ORGANIZING PARTNERS, SPONSORS AND SUPPORTERS

Convened by

[Logo: International AIDS Society]

Local Partners

[Logos of local partners]

International Partners

[Logos of international partners]

Major Industry Sponsors

[Logos of major industry sponsors]

With Support From

[Logos of support from entities]

Official Transport Agent

[Logo: DB Schenker]

Official Airline

[Logo: Star Alliance]
TABLE OF CONTENTS

2  Words of Welcome
3  Washington, D.C.
3  Key Dates
4  Theme
4  Overview
5  Conference Programme
6  Get Involved: Abstracts, Activities, Workshops and More
9  Programme Activities
9  Exhibitions, Satellites and Affiliated Independent Events
11  Sponsorship Opportunities
11  Scholarship Programme
13  Registration, Accommodation, Tours and Other Information
16  Social Responsibility

Special Session at AIDS 2010
WORDS OF WELCOME

Dear Colleagues,

The return of the International AIDS Conference to the United States in July 2012 represents a significant victory for public health and human rights. The selection of Washington, D.C. as the site for the XIX International AIDS Conference (AIDS 2012) is the result of years of dedicated advocacy to end the nation’s misguided entry restrictions on people living with HIV — restrictions that were based on fear, rather than science.

The biennial International AIDS Conference is the premier gathering for those working in the field of HIV, as well as policymakers, people living with HIV and others committed to ending the epidemic. It will be a tremendous opportunity for researchers from around the world to share the latest scientific advances in the field, learn from one another’s expertise, and develop strategies for advancing all facets of our collective efforts to treat and prevent HIV.

AIDS 2012 is expected to convene more than 20,000 delegates from nearly 200 countries, including more than 2,000 journalists. The conference will be held from 22 to 27 July 2012 at the Walter E. Washington Convention Center. The International AIDS Society, the world’s leading independent association of HIV professionals, with over 16,000 members in 196 countries, will organize AIDS 2012 in collaboration with our international and local partners.

We are gratified by the enthusiastic support expressed by our U.S. government and civil society partners for holding AIDS 2012 in Washington, D.C. The world’s leading AIDS experts will gather for AIDS 2012 in a community deeply impacted by the epidemic, providing a tremendous opportunity for partnership and exchange that will further sow the seeds of solidarity among all of us dedicated to ending this epidemic. The selection of Washington, D.C. as the AIDS 2012 venue is also significant as it is home to key players in the global response to AIDS, including the Office of the U.S. Global AIDS Coordinator (which directs PEPFAR – President’s Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief), the National Institutes of Health and the World Bank.

AIDS 2012 will play a key role in shaping international responses to this devastating epidemic. As with all our conferences, we will work with partners to make sure that the conference has a deep and lasting impact in our host city and country. We look forward to partnering with the residents of Washington, D.C. and with other groups across the U.S. to ensure the conference further strengthens the U.S. role in global AIDS initiatives, re-energizes the response to the U.S. domestic epidemic, and focuses attention on the particularly devastating impact HIV is having in Washington, D.C. and in racial and ethnic minority communities across the U.S.

Elly Katabira, MD
International Chair
President, International AIDS Society
Professor of Medicine, Makerere University
Kampala, Uganda

Diane Havlir, MD
US Co-Chair
Professor of Medicine, Chief of HIV/AIDS Division
University of California, San Francisco, CA, USA
WASHINGTON, D.C.

Founded on July 16, 1790, Washington, D.C. (officially the District of Columbia) is the capital of the United States.

The city is located on the north bank of the Potomac River and bordered by the states of Virginia to the southwest and Maryland to the other sides. The Washington Metropolitan Area, of which Washington, D.C. is a part, has a population of nearly 5.6 million, the seventh-largest metropolitan area in the U.S.

Washington, D.C. is the home to the U.S. federal government, World Bank and the International Monetary Fund (IMF) and is known as an extremely political town, however it is also a vibrant city where people live, work and play. The city is known for its monuments and museums, national landmarks, cultural events, musical and theatrical entertainment and sporting events.

