

## 23. QMS implementation and accreditation of TB laboratories

Friday, 31 October 2014, 08:00 - 10:10



**Type** Symposium

**Track** TB Bacteriology and Immunology

**Topic** TB laboratories: quality management and TB laboratories' network

**Description** The improvement of the quality of services in public laboratories is actually high priority in many countries. The Stepwise Laboratory Improving Process Towards Accreditation (SLIPTA) framework, aimed at achieving the ISO 15189 standards, was implemented in Public Health laboratories in WHO regions, leading to laboratory accreditation and certification and promoting country ownership and sustainability of the laboratory Quality Management System (QMS). To compliment this framework targeting TB Lab networks, The Global Laboratory Initiative (GLI) has developed a QMS to guide TB laboratories.

**Target audience** The laboratorians interested in the implementation of innovative tools (SLMTA, GLI -QMS for quality management of TB laboratories.

**Objectives**

1. Share experiences in the process of accreditation of TB laboratories
2. Platform to showcase countries' experiences
3. Provide solutions to attendants
4. Accreditation and its pivotal role in strengthening TB treatment and control efforts

**Keywords** Quality Management System; accreditation; quality assurance.

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**Chair(s)**

**Presentations**

08:00 - 08:15 SLIPTA programme, SLMTA, and GLI TB tools complementarity in strengthening laboratory management system

08:15 - 08:30 SLMTA Programme: transforming the laboratory landscape in developing countries and customisation for TB laboratories

08:30 - 08:45 Implementation of quality management system towards accreditation: the SLIPTA experience

08:45 - 09:00 GLI/ QMS tool : updates and uptake

09:00 - 09:15 Practical issues and challenges in implementation QMS for TB laboratories in Central Asian Republics

09:15 - 09:30 Process of accreditation of TB laboratories in Kazakhstan

09:30 - 09:45 The road to achievement of ISO 15189 accreditation

09:45 - 10:00 Discussion