

“ISDB: fit for the future – Independence & sustainability” Detailed program 24-27 March 2011

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Method:

- 1- Moderators introduce the aim of the session and put it in context of the main thread of this General Assembly: “ISDB: fit for the future! Independence & sustainability”
- 2- Workshops are reported in plenary sessions (secretaries make reports and write main messages on flipcharts), and are followed by debate. Plenary sessions will feature short presentations and debate.
- 3- Workshops are an opportunity for members to exchange experiences and should produce sensible and practical output for ISDB members and the next Committee.
- 4- All talks should include lively examples.
- 5- Moderators make conclusions and proposals for ISDB bulletins and ISDB as a society.
- 6- Participants are encouraged to present posters.

ISDB General Assembly 2012	Saturday 24 Sunrise 07:05 — Sunset 19:32	Sunday 25 Sunrise 07:03 — Sunset 19:34
07:30 - 09:00		Breakfast
09:00 - 10:30		09:00 - 10:30 25 years ISDB: success stories, challenges – The first decade – nurturing ISDB: Andrew Herxheimer (former chief editor of <i>DTB</i> , UK and co-founder of ISDB) – What to gain from an international network?: <i>Pijus Sakar</i> (Chief editor of <i>Bodhi</i> , India) – It’s all about the evidence – communicating benefit and harm: <i>Carol Norquay</i> (TG, Australia) Moderator: Benoit Marchand - Report: Nuria Homedes
10:30 - 11:00		Coffee Break
11:00 - 13:00	Pick up from Airport	11:00 - 13:00 Focus on ISDB activities during the 3 last years – 5 minutes (each) reports by ISDB President <i>Jörg Schaaber</i> (<i>Pharma-Brief</i> , G), ISDB Treasurer <i>Isidro Sia</i> (<i>RDU Update</i> , Ph), ISDB webmaster <i>Maria Font</i> (<i>Dialogo sui Farmaci</i> , It) and ISDB Secretary <i>Florence Vandeveld</i> (<i>Prescrire</i> , F) – Report on the ISDB working group achievements by working groups moderators and/or regions followed by Q/A. Focus themes: * Direct to consumer advertising / <i>Barbara Mintzes</i> , TI; <i>Teresa Alves</i> , HAI * Working on EU issues: pharmacovigilance / <i>Florence Vandeveld</i> , <i>Prescrire</i> / <i>Medicines in Europe Forum</i> * Clinical trials and ethics in 3rd world countries / <i>Focus on Latin America</i> , <i>Nuria Homedes</i> Moderator: Juan Erviti - Report: Iñigo Aizpurua
13:00 - 14:00		Lunch
14:00 - 15:00		14:00 - 15:00 Bias in reports of drug studies: Why are independent drug bulletins important? <i>Keynote speaker: Lisa Bero</i> , Professor, University of California, San Francisco Moderator: Isidro Sia
15:00 - 15:30		Coffee Break
15:30 - 17:00	Check In & Outdoor Activities	15:30 - 17:00 Workshops I: Brainstorming on ISDB in 2020 (role, wishes, and expectations) Resource person: <i>Andrew Herxheimer</i> Resource persons: <i>Florence Vandeveld</i> & <i>Natalia Cebotarenc</i> Resource persons: <i>Maria Font</i> & <i>Christopher Adlparvar</i> (Spanish Group)
17:00 - 18:00		17:00 - 18:00 Report and discussion in plenary Moderator: Jörg Schaaber
18:00 - 19:30	Dinner	Dinner
19:30 - 21:30	Welcome words by Jim Wright, Director of TI (Canada), host & Jörg Schaaber, ISDB President – Introduction new members Fun Activity + Socializing	Fun Activity + Socializing



ISDB General Assembly 2012	Monday 26 Sunrise 07:01 — Sunset 19:35	Tuesday 27 Sunrise 06:59 — Sunset 19:37
07:30 - 09:00	Breakfast	Breakfast
09:00 - 10:30	<p>09:00 - 10:30 New drug assessments and cost-effectiveness assessments: methods and their rationale – Comparative drugs assessments: benefits and pitfalls. <i>Stefanie Reken (IQWiG, Germany)</i> – Critical appraisal of Cost effectiveness. <i>Ken Bassett (TI, Canada)</i> – 30 years of exhaustive assessments of new drugs in France <i>Gilles Mignot (Prescrire, F)</i> Moderator: Jim Wright</p>	<p>09:00 - 09:45 Hidden agendas: Drug industry's invisible influence on prescribers – Keynote speaker: <i>Adriane Fugh-Berman, Georgetown University, Washington DC, USA</i></p> <p>09:45 - 10:30 ISDB's new Committee priorities and working methods for the next 3 years: – Presentation by the New Committee – Exchanges with participants to seek for their advice/motivation – Constitution of working groups: listing the new ISDB working groups Moderator: New ISDB President</p>
10:30 - 11:00	Coffee Break	Coffee Break
11:00 - 13:00	<p>11:00 - 13:00 Conflict of interests' policy: why and how it contributes to sustainability – Keynote speaker: <i>Sergio Sismondo (Queen's University, Kingston, Canada)</i> – At the bulletins level: results of the ISDB survey; sharing best practices by <i>David Menkes (Healthy Skepticism, NZ, moderator of ISDB Conflict of interest working group)</i> – Agreement on ISDB standards for Col Moderator: Barbara Mintzes</p>	<p>11:00 - 12:00 ISDB Working groups' first meeting For each working group: - Collectively defining the aims of the working group & identification of a working group Moderator/Coordinator.</p> <p>12:00 - 13:00 Report of ISDB working groups in plenary by the rapporteurs of each working group Moderator: Christopher Adlparvar (TI) Secretary: ISDB New General Secretary</p>
13:00 - 14:00	Lunch	Lunch
14:00 - 15:00	14:00 - 16:00 Outdoor Activities	<p>14:00 - 15:00 Surrogate endpoints: Do we really need them? Speaker: David Menkes Moderator: Gilles Mignot or Florence Vandeveld (Prescrire)</p>
15:00 - 15:30		Coffee Break
15:30 - 17:00		<p>15:30 - 17:00 Workshops III: Skills Training 2 A - Why and how to make the content of your bulletin fit for health professionals' continuing education programmes and e-learning (content)? - <i>Prescrire & Benoit Marchand</i> B - Why and how to make the content of your bulletin fit for new technologies (e-journals, prescription helpers, hospital databases, apps for mobile devices: iPhones, Android & iPads)? - <i>NN, TI</i></p>
17:00 - 18:00	<p>17:00 - 18:00 New Committee election: Presentation of the new team candidates; Vote Photos: Old Committee; New Committee; All Participants</p>	<p>17:00 - 18:00 The risk proliferation syndrome Keynote Speaker: Donald Light Moderator: Dulce Calvo</p>
18:00 - 19:30	Dinner	Dinner
19:30 - 21:30	Fun Activity + Socializing [Meeting of the New Committee]	<p>Conclusion of the General Assembly – Messages and tasks to take home by the new ISDB President – Closing word by the organizing host <i>Ciprian Jauca (TI, C)</i>. Fun Activity + Socializing</p>



