



## XIX INTERNATIONAL AIDS CONFERENCE JULY 22 - 27 WASHINGTON DC USA

### TURNING THE TIDE TOGETHER

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION  
CAN BE FOUND ONLINE AT  
[www.aids2012.org](http://www.aids2012.org)

## LOOKING FORWARD TO THE XIX INTERNATIONAL AIDS CONFERENCE

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.

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, DC 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.

## TURNING THE TIDE TOGETHER

The AIDS 2012 theme *Turning the Tide Together* reflects a unique moment in time, emphasizing that the AIDS 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.

For more information on the AIDS 2012 theme, please visit [www.aids2012.org/theme.aspx](http://www.aids2012.org/theme.aspx)

## 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.

[www.aids2012.org/media.aspx](http://www.aids2012.org/media.aspx)

## CONFERENCE PROGRAMME

The AIDS 2012 conference programme will consist of abstract driven sessions featuring the latest HIV research in five tracks; non-abstract-driven sessions focusing on the latest issues in HIV science, policy and practice; workshops that will develop professional skills and knowledge; and programme activities including the Youth Programme and the Global Village, a dynamic learning and gathering space open to the public that has become a conference highlight for many. In addition to sessions, workshops and activities, the conference will feature satellite meetings, commercial, non-commercial and cultural exhibitions, and offsite, affiliated independent events.

[www.aids2012.org/programme.aspx](http://www.aids2012.org/programme.aspx)

## ABSTRACT SUBMISSIONS

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

The abstract-driven component of the conference offers the highest caliber of state-of-the-art knowledge and peer-reviewed research. Sessions are either specific to one of the five tracks or involve abstracts from different tracks but focusing on one theme. Over half of all conference sessions will be abstract-driven. [www.aids2012.org/abstracts.aspx](http://www.aids2012.org/abstracts.aspx)

**ONLINE ABSTRACT SUBMISSION CLOSES ON 15 FEBRUARY 2012.  
LATE BREAKER ABSTRACT SUBMISSION OPENS ON 19 APRIL  
2012 AND CLOSES ON 22 MAY 2012.**

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Twitter- @aids2012 - using #AIDS2012 to keep the conversation going.

## GLOBAL VILLAGE AND YOUTH PROGRAMME

The Global Village, open to conference delegates and the general public, aims to intensify the involvement of key affected populations and other stakeholders in the conference and in the global response to AIDS. Examples of 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-driven sessions, an electronic youth newsletter, the youth opening and reception, and a high-level youth leadership forum.

[www.aids2012.org/globalvillage.aspx](http://www.aids2012.org/globalvillage.aspx)  
[www.aids2012.org/youth.aspx](http://www.aids2012.org/youth.aspx)

**GLOBAL VILLAGE AND YOUTH PROGRAMME SUBMISSIONS CLOSE ON 15 FEBRUARY 2012.**

## 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.

[www.aids2012.org/exhibition.aspx](http://www.aids2012.org/exhibition.aspx)

**EXHIBITION APPLICATIONS CLOSE ON 25 MAY 2012.**

## SATELLITE MEETINGS

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 length of the satellite session, and will allocate slots according to availability on the conference programme.

[www.aids2012.org/satellite.aspx](http://www.aids2012.org/satellite.aspx)

**SATELLITE APPLICATIONS CLOSE ON 31 MARCH 2012.**

## SCHOLARSHIPS

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. 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 submission has been selected. A very limited number of scholarships will also be available for media representatives from around the world. [www.aids2012.org/scholarships.aspx](http://www.aids2012.org/scholarships.aspx)

**SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS CLOSE ON 15 FEBRUARY 2012.**

## CONFERENCE HUBS - BRINGING THE CONFERENCE TO YOU!

Unfortunately immigration, financial, and/or time constraints may prevent certain people from attending the conference. Conference hubs ensure the global discussion includes all key stakeholders and allow organizers to target issues relevant to their region. Conference hubs 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 free of charge for selected applicants and can be screened at organizers' discretion. These sessions are typically followed by moderated discussions with local or regional experts to examine how the session content can be used to strengthen the HIV/AIDS response.

[www.aids2012.org/hubs.aspx](http://www.aids2012.org/hubs.aspx)

**CONFERENCE HUB SUBMISSIONS OPEN ON 14 MARCH 2012 AND CLOSE ON 29 JUNE 2012.**

## REGISTRATION

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

[www.aids2012.org/registration.aspx](http://www.aids2012.org/registration.aspx)

**LATE SURCHARGE ADDED ON 23 FEBRUARY 2012.  
LAST MINUTE SURCHARGE ADDED ON 3 MAY 2012.**

## KEY DATES

### ABSTRACT SUBMISSIONS

Close	15 February 2012
Open Late Breakers	19 April 2012
Close Late Breakers	22 May 2012

### REGISTRATION

Late Fee	23 February 2012
Last Minute Fee	3 May 2012

### GLOBAL VILLAGE AND YOUTH PROGRAMME SUBMISSIONS

Close	15 February 2012
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### SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS

Close	15 February 2012
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### SATELLITE APPLICATIONS

Close	31 March 2012
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### EXHIBITION APPLICATIONS

Close	25 May 2012
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### CONFERENCE HUB APPLICATIONS

Close	29 June 2012
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