

## Conference Speaker Biographies

### Dr June Crown – Welcome

June is a long-standing member of Medact and has been its President since 1993. She is a public health physician, and has frequently acted as a special advisor to the WHO and overseas governments. She was President of the United Kingdom Faculty of Public Health from 1995 to 1998 and has served as Chairman of Age Concerns England and Trustee of Help the Aged.



### Andy Haines - The Global Health Crises

Andy was Director of the London School of Hygiene & Tropical Medicine from 2001-2010 and continues as Professor of Public Health and Primary Care. A founder and former vice president of Medact, Andy has been involved in many WHO activities and remains a member of the UN Sustainable Development Solutions.

### Dr David McCoy - The Global Health Crises

David is a senior clinical lecturer at the Centre for Primary Care and Public Health at Queen Mary University London, and Chair of the Board of Trustees of Medact. David has worked as an academic at UCL (in global health) and as a public health physician in the NHS. He has a doctorate from the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine, and was the instigator and Managing Editor for the first and second 'alternative world health reports' (Global Health Watch).



## Session Two

Working Upstream, Confronting Power and Vested Interests



### Richard Horton – Chair

Richard Horton is Editor-in-Chief of *The Lancet*, with a strong interest in global health. He was the first President of the World Association of Medical Editors and is an honorary professor at the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine and the University of Oslo. He is a Senior Associate of the UK health-policy think-tank, the Nuffield Trust.

## Panellist's Page One

### John Hilary – Panellist

John is Executive Director of War on Want. He has worked for the past 25 years in the field of international development and human rights, and has authored numerous publications on globalisation, trade and development. His new book: The Poverty of Capitalism is published by Pluto Press.



### Tamasin Cave – Panellist

Tamasin is a researcher and campaigner, and leads the UK campaign for greater transparency in lobbying. She is a director of Public Interest Investigations, a non-profit organisation which investigates political, social, environmental and health issues in the UK and Europe. Tamasin's work has made the front pages of UK national papers, including The Sunday Times, The Observer and The Guardian.



### Sir Iain Chalmers – Panellist

Iain Chalmers practised as a clinician for seven years in the UK and the Gaza Strip, before becoming a full time health services researcher. He is a founding director of the National Perinatal Epidemiology Unit and the UK Cochrane Centre. Since 2003, he has coordinated the James Lind Initiative to promote public and professional acknowledgement of the need to address uncertainties about the effects of treatments. He was knighted in 2000 for services to health care.



## Panellists Page Two

### Patti Rundall OBE – Panellist

Patti Rundall has worked for some 30 years with Baby Milk Action and is now the Co-Chair of the global network IBFAN, campaigning for effective controls on the marketing and labelling of foods for infants and young children. She is a founder of the Conflict of Interest Coalition and a coordinator of the 20 country Nestle Boycott.



### **John Lister – Panellist**

John has written and researched extensively on health services and health policy issues for trade union and other organizations for over 28 years. More recently, John played a leading role in a 7-country EU-funded project to improve the training of Health Reporters. John is a founder member of Keep Our NHS Public campaign, and has been a board member since 2005.



### **Professor Allyson Pollock – Panellist**

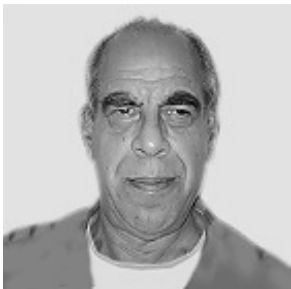
Allyson Pollock is Professor of Public Health Research & Policy at Queen Mary, University of London. She is one of the UK's leading medical intellectuals, and undertakes research and teaching intended to assist the realisation of the principles of social justice and public health. Allyson is the author of *NHS plc* and co-author of *The New NHS: a guide*.

### **Cameron Stocks – Panellist**

Cameron is the National Director of Medsin, the UK's student global health network. After completing a BA at the University of Cambridge, Cameron is now studying clinical medicine at Barts. He has worked in South Africa, Vietnam and Geneva, and is a social media consultant in his spare time.



## **Parallel Sessions**



### **Frank Arnold**

Frank Arnold did basic training in surgery, then clinical and experimental research in angiogenesis at the Patterson labs and Oxford Wound Healing Institute. He applied his experience of tissue repair to the assessment of evidence of torture, writing over 1000 medico-legal reports. He has worked with the Medical and Helen Bamber Foundations and initiated the Medical Justice Network, where he was first medical advisor.

### **Lynn Barnett**

Lynn Barnett trained as a psychologist and social worker in Australia and an anthropologist in London. She did field work in New Guinea, Crete and London before further training in child/adolescent psychotherapy at the Tavistock Clinic and adult therapy at the British Association of Psychotherapists. A longstanding member of Medact, Lynn founded and chaired its working group SPINA which contributed a psycho-social dimension to the campaign.



