Event and Panel Discussion: The Challenge of Donor Coordination in Global Health – What's At Stake?

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BIOGRAPHIES

Jen Kates

Vice President and Director of Global Health & HIV Policy, Kaiser Family Foundation

Dr. Jennifer Kates is Vice President and Director of Global Health & HIV Policy at the Kaiser Family Foundation. She oversees the Foundation's policy analysis and research focused on the U.S. government's role in global health and on the global and domestic HIV epidemics. Widely regarded as an expert in the field, she regularly publishes and presents on global health and HIV policy issues and is particularly known for her work analyzing donor government investments in global health; assessing and mapping the U.S. government's global health architecture, programs, and funding; and tracking and analyzing major U.S. HIV programs and financing, and key trends in the HIV epidemic, an area she has been working in for twenty-five years. Prior to joining the Foundation in 1998, Dr. Kates was a Senior Associate with The Lewin Group, a health care consulting firm, where she focused on HIV policy, strategic planning/health systems analysis, and health care for vulnerable populations. Prior to that, she directed the Office of Lesbian, Gay, and Bisexual Concerns at Princeton University.

Dr. Kates serves on numerous federal and private sector advisory committees on global health and HIV/AIDS issues. Currently, she is a member of the CDC/HRSA Advisory Committee on HIV, Viral Hepatitis and STD Prevention and Treatment (CHACHSPT). She recently served on the Institute of Medicine's (IOM) Congressionally-mandated evaluation of the President's Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief (PEPFAR), and on two IOM study committees commissioned by the White House to inform the implementation of the National HIV/AIDS Strategy.

Dr. Kates received her Ph.D. in Health Policy from George Washington University, where she is also a lecturer. She holds a Bachelor's degree from Dartmouth College, a Master's degree in Public Affairs from Princeton University's Woodrow Wilson School of Public and International Affairs and a Master's degree in Political Science from the University of Massachusetts.

Matthew Kavanagh Senior Policy Analyst at Health Global Access Project

Matthew M. Kavanagh is senior policy analyst at Health Global Access Project and Mumford fellow at the University of Pennsylvania. His work sits at the intersection of global health, law, and political economy including research and advocacy on the role of global health, foreign aid and human rights actors in expanding access to essential medicines. He serves as a member of the UNAIDS Treatment Advisory Group and has testified or presented before bodies ranging from the U.N. Special Rapporteur for the Right to Health to various U.S. Congressional Committees and executive agencies. Matthew has spent the last dozen years leading transnational policy campaigns in the U.S. and working in Southern Africa, focused on access to HIV treatment, international trade, financial industry regulation, and water rights. His writing has appeared in The Lancet Global Health, Health Affairs, Foreign Policy in Focus, JAIDS, the Yale Journal of Law and Feminism, The Huffington Post, and other venues and he has been interviewed in outlets from the New York Times to Al Jazeera. Matthew received his BA from Vassar College and masters degree from Harvard University and is pursuing a PhD at the University of Pennsylvania.

Josh Michaud Associate Director, Global Health Policy, Kaiser Family Foundation

Josh Michaud is an Associate Director with the Global Health Policy team at the Kaiser Family Foundation, where he directs a variety of research projects. Dr. Michaud is an authority on the role of the Department of Defense in global health, innovative financing, and global health diplomacy, among other topics. He has published numerous articles and book chapters and teaches graduate-level courses as a Professorial Lecturer with the International Development department at the Johns Hopkins University School of Advanced International Studies (SAIS), in Washington D.C. He holds a Ph.D. in International Health Policy from Johns Hopkins SAIS, an M.A. in Applied Economics from Johns Hopkins University, and an M.H.S. in Epidemiology from the Johns Hopkins University Bloomberg School of Public Health.

Ariel Pablos-Méndez Assistant Administrator for Global Health at USAID

Dr. Ariel Pablos-Méndez is the Assistant Administrator for Global Health at USAID, a position he assumed in August 2011. Nominated by President Barack Obama in March 2011, Dr. Pablos-Méndez joined the USAID leadership team with a vision to shape the Bureau for Global Health's programmatic efforts to accomplish scalable, sustainable and measurable impact on the lives of people in developing countries as envisioned in the president's Global Health Initiative. In his capacity as assistant administrator for Global Health, he will focus his efforts to further advance the goals and reformatory recommendations expressed in the Presidential Policy Directives, Quadrennial Diplomacy and Development Review and USAID Forward. By fostering new working relationships and maintaining existing partnerships, Dr. Pablos-Méndez will direct the bureau's activities and approach toward a standard of technical excellence in implementation science.

Dr. Pablos-Méndez is an experienced public health physician who most recently served as managing director at the Rockefeller Foundation where he led its global health strategy on the transformation of health systems in Africa and Asia. He first joined the Rockefeller Foundation in 1998, spearheading public-private partnerships in research and development for diseases of poverty, the foundation's strategy on AIDS care in Africa, and the Joint Learning Initiative on Human Resources for Health. He also served as director of knowledge management at the World Health Organization (WHO) in Geneva, where he established WHO's first eHealth unit.

Dr. Pablos-Méndez is a board-certified internist and until recently was practicing as a professor of clinical medicine and epidemiology at Columbia University. He has served on various boards and international commissions, and received his M.D. from the University of Guadalajara's School of Medicine and his M.P.H. from Columbia University.

Shu-Shu Tekle-Haimanot Senior Specialist for Advocacy and Partnerships, The Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria

Shu-Shu Tekle-Haimanot is a Senior Specialist for Advocacy and Partnerships, serving in the Political Advocacy and Civil Society Department at the Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria in Geneva, Switzerland.

In this role, Ms. Tekle-Haimanot engages implementing countries' heads of state, first ladies, and ministers of health and finance to build partnerships in an effort to mobilize resources to support Global Fund funded programs. Her responsibilities focus on forging partnerships with multilateral institutions on joint advocacy; reaching out to emerging and non-traditional donors; and supporting civil society

resource mobilization, including domestic financing. She also serves as the Global Fund's focal person in the African Union, and works with AWA heads of state on advocacy and accountability.

Ms. Tekle-Haimanot has more than 17 years of country support experience in the African region's heath sector, and 14 years of experience in progressively responsible United Nations positions in the fields of health and development. Through a number of roles with the Global Fund, the World Health Organization, the United Nations Economic Commission for Africa, and the African Development Bank, Ms. Tekle-Haimanot has concentrated her work on the economics of health care, health system strengthening for HIV/AIDS, tuberculosis and malaria. She also has focused extensively on the design and implementation of a wide variety of reproductive health and HIV/AIDS projects in Africa, including in gender mainstreaming.

While earning an M.P.H. in international health from George Washington University, Ms. Tekle-Haimanot served as a research fellow with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention in Arlington, Va. She also graduated with a B.A. in economics and political science, cum laude, from Texas Lutheran College in Seguin, Texas.