The city boasts a number of historic neighborhoods each with their own unique personalities, stories and backgrounds, and brimming with a unique history and diverse population that have made the city a melting pot of rich culture.

For more information on Washington, D.C. visit www.washington.org.

KEY DATES

15 November 2011
• Affiliated Independent Event applications open

1 December 2011
• Abstract submissions open
• Registration opens
• Global Village and Youth Programme applications open
• Workshops applications open
• Satellite applications open
• Exhibition space applications open
• Accommodation bookings open

8 December 2011
• Scholarship applications open

15 February 2012
• Abstract submissions close
• Scholarship applications close
• Workshops applications close
• Global Village and Youth Programme applications close

23 February 2012
• Standard registration fee ends
  (late fee surcharge added as of 24 February 2012)

14 March 2012
• Conference Hub applications open

31 March 2012
• Satellite applications close

2 April 2012
• Volunteer applications open

19 April 2012
• Late breaker abstract submissions open
• Affiliated Independent Event applications close

3 May 2012
• Late registration fee ends
  (last minute surcharge added as of 4 May 2012)

22 May 2012
• Late breaker abstract submissions close

25 May 2012
• Exhibition space applications close

29 June 2012
• Conference Hub applications close

22-27 July 2012
• Conference
THEME

Turning the Tide Together reflects a unique moment in time, emphasizing that the HIV epidemic has reached a defining moment. By acting decisively on recent scientific advances in HIV treatment and biomedical prevention, the momentum for a cure, and the continuing evidence of the ability to scale-up key interventions in the most-needed settings, we now have the potential to change the course of HIV and AIDS.

Capturing the current sense of hope and the renewed optimism that a change of course in the HIV epidemic is possible, Turning the Tide Together also serves as an urgent call to action. It acknowledges that seizing this potential and actually turning the tide on HIV will require commitment and action on many levels: that each and every stakeholder in the AIDS response must play their role.

A broad number of issues will be required to actually change the course of the epidemic, including continued investments and collaboration in research, more operations research and more efficient delivery systems, significant programme scale-up in resource-limited settings, commitment to evidence-based interventions, and promotion of human rights.

Turning the Tide Together evokes both the scale of the task in hand and the power of AIDS 2012 to mobilize governments, NGOs, policy makers, scientists, civil society organizations, journalists and people living with HIV to join forces and build the necessary momentum to turn the tide on HIV and AIDS.

OVERVIEW

The International AIDS Conference is the premier gathering for those working in the field of HIV, as well as policy makers, persons living with HIV and other individuals committed to ending the pandemic. It is a chance to assess where we are, evaluate recent scientific developments and lessons learnt, and collectively chart a course forward.

The AIDS 2012 programme will present new scientific knowledge and offer many opportunities for structured dialogue on the major issues facing the global response to HIV. A variety of session types – from abstract-driven presentations to symposia, bridging and plenary sessions – will meet the needs of various participants. Other related activities, including the Global Village, satellite meetings, exhibitions and affiliated independent events, will contribute to an exceptional opportunity for professional development and networking.

Conference Language

The official language of AIDS 2012 is English. Simultaneous interpretation into Spanish will be provided for conference sessions taking place in Session Rooms 1 to 9 with the exception of Satellite Sessions.

The Opening Session will be interpreted into the five UN languages (Arabic, Russian, Chinese, French and Spanish).

The conference website, www.aids2012.org, will be in English and Spanish, as will media materials.
CONFEREE PROGRAMME

The AIDS 2012 Conference Programme seeks to promote scientific excellence and inquiry, encourage individual and collective action, foster multi-sectoral dialogue and constructive debate, and reinforce accountability amongst all stakeholders. Sessions will focus on the latest issues in HIV science, policy and practice and will also seek to share key research findings, lessons learned and best practices, as well as identify gaps in knowledge. The conference will feature abstract-driven sessions, a daily plenary session, a variety of symposia sessions, workshops and independently organized satellite meetings. In addition, the conference programme will include a number of activities, such as the Global Village and the Youth Programme, which are an integral aspect of the International AIDS Conference.

