UNITED TO END TUBERCULOSIS

PRIORITIES FOR THE UN HIGH-LEVEL MEETING ON TUBERCULOSIS

INVITATION
WEDNESDAY 23 MAY 2018 | 12.30 – 14.00

Join us at this World Health Assembly side event to discuss the high-impact strategies needed to close critical gaps in the global response to TB and how to maximise the High-Level Meeting as an historic opportunity to turn the tide against TB.

In 2016 10.4 million people were reported to have fallen ill with tuberculosis (TB) and 1.7 million people died from an infectious disease that is curable. According to new research, around a million children worldwide develop active TB and 239,000 die every year. TB is the world’s most common infectious disease killer. In response to this epidemic the first ever High-Level Meeting on TB will be convened by the President of the General Assembly in New York on 26 September 2018.

Chaired by Dr Kitty van Weezenbeek of KNCV Tuberculosis Foundation, an expert panel will discuss the challenges ahead, and The Union will launch a new report on the silent epidemic of child TB.

SPEAKERS INCLUDE:
- Dr Tereza Kasaeva, Director of the WHO Global TB Programme
- Joanne Carter, Executive Director, RESULTS and RESULTS Education Fund
- Stefan Peterson, UNICEF Chief of Health
- Dr Paula I Fujiwara, Scientific Director, The Union

LOCATION
Geneva Press Club,
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LUNCH
Lunch will be served from 12.30 prior to the start of the panel discussions at 13.00

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