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**Leveraging Advances in Health IT to Prevent and Combat the Spread of Avian Influenza and other Infectious Diseases**

Panelist (& Bio)	Topic for Panel
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<p><b>Steven Yeo is Vice President and Executive Director, Asia Pacific, for the Healthcare Information and Management Systems Society (HIMSS).</b> Prior to joining HIMSS, he was the Director for Intel Digital Health Group Asia. He was also Vice President of Asia at RosettaNet. At Intel, he held various other appointments during his 10 years with the company, which included managing Internet marketing &amp; e-commerce, supply chain end-to-end e-business applications and management, and standards management. He received his MBA from National University of Singapore with the Asia Pacific Executive MBA program; he received a Bachelor of Commerce degree (Honors) from Dalhousie University.</p>	<p><i>Emcee</i></p>
<p><b>Dr. Chong Yoke Sin is the CEO of IHIS, Integrated Health Information Systems,</b> a wholly owned company of the Ministry of Health Holdings Group. She was previously the CEO of the NCS and was instrumental in its growth as a regional IT company with businesses in China, Australia, Middle East and South East Asia. Dr Chong is also a Board member of the Health Sciences Authority of Singapore, Honorary Secretary of the Board for CHIJ Schools, Honorary Treasurer of the Singapore Kindness Movement, Chairman of Innova Junior College Advisory Board and member of the Institute of Systems Science Advisory Board. She is also a certified Healthcare Informatics Management professional (CPHIMS).</p>	<p><i>Keynote Speaker</i></p>
<p><b>Mehdi Khaled, M.D., is Vice President for Healthcare and Life Sciences (JAPAC) at Oracle Corporation.</b> He is a medical doctor specializing in internal medicine and holds a degree in IT and software engineering. He served as Senior IT Consultant and Project Reviewer on healthcare projects and was the Strategy and New Market Development Leader for T-Systems (Europe and Latin America). He was appointed the lead at SAP for Healthcare in Asia. Mehdi has conducted research on a series of Advanced Medical Devices, in collaboration with professionals from the Semi-conductor Industry. He is a Member of the Fellowship of Inventors in Singapore.</p>	<p><i>Panel I Moderator: Research and Information Sharing</i></p>
<p><b>Dr. Vo Thi Kim (Lily) Hue is the Director of the Department of Training, Research and Community Child Health at the Vietnam National Hospital of Pediatrics.</b> She graduated from the St. Petersburg Medical Pediatric University, Russia in 1978. From there she worked as a Pediatrician at the Vietnam National Hospital of Pediatrics until 2004, when she became Director of the Department of Training, Research and Community Child Health. She undertook her postgraduate training in Sweden for one year on Pediatrics and in Australia for two years on Pediatric Endocrinology. In 2000, she got her PhD in the area of adrenal diseases in Children at Hanoi Medical University.</p>	<p><i>Panel I: Research and Information Sharing</i></p>
<p><b>Dr. CP Wong is Chairman of the Clinical Informatics Program Executive Group of the Hong Kong Hospital Authority.</b> He is appointed as the Consultant Geriatrician and Chief of Integrated Medical Services of Ruttonjee &amp; Tang Shiu Kin Hospitals. He is also Immediate Past President of the Asia Pacific Association for Medical Informatics (APAMI) and currently Chairman of the Hong Kong Society of Medical Informatics. He is a member</p>	<p><i>Panel I: Research and Information Sharing</i></p>

<p>of the Editorial Board of the International Journal of Medical Informatics and the Asia Pacific electronic Journal of Health Informatics. He is a co-founder of the eHealth Consortium in Hong Kong.</p>	
<p><b>Dr. Suwit Wibulpolprasert is a Senior Advisor on Disease Control for the Thai Ministry of Public Health.</b> Dr. Suwit served as Deputy Permanent Secretary of the Thai Ministry of Public Health and a Senior Advisor in Health Economics. He has represented Thailand in many international health forums and has chaired several Steering Committees and Executive Boards such as the WHO Executive Board, the UNAIDS Programme Coordinating Committee, the Health Metrics Network, the Asia-Pacific Action Alliance on Human Resources for Health, the Asian Partnership on Avian Influenza Research, the Program and Policy Committee of the Global Health Workforce Alliance, and the President of the Intergovernmental Forum on Chemical Safety.</p>	<p><i>Panel I: Research and Information Sharing</i></p>