For more information on the conference programme, please visit www.aids2012.org/programme.aspx.

Conference Governance

The AIDS 2012 Conference Coordinating Committee and the three programme committees, reflecting the core components of the conference programme (Science, Community and Leadership and Accountability), work collaboratively to bring to reality the AIDS 2012 objectives and set the programme.

Additional details on the Conference Coordinating Committee and the three programme committees – including a list of members and the programme committees’ vision statements – may be viewed at www.aids2012.org.

Expanded Online Access

Reflecting a commitment to make AIDS 2012 as accessible to as many people as possible, organizers are partnering with several groups to make a significant portion of the AIDS 2012 programme available online. Webcasts of major sessions provided by the Kaiser Family Foundation will be available for viewing via the conference website and copies of speeches, slide presentations, abstracts, electronic posters, session-specific and daily rapporteur reports, workshop handouts and audio recordings will be accessible through the online Programme-at-a-Glance. Clinical Care Options, Inc. is the official online provider of scientific analysis with NAM providing official scientific reporting. All official publications, including the daily on-site news bulletin and press releases, will also be available electronically.

AIDS 2012: Join the Conversation

You can also get the latest conference updates and share your thoughts and ideas through the Conference Facebook and Twitter.

We are tweeting – @aids2012 – and hope many of you will tweet along with us, using #AIDS2012 to keep the conversation going.

You can become a fan of AIDS 2012 on Facebook and stay in touch with the latest conference updates and developments. Please visit www.facebook.com/aids2012 to become a fan. If your group or organization is participating in AIDS 2012, we welcome posts of photos and videos of your work on this page. Tell us why you are coming to Washington and what you hope to gain from AIDS 2012.

Conference Hubs

Do you want to bring the momentum, expertise, and materials from the global conference to your community? How? Host a conference hub!

These events are “mini conferences” held in conjunction with the international conference by local organizations active in the AIDS response. Sessions from the international conference will be recorded or telecast free of charge for selected applicants and can be screened at organizers’ discretion. These sessions are typically followed by
GET INVOLVED: ABSTRACTS, ACTIVITIES, WORKSHOPS AND MORE

Call for Abstracts

The XIX International AIDS Conference welcomes the submission of abstracts for original contribution to the field in the following five scientific tracks:

**Track A:**
Basic Science

**Track B:**
Clinical Science

**Track C:**
Epidemiology and Prevention Science

**Track D:**
Social Science, Human Rights and Political Science

**Track E:**
Implementation Science, Health Systems and Economics

Abstract submissions will be scored by an international panel of reviewers through a blind peer-review process and ultimately selected by members of the AIDS 2012 Scientific Programme and Track Committees.

Online abstract submission opens on **1 December 2011** and closes on **15 February 2012**.

Scientific Tracks

**Track A: Basic Science**

This track will cover research on global HIV diversity, early transmission of the virus and HIV pathogenesis in the context of host-virus interactions and their consequences. Particular attention will be given to advances in drug, microbicide and vaccine development that aim to prevent infection. This track will specifically address systemic inflammation, pathogenesis of disease progression, and morbidity and mortality from both AIDS-related and non-AIDS-related diseases in the era of suppressive antiretroviral treatment (ART). This track will further highlight advances in basic research on the influence of opportunistic infections, TB, and co-infections with hepatitis C.
particular interest include interdisciplinary and/or combined research at both individual and population levels. Topics of view towards eradication and functional cures. and characterization of latent HIV cellular reservoirs with a aspects will all be considered in the context of the identification and characterization of latent HIV cellular reservoirs with a view towards eradication and functional cures.

