

EMPOWERING PARTNERSHIPS: FROM NEED TO SUSTAINABLE SOLUTIONS PROGRAMME

DATE & TIME 28th November 2025, 9.30AM-5.30PM Location Corpus Christi College. University of Oxford

9.00-9.30AM REGISTRATION AND COFFEE

9.30AM WELCOME - PROFESSOR ARJUNE SEN (UNIVERSITY OF OXFORD) AND PROFESSOR KEVIN TALBOT (UNIVERSITY OF OXFORD)

SESSION 1: SETTING THE SCENE - CHAIR: PROFESSOR HELEN CROSS (UNIVERSITY COLLEGE LONDON)

9.45-10.00am Setting the scene - Dr Neerja Chowdhary (World Health Organization)

10.00-10.15am The lived experience perspective - Mr Action Amos (International Bureau for Epilepsy)

10.15-10.25am The neurological perspective - Dr Gift Ngwende (University of Zimbabwe)
 10.25-10.35am The mental health perspective - Dr Tatiana Salisbury (King's College London)
 10.35-10.45am The public health perspective - Dr Mahesh Maskey (Nepal Public Health Foundation)

10.45-10.55am Questions

10.55-11.15AM BREAK

SESSION 2: CHALLENGES PANEL I: CLOSING THE DIAGNOSTIC GAP

11.15-12.10PM DIAGNOSTIC GAPS IN GLOBAL MIND BRAIN HEALTH AND HOW WE CAN WORK TOGETHER TO CLOSE THEM

Chair: Professor Sassy Molyneux (University of Oxford)

Panellists: Dr Neerja Chowdhary (World Health Organization), Dr Ritz Kakuma (London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine), Professor Charles Newton (University of Oxford/KEMRI-Wellcome), Dr Gift Ngwende (University of Zimbabwe)

SESSION 3: CHALLENGES PANEL II: RETHINKING TREATMENT ACCESS

12.15-1.10PM HOW CAN WE INNOVATE SUPPLY CHAINS TO EXPEDITE APPROPRIATE TREATMENT ACCESS?

Chair: Professor Mike English (University of Oxford)

Panellists: Dr Rahel Belete (Clinton Health Access Initiative), Professor Michelle Heys (University College London),

Professor Kevin Marsh (University of Oxford)

1.10-2.00PM LUNCH, MAIN HALL, CORPUS CHRISTI COLLEGE

SESSION 4: SOLUTIONS PANEL I: MEANINGFULLY EMBEDDING LIVED EXPERIENCE (FIRESIDE CHAT)

2.00-2.50PM FROM AWARENESS TO ACTION: ENDING STIGMA IN SYSTEMS AND SOCIETY

Chair: Professor Ginny Bond (London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine)

Panellists: Mr Action Amos (International Bureau for Epilepsy), Professor Sloan Mahone (University of Oxford)

SESSION 5: SOLUTIONS PANEL II: TECH WITH PURPOSE

2.55-3.45PM HARNESSING INNOVATION TO ADVANCE BRAIN HEALTH FOR ALL

Chair: Mr Ben Howlett (Chamber UK)

Panellists: Professor Gari Clifford (Emory University), Professor Tim Denison (University of Oxford), Professor Trudie Lang (The Global Health Network), Professor Mauricio Villarroel (University of Oxford)

3.45-4.05PM BREAK

SESSION 6: SOLUTIONS PANEL III: DRIVING SUSTAINABLE CHANGE
4.20-5.20PM SECURING THE FUTURE OF GLOBAL MIND BRAIN HEALTH

Chair: Professor Arjune Sen (University of Oxford)

Panellists: Ambassador for Kenya (TBC), His Excellency Do Minh Hung (Ambassador for Vietnam), Mr Pankaj Gupta (Gulf Islamic Investments), Professor Kara Hanson (NIHR), Professor Bruno Holthof (UCB), Dr Mahesh Maskey (Nepal

Public Health Foundation), Professor Stavros Petrou, (University of Oxford)

5.20PM CONCLUDING REMARKS AND DRINKS RECEPTION





