

# IPH Summer School 11.29<sup>th</sup> – 12.11<sup>th</sup> 2009, Stellenbosch, South Africa

## Announcement:



## IPH Summer School: "HIV as a Family Health Problem"

According to estimates by WHO and UNAIDS, 33 million people were living with HIV at the end of 2007. That same year, some 2.7 million people became newly infected. Of those 420 000 were children, the vast majority of them through Mother to Child Transmission (MTCT). MTCT is almost entirely preventable, where knowledge and services are available. Nevertheless the epidemic continues to inflict significant damage on affected households, with particularly harmful effects on women and children.

The epidemic is affecting every country of the globe and although local differences in terms of prevalence, socio-economic impact and national approach exist, basic principles of treatment and care of this viral infection apply to all, and intense international exchange of knowledge is of utmost importance to address this disease adequately.

To facilitate this exchange of knowledge among physicians involved in treatment and care of HIV internationally, the International Partnership on HIV (IPH), a network of organisations involved in HIV treatment and care from South Africa, Lesotho, Germany and Ukraine, is continuing its series of annual summer schools of which the second will be held in Stellenbosch, South Africa between the .

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The school aims to bring together physicians involved in HIV therapy from diverse settings, to exchange knowledge and experience focusing on relevant linkages and parallels between the different therapeutic approaches. Next to giving scientific information about Co-infections, Pharmacokinetics and Public Health the summer school has a strong focus on Reproductive Health, PMTCT, Prevention and Control. Working Language will be English.

### Who can apply?

Target groups are physicians and final year medical students originating from developing countries or eastern Europe who have been studying at any German medical faculty and are currently practically involved in treatment and care of HIV/AIDS. The training will be very clinically orientated hence participants will be selected in respect to the expected direct relevance of the curriculum to their current work.

Due to the kind support of the DAAD, scholarships can be offered which include accommodation and travel allowance.

For further information and for application please refer to:

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Closing date for applications:  
October 11<sup>th</sup> 2009

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