Track B: Clinical Science

Sustaining long-term goals of providing HIV care, treatment and therapeutic prevention is an important focus of this track. Track B will highlight the latest research findings, complexities and controversies related to: the natural history, diagnosis and management of HIV infection; antiretroviral therapy (ART) and immunotherapy; the prevention, diagnosis and treatment of opportunistic infections and co-infections, including TB, hepatitis and sexually transmitted infections; and other co-morbidities. Issues for discussion related to ART will include new drug therapies, the impact of therapies on HIV reservoirs, pharmacokinetics, drug interactions, adherence to treatment, treatment simplification and drug resistance. Short- and long-term adverse events will also be discussed, including cardiovascular, renal and hepatic complications and non-AIDS malignancies. Approaches to treatment, care and support among all people at risk of, vulnerable to, or living with HIV will be addressed, as well as innovations related to the provision of HIV care in resource-limited settings.

Track C: Epidemiology and Prevention Science

This track will focus on epidemiology and HIV/AIDS prevention science research. Sessions in this track will encompass the full spectrum of methodological and technological advances in these research disciplines. Track C will address HIV prevention research at both individual and population levels. Topics of particular interest include interdisciplinary and/or combined prevention approaches, efforts to promote preparedness and introduction of biomedical prevention technologies, with particular focus on HIV testing, treatment of HIV infection to prevent transmission, pre-exposure prophylaxis, adult and neonatal circumcision, microbicides, vaccines, community viral load-based approaches, prevention of HIV transmission from HIV-positive individuals (“prevention for positives”), practices, behaviours or technologies that increase individual risk of HIV infection, use of electronic and new media, and other methods. The track is concerned with all people who are vulnerable to, at risk of, or living with HIV. Structural interventions for HIV prevention are of specific interest.

Track D: Social Science, Human Rights, and Political Science

This track will focus on the social, political, behavioural, and human rights factors influencing HIV risk, vulnerability, response, and impact as assessed in rigorous scientific studies and legal and policy analyses. Presentations will examine theoretical and methodological approaches in social science, human rights, and political science; qualitative and quantitative assessments of social, political, and legal factors influencing HIV epidemics and the responses to them (including social, structural and behavioural interventions); and issues in the translation of social and political science evidence and human rights frameworks into practice (including policy and programmes) at all levels - global, national, local, community, individual. This track will include discussion of ethical issues related to social and behavioural research and it will address all people at risk of, vulnerable to, and/or living with HIV. Finally, this track will address capacity-building in HIV social and human rights research, as well as community-participatory research and evaluation.

Track D invites submissions from the full range of social (including behavioural) science disciplines - especially sociology, anthropology, political science, demography, and psychology - as well as from legal and human rights scholars and analysts, social-epidemiologists, and evaluation researchers. This track also welcomes submissions from
community-based programme implementers and advocates who are engaged in the translation and evaluation of social and political science research and human rights frameworks into practice, policy, programmes, and monitoring and evaluation efforts.

**Track E: Implementation Science, Health Systems and Economics**

This track will examine the ways in which HIV programmes affect both clinical and non-clinical outcomes, including global health indicators, health systems functioning (including in crisis settings), financing and efficiency, economic growth, human development and cost-effectiveness. Science from the track will aim to inform the allocation of resources to different sectors in the fight against the epidemic. There will be particular interest in implementation science, human and economic resource issues, including task shifting, programmatic efficiency, and ethics of care provision. In addition, the effect of health systems status on the design, implementation and effectiveness of HIV programmes at local, regional and national levels will be addressed.

Track E will also evaluate the impact of HIV prevention, care and treatment programme scale-up and implementation. Operations research related to the effectiveness of interventions, as well as research on improving resource allocation for HIV prevention and care, will be addressed. Research on the effectiveness of community structures and participation will be encouraged, including the role of the community in health systems strengthening. Cost analyses, budgetary impact analyses and cost-effectiveness analyses will be included in this track.

**Abstract Mentor Programme**

The goal of the AIDS 2012 Abstract Mentor Programme is to provide an opportunity for young and/or less experienced abstract submitters to ask questions of more experienced abstract submitters. At AIDS 2010, online mentoring was shown to increase motivation and submission of abstracts by early-career researchers and those from low and middle-income countries. The conference secretariat will facilitate the programme and match mentors with submitters.

The mentor programme is completely independent of the abstract review and selection process of the conference. It is an opportunity that will strengthen the quality of abstracts submitted, thereby increasing the chances of submitters having an abstract accepted for presentation.