<p><b>Dr. Leslie Mancuso is the President and CEO of Jhpiego, an international non-profit health organization affiliated with the Johns Hopkins University in Baltimore, Maryland.</b> Dr. Mancuso is a recognized international business leader with a track record of success for bringing accountability and navigating change in the international nonprofit world, and has worked for over 20 years developing public/private partnerships to help improve the health of women and families. Dr. Mancuso is a Fellow of the American Academy of Nursing and The American Society of Association Executives &amp; The Center for Association Leadership. Dr. Mancuso received an Honorary Doctor of Science degree from Shenandoah University.</p>	<p><i>Breakout Session Discussion Leader: Maternal and Neonatal Health</i></p>
<p><b>Dr. Boonchai Kijsanayotin is a Thai physician.</b> He had worked in a rural public general hospital for 15 years as an internal medicine clinician and had overseen the hospital information system before being awarded the Royal Thai Government scholarship to study Health Informatics at the University of Minnesota in 2001. He had involved in Thailand Ministry of Public Health's Telemedicine project as a chief of the hospital's telemedicine office before leaving Thailand to pursue the informatics PhD degree. His PhD research was the study of health IT adoption in Thailand's health centers. His working area and research interest are health IT adoption, health information exchanges and national health information standards. Currently, he is the health informatician at Bureau of Policy and Strategy, Ministry of Public Health Thailand.</p>	<p><i>Breakout Session Discussion Leader: Health Workers on the Ground and How They Use IT</i></p>
<p><b>Claire Topal is the Director for the Center for Health and Aging (CHA) at the National Bureau of Asian Research.</b> She is the project lead for the Pacific Health Summit and directs research, publications, and health policy labs. She has worked at the International Desk of the Associated Press and for the social science journal Issues &amp; Studies: An International Quarterly on China, Taiwan, and East Asian Affairs. Ms. Topal holds an AB in French and Studies in Modernism, Phi Beta Kappa, cum laude, from Cornell University and an MA in Pacific Asia Studies and Conflict Resolution from the Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy.</p>	<p><i>Panel II Moderator: Challenges and Lessons Learned</i></p>
<p><b>Jack Yu-Chuan Li, MD, PhD, is Vice President of the Asia-Pacific Association for Medical Informatics and Professor and Chair at National Yang-Ming University's Institute of Biomedical Informatics in Taipei.</b> Previously, he was Professor and Chair of the Graduate Institute of Medical Informatics and the Vice Superintendent of Wan Fang Hospital, Taipei Medical University. Dr. Li is President-Elect of the Asia Pacific Association for Medical Informatics for 2006, and he founded the Graduate Institute of Medical Informatics in Taipei Medical University. Dr. Li was also the President of the Taiwan Association for Medical Informatics from 1999-2003. He was honored with one of the Ten Outstanding Young Persons of the Year awards in 2001.</p>	<p><i>Panel II: Challenges and Lessons Learned</i></p>
<p><b>Dr. Rod Hoff is the Executive Director of the REDI Center.</b> Prior to his appointment, Dr. Hoff worked on HIV/AIDS at the US National Institutes of Health where he organized and directed the Comprehensive International Program of Research on AIDS (CIPRA), which provided long-term research and infrastructure support for developing country research organizations. He also organized the HIVNET and HPTN clinical trial networks for</p>	<p><i>Panel II: Challenges and Lessons Learned</i></p>