ISDB General Assembly 2012	Wednesday 28 Sunrise 06:57 — Sunset 19:39	
	For those NOT participating to the training workshop	For participants to the training workshop
07:30 - 09:00	Breakfast	Breakfast
09:00 - 10:30	Check Out & Outdoor Activities	Training workshop in drug assessment methodology
10:30 - 11:00		
11:00 - 13:00	Lunch	Lunch
13:00 - 14:00	Drop off at Airport and/or Downtown	Training workshop in drug assessment methodology
14:00 - 15:00		
15:00 - 15:30		
15:30 - 17:00		
17:00 - 18:00		
18:00 - 19:30		Dinner
19:30 - 21:30		





Practical information

How to register?

A dedicated website is available for online registrations:
www.ti.ubc.ca/ISDB-2012

You will have to specify the dates and number of nights you are going to spend in Vancouver; and the type of room you choose (see the table below with the prices).

@_ Contact for any information: please use the dedicated e-mail: isdb-2012@ti.ubc.ca
Christopher Adlparvar and Ciprian Jauca, the resource persons in charge of the organization at *Therapeutics Initiative*, will answer you.

As soon as you receive the invoice established by Therapeutics Initiative, pay the fees if possible by credit card or bank transfer (bank details will be specified on the invoice).

The fees for the General Assembly are used to pay for the nights in the hotel, breakfast, lunch, dinner and coffee breaks.

Your registration will be confirmed when the payment of the fees will be completed.

Room Options	Registration Fee	
	Canadian CND	Aprox in euros
Tier 1 (Koerner)* <i>shared or single room with a bathroom</i>		
Single Option	C\$800.00	€ 505
Shared Option	C\$600.00	€ 287
Tier 2 (Johnson) <i>shared or single room with a shared bathroom on the same floor</i>		
Single Option (in brackets reduced fee on application)	C\$520 (C\$350.00)	€ 375 (€ 255)
Shared Option (in brackets reduced fee on application)	C\$400 (C\$200.00)	€ 290 (€ 145)
Tier 3 (Simple Cabins) <i>shared accommodation with shared bathroom in simpler cabins</i>		
Shared Option (in brackets reduced fee on application)	C\$ 300 (C\$150.00)	€ 220 (€ 110)

*Tier 1 (Koerner) rooms (the most expensive), are not available at a reduced rate or if you need further financial support from ISDB.

When to book your flights?

Participants are advised to book their flights **as early as possible** to benefit from lower prices.

Participants are expected to arrive in Vancouver in the morning of Saturday, March 24. The General Assembly will in fact start on the early evening of Saturday (March 24). The General Assembly will end in the evening of Tuesday, March 27.

Warning: After the General Assembly, Wednesday 28 March, a one day extra training workshop in drug assessment methodology will take place. This workshop may be of special interest for bulletins with limited capacities to do their own drug assessments. There will be no extra charge for this workshop. **If you wish to take part in it, you should plan to leave on Wednesday evening (March 28).**

If you do not plan to participate in the workshop, you can plan to leave Wednesday (March 28).

Travel advice

Canada demands visa for nationals coming from many countries.

If you need a formal invitation letter, ask for it to the resource persons in charge of the organization at *Therapeutics Initiative* using this e-mail address: isdb-2012@ti.ubc.ca

Do you need financial support from ISDB to be able to come?

ISDB will fund the travel and accommodation of the Committee members, speakers that do belong to bulletins/organizations that have not the financial resources to fund their travel. ISDB can additionally fund several travels and accommodations for members who need it.

To ask for ISDB financial support, send your request to ISDB treasurer (SIAIC@druginfo.ph) with copy to ISDB President (president@isdbweb.org) if possible before end of January 2012.

No per diem will be paid.

Thanks to *Therapeutics Initiative* for the organization!

End of October 2011, *Therapeutics Initiative's* team (Christopher Adlparvar, Ciprian Jauca, Jim Wright) participated in ISDB Committee meeting in Pamplona.

The Committee was pleased to see that it can rely on a motivated local team to organize next General Assembly.

A lot had already been achieved: location found (at Loon Lake Centre), program adapted with inclusion of social events, work sharing among the team defined, resource persons for several workshops found, etc.

And *Therapeutics Initiative's* team kindly agreed to collect the General Assembly fees to be paid by each participant for the accommodation (read below).

Thanks a lot!