**Workshops**

In addition to the conference sessions, AIDS 2012 will feature a set of workshops open to delegates. Workshops will fall under professional development, community skills and leadership skills. Online submissions for workshops open on 1 December 2011 and close on 15 February 2012.

**Volunteer Programme**

The conference secretariat is looking for 1,500 to 2,000 local, dedicated volunteers from Washington, D.C. and the surrounding region to help at the XIX International AIDS Conference. Volunteers will help to coordinate the conference and other related programme activities by assisting with registration and material handling, acting as guides during the conference, staffing various offices helping in the Speaker and Media Centres and performing other crucial tasks. Amongst others, the main volunteer benefits are free access to the conference sessions (a timetable will allow each volunteer to have time to attend a few sessions every day), one free meal per day and a certificate of appreciation.

For those interested in being part of the AIDS 2012 Volunteer Team, an online application form will be available at www.aids2012.org in April 2012. If you have any questions, please contact volunteer@aids2012.org.
PROGRAMME ACTIVITIES

In addition to the conference sessions, AIDS 2012 will feature a set of programme activities open to delegates.

- The Global Village, open to the general public as well as conference delegates, aims to intensify the involvement of key populations in the conference and in the global response to the HIV epidemic. Activities include sessions, forums, oral presentations, awards, networking zones, NGO exhibition booths, marketplace booths, art exhibits, film screenings and performing arts.

- The Youth Programme aims to strengthen the participation of young people and the profile of youth issues in the conference through activities such as a youth pavilion, youth-lead sessions, an interactive blog and social media presence, the youth opening and reception, and high-level participation by young people.

Online submissions for the Global Village and Youth Programme open on 1 December 2011 and close on 15 February 2012.

EXHIBITIONS, SATELLITES AND AFFILIATED INDEPENDENT EVENTS

Exhibitions

AIDS 2012 will offer opportunities to both commercial and non-commercial organizations to showcase their products and services to the largest gathering of HIV/AIDS professionals in the world. With over 7,000 square metres of prime exhibition space and more than 20,000 delegates expected, organizations can effectively reach a broad cross-section of players in the global response to HIV/AIDS. Exhibitions at AIDS 2010 were oversubscribed, and more than 50 organizations missed out on the opportunity. Ensure your participation by booking your space at AIDS 2012 early. Applications will open on 1 December 2011.

Applying for Exhibition Space

Exhibition applications must be made through the online IAS Satellite and Exhibition Tracker at www.aids2012.org/exhibitions. Exhibition space costs USD 475 per square metre for both commercial and non-commercial organizations. The deadline for exhibition applications is 25 May 2012. However, if capacity is reached, exhibitions will be closed earlier than the planned date. Please contact exhibitions@aids2012.org for further information.

Free Exhibition Space in the Global Village

A number of free/discounted exhibit booths for AIDS service organizations, non-commercial organizations and NGOs are planned within the Global Village. As space is limited, a selection process will take place following the 15 February 2012 Global Village application deadline. Application forms for free exhibit space in the Global Village, as well as for other proposed Programme Activities in the Global Village (including workshops, forums, networking areas, marketplace, and so on), will be available on the website after 1 December 2011. Detailed application guidelines are available online.

Publications Area

A publications area will be available for individuals and organizations who wish to showcase their publications. Interested parties will be able to register their interest, including how many of their publications they wish to
Satellites

Satellite meetings take place in the conference centre but are fully organized and coordinated by the organization hosting the satellite (private company, government agency, institution or NGO). Conference organizers make satellite slots available for a fee, which is based on the room capacity and the time slot, and will allocate slots according to availability on the conference programme. The contents and speakers of the satellite meetings will be reviewed to ensure that they meet the scientific and ethical principles of the conference.

Criteria for approval include the following:
• Satellites should reflect and/or support the vision and goals of the conference.
• Satellites should address HIV and AIDS, co-infections or issues faced by individuals or organizations affected by or responding to the AIDS epidemic.
• The satellite programme should reflect conference policies and goals of diversity and inclusion.