<p>evaluating HIV vaccines and other preventive interventions for HIV/AIDS and initiated international research projects on SARS and avian influenza. Dr. Hoff has held faculty positions at Harvard School of Public Health and Tufts Medical School. He has a Bachelors degree from the University of Wisconsin, a MPH from UNC Chapel Hill and a MSPH and Doctor of Science Degree in Tropical Public Health from Harvard University.</p>	
<p><b>Lysander Menezes, PhD is Research Advisor to PATH – India Program.</b> Lysander’s interest lies in Designing Viable Diagnostics – IT Architectures, thinking influenced by the Economic Epidemiology of Infectious Diseases. His exposure to Artificial Life Modeling, as a Harvard – MIT Artificial Life Group member, has formed his perspective: co-evolutionary learning in strategic environments will aid design of Health IT architectures in low resource settings. He has been educated at Northwestern and Harvard; Max Planck Institute of Demographic Research, Rostock, Germany and did his doctorate from the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare; Government of India sponsored International Institute for Population Studies (IIPS), Mumbai, India.</p>	<p><i>Panel II: Challenges and Lessons Learned</i></p>
<p><b>Ms. Bersabel Ephrem is the Director General of International Affairs Directorate at Department of Health in Canada.</b> She is responsible for multilateral and bilateral relations. Prior to that, Ms Ephrem was the Associate Director General of the Centre for Infectious Disease Prevention and Control, of the Public Health Agency of Canada. From September 2006 to February 2008, Ms. Ephrem served as the chair of the APEC Health Working Group. She was instrumental in achieving a permanent status of the APEC Health Working Group. She received her B.Sc. in Physical Life Sciences from Wilson College in the United States and a Master's degree in Public Administration from Carleton University in Canada.</p>	<p><i>Panel III Moderator: Facilitating Dialogue and Exchange</i></p>
<p><b>Gabe Rijpma is the Healthcare and Social Services industry director for Public Sector in Microsoft Asia Pacific.</b> He has been with Microsoft since 2000, serving as an enterprise solution architect and a principle technology specialist. Prior to joining Microsoft, Gabe worked as principal consultant at Software Spectrum in Sydney, Australia, where he led the business solutions practice. Before his move to Australia, Gabe was based in Christchurch, New Zealand, where, as an entrepreneur, he was an early pioneer in Internet consulting and Internet business development. Gabe is an executive committee member of the New Zealand Chamber of Commerce in Singapore.</p>	<p><i>Panel III: Facilitating Dialogue and Exchange</i></p>
<p><b>Dr. Duane Gubler is Director of the Program on Emerging Infectious Diseases, Duke-NUS Graduate Medical School in Singapore and the Asia-Pacific Institute of Tropical Medicine and Infectious Diseases, University of Hawaii.</b> He served as Director of the Division of Vector-Borne Infectious Diseases, National Center for Infectious Diseases, Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and as Chief of CDC’s Dengue Branch. He has served on WHO committees and study groups, Pediatric Dengue Vaccine Initiative Board of Counselors, and currently on the Scientific Advisory Boards of the Novartis Institute of Tropical Diseases and the Emerging Diseases in a Changing European Environment Program.</p>	<p><i>Panel III: Facilitating Dialogue and Exchange</i></p>
<p><b>HE Dr. Hernan Garrido-Lecca is President of Acuisur SAC, and Director of Desarrollos Salkantay SAC, Compania Agricola Andahuasi SAA, and Neotex Industrial SAC.</b> He is also Professor of Economics of the Universidad de San Marin de Porres, and President of the Peruvian Inventors Society. Dr. Garrido-Lecca previously served as Minister of Housing, Construction and Sanitation, and Minister of Health. He is also an entrepreneur, a journalist, an inventor, a screen writer and producer, and a prolific author. He obtained a B.A. in Economics at the Universidad del Pacifico (Lima), a Master’s in Public Administration at Harvard University, a Master’s in Science and Technology at Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT), and a Ph.D. in Applied Economics at Universidad de Sevilla, Spain.</p>	<p><i>Panel III: Facilitating Dialogue and Exchange</i></p>