Type of session
Symposium

Track
Civil society / patient & community engagement

Description
Engagement of civil society is critical to meet the Sustainable Development Goals. Each year, World TB Day goes unrecognised in many jurisdictions throughout the world, and opportunities to raise awareness of/support for efforts to find, treat and prevent TB are lost. This symposium will provide insight into the potential for World TB Day activities to contribute to the fight against TB, and review examples successful and reproducible WTBD activities undertaken in variety of countries, with an aim to providing all participants with at least one activity they could do to recognise WTBD 2016.

Target audience
1. Any individual working in the field of TB, HIV or lung health

Objectives
1. To provide an overview of the benefits of recognising WTBD each year.
2. To promote the use of WTBD as a vehicle towards meeting the Sustainable Development Goals
3. To provide a range of examples of successful and reproducible WTBD activities

Keywords
World TB Day; World TB Day activities; Sustainable Development Goals

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Linette Mcelroy (Canada), Nash Dhalla (Canada)

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Presentations

12:15 - 12:25 Stop TB Partnership: why World TB Day is so important
Lucica Ditiu (Switzerland)

12:25 - 12:35 World TB Day events in the United States of America
Wanda Walton (USA), Joan Mangan (USA)

12:35 - 12:45 World TB Day events in Canada
Linette Mcelroy (Canada), Nash Dhalla (Canada)

12:45 - 12:55 World TB events in South Africa
Wena Moelich (South Africa)

12:55 - 13:15 Engagement/energiser