Applications will open on 1 December 2011.

Affiliated Independent Events

Other meetings, symposia, forums or events organized for conference delegates outside the conference venue by other organizations are referred to as Affiliated Independent Events. Affiliated Independent Events are held during times that do not conflict with the conference programme.

Organizations wishing to host an Affiliated Independent Event in cooperation with AIDS 2012 may apply online as of 15 November 2011. There is no processing or sponsorship fee associated with Affiliated Independent Events, however individuals requesting affiliation should be registered attendees for AIDS 2012.
**SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES**

The XIX International AIDS Conference will offer conference supporters various possibilities to enhance their visibility and association with the event. The selected sponsorship opportunities allow each sponsor unique ways of associating brands or messages with different aspects of the conference. Sponsorship opportunities cater to a diversity of budgets and requirements and range from logos on the delegate bag and sponsorship of the Global Village to pads, pens and flyers.

The AIDS 2012 Commercial Invitation will be released on the website by the end of December 2011. Interested parties may also contact sponsorship@aids2012.org.

**Becoming a Conference Donor**

The International AIDS Conference relies heavily on contributions from a range of sources to fund the planning and implementation of this event.

Donations from supporters make a crucial difference to the impact of the International AIDS Conference, and conference outcomes are reliant on funding partnerships. Feedback from formal debriefing sessions with donors who have attended the International AIDS Conference indicates that supporters have very positive experiences of the event. Donors highlight the following benefits:

- Donor support and profiles are visible to a large, high-profile, worldwide audience. Conference delegates include clinicians and other health workers; medical, biomedical and social science researchers; social and community workers; government and non-governmental agencies at all levels from local to international; the pharmaceutical industry and other businesses; educators; the media; policy makers and leaders; and community organizations.
- Forums are arranged at the conference, during which donors can discuss issues with other HIV/AIDS funders, government representatives, conference delegates and their own grantees.
- The conference secretariat assists in organizing satellite meetings at the conference venue for donors and provides help with their logistical arrangements.

The secretariat would be delighted to meet with governments, charitable foundations, companies and others who share its commitment to prevent, control and treat HIV/AIDS in order to discuss ways in which support could be used. Funding can be directed to specific conference areas and programmes, or invested in the general costs of the conference.

**SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAMME**

**International Scholarship Programme**

The conference organizers are committed to making AIDS 2012 accessible to people from resource-limited settings and communities, researchers, young people, community activists and civil society representatives. Scholarships provide financial assistance to a number of people from resource-limited settings and communities, key affected populations, people living with HIV, young people, researchers and students to help them attend the conference. The International Scholarship Programme is open to everyone around the world. Priority will be given to those whose participation will help enhance their work in their own communities, to those who are able to assist in the transfer of skills and knowledge acquired at the conference, and to those whose abstract, workshop or programme activity (Global Village or Youth Programme) submission has been selected. Scholarship selection will be based on a non-biased scoring system established in advance.

A Scholarship Review Committee will contribute to the reviewing and scoring of the applications.

Although every attempt will be made to assist as many people as possible, there are only a limited number of international scholarships available. On average, less than 10% of applicants are awarded. Applicants are therefore strongly encouraged to seek other funding as well.
Those interested in applying for a scholarship must complete the online International Scholarship application form, which will be available through the conference profile on www.aids2012.org/profile as of 8 December 2011.

**The deadline for applying for an international scholarship is 15 February 2012.**

**Media Scholarship Programme**

A very limited number of scholarships will be available for media representatives from around the world. Media scholarship applicants will be asked to provide media accreditation and supporting documents.

Those interested in applying for a scholarship must complete the online Media Scholarship application form, which will be available through the conference profile on www.aids2012.org/profile as of 8 December 2011.

**The deadline for applying for a media scholarship is 15 February 2012.**
REGISTRATION, ACCOMMODATION, TOURS AND OTHER INFORMATION

How to Register

All registrations (regular delegate, student/post-doc, youth delegate, accompanying adult and child, media representative) for the XIX International AIDS Conference must be submitted using the online registration form which will be available at www.aids2012.org from 1 December 2011. Please also visit the website for terms and conditions of registration and additional information.

