

The Humanitarian Centre and the Cambridge Union Society present . . .

Welcome fellow survivors of the recent apocalypse. We have gathered here today, at the Cambridge Union Society —the last building standing—in preparation to hoist our life raft into the Cam and sail away to a new land, where we will build a new society from the ground up. Suddenly . . . Five more survivors have been found; they had been at a “Global Health” conference when the building collapsed, trapping them in the rubble! With our life raft full, we ask you now, fellow survivors, can we risk making space for one more person, whose expertise may be indispensable to the health of our future society? Or shall we listen to our Devil’s Advocate and leave them all behind . . .

THE GLOBAL HEALTH LIFE RAFT DEBATE

Chair: Professor Alan Fenwick, OBE is currently Director of the Schistosomiasis Control Initiative (SCI) and Professor of Tropical Parasitology at Imperial College. Prior to establishing the SCI in 2002 he worked on schistosomiasis research and control in Tanzania, Sudan and Egypt. Prof Fenwick has championed the control of Neglected Tropical Diseases (NTDs) and has pioneered the control of NTDs in Africa.

The Doctor: Dr Jenny Dean established and now runs the Centre for Health Leadership & Enterprise at the Cambridge Judge Business School. Previously she worked for ten years as a Doctor in the NHS in various hospitals, specialising in Anaesthesia. During that time she spent a continuous 18 months as a medical officer on a British Research Station in Antarctica, and has also worked freelance in Aeromedical Repatriation and Hyperbaric Medicine. She has a MSc in Remote Health Care (Polar Option) and an MBA from Cambridge.

The Historian: Professor Simon Szreter is a professor of History and Public Policy at the University of Cambridge. His current research includes the study of qualitative and quantitative sources on the history of fertility decline in Britain, including a new project on the venereal diseases and fertility decline; the history of mortality public health and politics; and the comparative history of identity registration systems in world history. He is a long-term honorary research associate of the Cambridge Group for the history of Population and Social Structure and currently holds a Leverhulme Grant with colleagues there to investigate newly-available child mortality and fertility data from the 1911 census.

The Sociologist: Professor Lawrence Peter King is a Reader in the Department of Sociology at the University of Cambridge and a Fellow of Emmanuel College. He studies the impact of privatization programs and macroeconomic policies on the global health crisis in the postcommunist world and less developed countries. He currently holds an Advanced Investigator Grant from the European Research Council to conduct a large scale study the impact of privatization on mortality in Russia, Ukraine, Belarus and Hungary.

The Entrepreneur: Dr Belinda Clarke is Director of External Relations at ideaSpace Enterprise Accelerator, which is a four year programme to support the generation of new firms and jobs across the Eastern Region, hosted at the Hauser Forum. She was previously Life Sciences Manager at One Nucleus (formerly ERBI), International Trade Adviser at UKTI and Science Liaison Manager at Norwich Research Park Science.

The Public Health Specialist: Professor Steve Gillam is Director of Public Health Education at University of Cambridge, Professor of Primary Care at the University of Bedfordshire, and a GP in a deprived area of Luton. He was previously Director of Primary Care at the King's Fund, a national policy institute. He was heavily involved in charting the impact of primary care policy under new Labour including the development of Primary Care Trusts. And he has overseas experience of public health medicine through an appointment with Save the Children Fund.

And, the Devil’s Advocate: Mara-Tafadzwa Makoni is currently doing an MPhil in Engineering for Sustainable Development. She is keen on studying sustainable interventions and solutions in Africa. Her thesis will be based on evaluation of the sustainability of development projects and exploring how the aid framework can better adapt a systemic approach. She was born and raised in Zimbabwe. Prior to starting her degree course, she worked for an NGO in Kenya and researched developing frameworks for Sustainable Livelihoods.



The Humanitarian Centre is a thriving not-for-profit Cambridge-based network for international relief and development. We bring together NGOs, researchers, consultants, entrepreneurs, academics, students, business leaders and other individuals who work to reduce global poverty and inequality. By connecting local, national and international expertise, across sectors and disciplines, we maximize our contribution to global change.

The Humanitarian Centre exists to support the sharing of best practice and to facilitate collaborative, innovative partnerships, as well as to build the skills and capacity of NGOs and individuals. We provide a forum for dialogue on key international development issues, as well as an access point for individuals interested in participating in development-related activities. By connecting people and adding value to their work in the UK, the Humanitarian Centre positively impacts the lives of people and communities across the world. **Find out more at www.humanitariancentre.org.**

The Cambridge Global Health Year

The Humanitarian Centre is hosting a year of events and activities on current Global Health issues. This includes conferences, networking opportunities, training, seminars and workshops, and an online database to increase collaboration and impact in Global Health. These activities will engage with a range of audiences including researchers, consultants, NGOs, academics, students and private sector leaders.

Save the date for upcoming events in the Cambridge Global Health Year: Lent Term

January 20 & 31: The Cambridge Conference on Noncommunicable Diseases and Mental Health (NMH).

With chair, Dr Richard Smith, Director of Ovations (previously Editor of the BMJ) and speakers from the WHO, International Diabetes Federation, Cambridge University's Institute of Public Health, CBM, and more. The Cambridge Summit on NMH will respond to, and carry forward, the work of the UN Summit on Noncommunicable Diseases, focusing on developing countries from a UK research and policy perspective. The outcomes of the Conference will be shared at reception in Parliament on 31 January.

March 9-10: Global Health Partnerships: Keynote Address: Lord Nigel Crisp.

An interactive exhibition space to explore the complexities of different kinds of partnerships in Global Health. Representatives from local & national governments, NGOs & INGOs, bilateral and multilateral aid agencies and more will present the exhibitions. There will be opportunities to get involved at all levels, "Pecha Kucha" presentations on the theme of 'research to impact,' interdisciplinary debates and the Cambridge Aid for Health Simulation.

March 17: Global Health Hack Day. 10:30am, ideaSpace, Hauser Forum, Cambridge.

Technologists, engineers, entrepreneurs and NGOs come together for a marathon of problem solving. NGOs and consultancies will present challenges they are facing, and interdisciplinary teams will work on creative, adaptive solutions. In partnership with CUTEC, iTeams and ideaSpace. This event is part of the Cambridge Science Festival.

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