

Joint Colloquium Day ITM - DGDC - Be-cause Health
“Towards Universal Health Coverage in developing countries”

Innovative strategies to implement the right to quality health services for the most vulnerable populations

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Objectives and expected results

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1. To clarify a possible road map for Universal Health Coverage in particular for disadvantaged population groups, the so called 'bottom billion';
2. To valorise the emerging voices in the global health debate;
3. To sensitize and mobilise the different stakeholders to the responsibility we all have to enhance access to health and health services.
4. To discuss major global policy trends and tools, such as:
 - Millennium Development Goals, after the September summit. In particular, how to link MDG 5 to Universal Health Coverage;
 - The EC Global Health Communication, and how to turn it into action;
 - The highlights of the upcoming 2010 World Health Report;

The colloquium is aimed at the following expected results :

1. Innovative strategies to enhance Universal Health coverage, and to link them with the MDGs, have been proposed. This implies specific modalities to reach and involve the 'bottom billion';
2. Participants are aware of their potential to contribute to the worldwide efforts to enhance access and health coverage;
3. Innovative recommendations at the political and operational level have been put forward for the public and private Belgian, European and international stakeholders in health development cooperation;
4. Emerging voices expressed new views, findings and strategies and the research agenda has been updated.