Before registering, a conference profile must be created. The conference profile is a central portal for all conference-related submission and application forms. One advantage for users is that they only need to register their personal details once and can then access the different submission and application forms without having to enter their data again.

For any registration related questions, visit the website or contact the AIDS 2012 Registration Department at registration@aids2012.org.

Registration Fees

To encourage broad participation in the conference, organizers are offering a two-tiered fee structure, with lower registration fees for delegates from middle- and low-income countries (World Bank classification) and students/post-docs.

Media Centre

A state of the art Media Centre, including three press conference rooms for use by conference organizers and third parties, will be available for all registered media delegates. Access to the Media Centre is restricted to accredited journalists. For more information contact media@aids2012.org.

AIDS 2012 Registration Fees

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Conference Delegates</th>
<th>Standard Fee</th>
<th>Late Fee (after 23 February 2012)</th>
<th>Last Minute Fee (after 3 May 2012)</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Regular Delegate</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Middle/low-income countries*</td>
<td>USD 575</td>
<td>USD 690</td>
<td>USD 765</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>High-income countries*</td>
<td>USD 785</td>
<td>USD 940</td>
<td>USD 1045</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Youth (under age 26) / Student / Post-doc</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Middle/low-income countries*</td>
<td>USD 150</td>
<td>USD 180</td>
<td>USD 200</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>High-income countries*</td>
<td>USD 235</td>
<td>USD 280</td>
<td>USD 310</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Accompanying adult (age 18 and over)</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>All countries</td>
<td>USD 130</td>
<td>USD 155</td>
<td>USD 170</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Accompanying child (under age 18)</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>All countries</td>
<td>USD 45</td>
<td>USD 55</td>
<td>USD 60</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Media</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>All countries</td>
<td>Free</td>
<td>Free</td>
<td>Free</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

*World Bank Classification

Please note:  - Registration fees must be paid in USD only.
            - All dates and times mentioned refer to Central European Time Zone (CET).
Conference Embargo Policy

In the case of AIDS 2012, as well as most scientific/medical conferences, all conference abstracts are released to delegates under a strict embargo policy. A detailed breakdown of the embargo variations for different types of abstracts is available below.

Oral Abstracts

Information about the oral abstracts may not be published or presented before the start of the session at AIDS 2012 in which the abstract is being presented.

Oral Poster Discussion Abstracts and Poster Exhibition Abstracts

Information about the oral poster discussion and poster exhibition abstracts may not be published or presented before the opening of the Poster Exhibition Area at AIDS 2012 (date and time to be confirmed).

Embargo Breaks for Reporters

Breaking of the embargo policy by a reporter leads to:

• Immediate suspension of the reporter’s media conference credentials
• Immediate barring of the reporter from the meeting premises
• Removal of the reporter’s name from the IAS Media Distribution List for one year
• No access to the next IAS and IAC Conferences

Hotel Accommodation

Accommodation has been reserved for delegates and exhibitors in a range of hotels. A detailed list of hotel rooms reserved for the conference delegates, as well as additional information on rates and how to book accommodation in Washington, D.C. will be available at www.aids2012.org from 1 December 2011. All room rates are per night and include breakfast, service and taxes.

For any accommodation related questions, visit the website or contact the AIDS 2012 Accommodation Department at accommodation@aids2012.org.
Optional Tours and Other Information

Optional Tours

Optional tours during and after the conference will be available and can be booked online at www.aids2012.org as of 1 December 2012.

For any tours related questions, visit the website or contact the AIDS 2012 Tours Department at tours@aids2012.org.

Visa Information

Conference organizers strongly recommend that potential AIDS 2012 delegates make contact with the U.S. embassy/consulate in their country as soon as possible to enquire about the specific U.S. immigration processes and timing that will apply to them. Delegates should note that the conference is not able to facilitate or intervene in immigration processes and decisions.

