to TB diagnosis and treatment</li> <li>3. Consider how gender/HR can be used to plan and monitor TB prevention and control using specific examples</li> <li>4. Discuss efforts to be made in TB response to overcome the health boundaries and work in partnerships</li> <li>5. Identify key research gaps that are critical for evidence-based advocacy</li> </ol>
Keywords	human rights; gender; policy influencing
Coordinator(s)	Nonna Turusbekova (Netherlands), Jonathan Stillo (USA)
Chair(s)	Doyle Heather (Switzerland), Prabha Mahesh (India)
Presentations	<p><b>10:30 - 10:45</b> Contribution of TB community activists to the policy change in TB in Brazil Ezio Tavora-Santos-Filho (Brazil)</p> <p><b>10:45 - 11:00</b> Human rights of women and girls with TB under international law Brian Citro (USA)</p> <p><b>11:00 - 11:15</b> Is there a right to meaningful involvement of people with TB? Timur Abdullaev (Uzbekistan)</p> <p><b>11:15 - 11:30</b> Title to be confirmed Prabha Mahesh (India)</p>