All visa applications should be made no later than 90 days before travelling to the U.S. (i.e. no later than mid-April 2012 for conference delegates).

A list of the embassies and links to contact details are available on www.usembassy.gov.

Many nationals will need to apply for a non-immigrant visa. For more information please visit: http://travel.state.gov/visa/temp/types/types_1262.html.

Some nationals are eligible for the Visa Waiver Program (VWP). For more information please visit: http://travel.state.gov/visa/temp/without/without_1990.html.

More detailed information will be provided by the conference regarding U.S. immigration processes at www.aids2012.org/visa.aspx.
As of January 2010, people living with HIV and AIDS (PLHIV) have been allowed entrance into the U.S. This policy change was crucial to bringing the conference back to the U.S. after nearly two decades. For individuals who have previously been denied a visa on these grounds or were given a waiver of visa inadmissibility on these grounds this information will no longer be displayed to the consular officer reviewing the visa application and will be irrelevant when the new visa application is considered.

**Conference Venue**

The AIDS 2012 conference will be held at the Walter E. Washington Convention Center (WCC), a state-of-the-art facility with its own subway station, nestled between downtown and some of the city’s most bustling neighborhoods, and just steps from great hotels, museums, restaurants, historic neighborhoods, and shopping.

The center includes five exhibit halls on two levels with a total of 703,000 square feet of prime exhibit space with 66 individual meeting rooms and a large ballroom totaling 150,000 square feet.

For more information on the WCC, please click here: [www.dcconvention.com](http://www.dcconvention.com).

**Lounge for Delegates Living with HIV**

The PLHIV lounge will be a place of rest, support and networking. For many delegates living with HIV, the PLHIV lounge can be a valuable part of their conference experience, providing opportunities to meet and talk with other PLHIV from across the globe in a relaxed and nurturing environment. The lounge will provide complimentary snacks, spaces for informal meetings and relaxation, and private facilities for taking medication.

**Use of Conference Name and Logo**

Use of the conference logo without written permission is strictly prohibited. Requests for permission to use the logo must be made in writing to the conference secretariat at [media@aids2012.org](mailto:media@aids2012.org).

**SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY**

Conference organizers are committed to Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) and are always looking for innovative ways to incorporate CSR and environmentally sustainable practices into the organization and impact of the International AIDS Conference.

Based on ‘The Four Rs’ principle of ‘reduce’, ‘reuse’, ‘recycle’ and ‘raise awareness’, the conference secretariat takes formal measures to reduce the environmental impact of the International AIDS Conference while enhancing the local economy, reusing conference surplus materials, recycling conference waste and raising awareness of CSR efforts while on-site.

The last International AIDS Conference, AIDS 2010, was awarded the IMEX Green Meetings Award 2011. The IMEX board noted that AIDS 2010 conference organizers successfully balanced the environmental, social and economical aspects of the conference both in their strategic thinking and onsite operations.
CONTACT INFORMATION

General Information  info@aids2012.org
Abstract Information  abstracts@aids2012.org
Abstract Mentor Programme  mentor@aids2012.org
Accommodation  accommodation@aids2012.org
Affiliated Independent Events  affiliatedevents@aids2012.org
Exhibition  exhibitions@aids2012.org
Global Village  globalvillage@aids2012.org
Hubs  hubs@aids2012.org
Media  media@aids2012.org
Media Scholarships  mediascholarship@aids2012.org
Programme Information  programme@aids2012.org
Publications  publications@aids2012.org
Registration  registration@aids2012.org
Satellites  satellites@aids2012.org
Scholarships  internationalscholarship@aids2012.org
Sponsorship Opportunities  sponsorship@aids2012.org
Tours  tours@aids2012.org
Volunteer Programme  volunteer@aids2012.org
Workshops  workshops@aids2012.org
Youth Programme  youth@aids2012.org

AIDS 2012 Secretariat
International AIDS Society
PO Box 28
CH - 1216 Cointrin
Geneva, Switzerland

AIDS 2012 Local Secretariat
441 4th St. NW, Suite 805S
Washington, D.C. 20001 USA