### **Sunil Bhopal**

Through Medsin, Sunil campaigned as a student on issues including climate change, NHS reforms and UK doctor/industry interactions, including organising a short-course on 'The Pharmaceutical Industry and Health' at the University of Leeds. More recently he was part of the team behind Big Society NHS and [www.whosupportsnhsreforms.org.uk](http://www.whosupportsnhsreforms.org.uk) He is currently working in Paediatrics and academic international child health from his base in Newcastle upon Tyne.

### **Guppi Bola**

Guppi Bola is a writer, researcher and activist working in the field of public health. She has written for the Guardian, Open Democracy, New Left Project and New Statesman, and has recently published '*Zero Carbon Britain for Health*' and '*The Future of our Health*'. She has co-founded several health campaigns such as Healthy Planet and Big Society NHS.



### **Frank Boulton**

Frank Boulton is a member of the Board of Medact and former Aldermaston Marcher. He is a retired NHS physician and former civilian consultant advisor to HM Armed Forces in blood transfusion. He is a member of the Religious Society of Friends (Quakers).

### **Isobel Braithwaite**

Isobel Braithwaite is currently a fourth year medical student, having recently returned to medicine at UCL after a year studying Public Health at the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine. Since July 2012 she has been the coordinator of Healthy Planet UK, a group affiliated to, and which collaborates closely with, Medsin-UK.



### **Peter Burt**

Peter Burt has been Project Director at Nuclear Information Service since 2009. With an academic and regulatory sector background in environmental management and 25 years experience in research on the UK's nuclear weapons, he undertakes the lead research and project management role for Nuclear Information Service.

### **Miran Epstein**

Miran is currently Reader in Medical Ethics at Barts and The London School of Medicine, and has published extensively on a wide spectrum of issues in medical ethics. Miran is a Key Opinion Leader on Organ Transplantation (TTS) and a UK Emissary on behalf of the Declaration of Istanbul on Organ Trafficking and Transplant Tourism Custodian Group.



### **Maya Foe**

As Acting Director of the Death Penalty Team, Maya Foe is responsible for overseeing the Death Penalty Team strategy and running Reprieve's Stop the Lethal Injection Project (SLIP) and Stop Aid For Executions project (SAFE). Maya joined reprieve in October 2010. She began as a volunteer in the Death Penalty Team, researching the source of drugs due to be used in US executions. Her work on this issue led to a successful judicial review of the UK government's export policy in 2010, and developed into one of Reprieve's most acclaimed projects, the Stop the Lethal Injection Project (SLIP), which has been running for three years.

### **Xanthe Hall**

Xanthe Hall is a disarmament expert and international campaigner for the International Physicians for the Prevention of Nuclear War (IPPNW). She is a spokesperson for the German abolition network "Abolish Nuclear Weapons - starting here" that she co-founded in 1994 and a consultant to the Middle Powers Initiative.



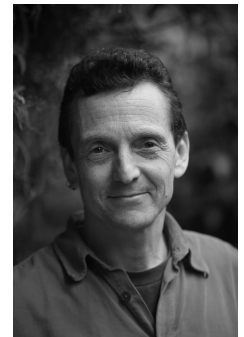
### **Cornelius Katona**



In 2012, Cornelius Katona was appointed Medical Director of the Helen Bamber Foundation (HBF), a charity that works with victims of human rights abuses such as torture, trafficking and domestic violence. He has prepared nearly 1000 medico-legal reports on the mental health of asylum seekers who have experienced such abuse. He is the author of over 200 peer-reviewed articles and author/editor of 15 books. He is co-chair of the World Psychiatric Association section of affective disorders, Chair of the World Federation of Societies of Biological Psychiatry Taskforce on Old Age and co-founder and vice-president of the International Society for Affective Disorders.

### **Charlie Kronick**

Charlie Kronick is Senior Climate Advisor at Greenpeace UK. He has worked in the fields of environment and development as an activist, campaigner, thinker and writer for over 20 years. He has focussed for most of the last decade on energy and climate change related issues; and recently on the risks to capital markets from investment in high carbon infrastructure; other areas of work have included transport and road building, sustainable agriculture and the environmental and social impacts of corporate globalisation. He trained as a historian and historical bibliographer/rare book librarian.



### **Gay Lee**

I am a practicing part time nurse, specialising in hands-on palliative care and have also been a community development worker and midwife in past lives. I have been a member of Medact since its beginning 20 years ago and I've served on 2 occasions on the Medact Board. I was also a member of Medical Campaign against Nuclear Weapons, Medact's predecessor. My main campaigning interests are: against the privatisation of the NHS, nuclear weapons and drones.



### Patricia Lewis

Patricia Lewis is Research Director of International Security at Chatham House. She is expert in international security relations and treaties; defence policy; science and technology policies; weapons of mass destruction (nuclear, chemical and biological) and conventional armaments; and arms control, non-proliferation and disarmament.



### Professor David Miller

David Miller is a Professor of Sociology at the University of Bath. He is also a director of Public Interest Investigations, a non-profit company that runs the websites [spinwatch.org](http://spinwatch.org) and [powerbase.info](http://powerbase.info). He is a co-author of several publications including: *A Century of Spin: How Public Relations Became the Cutting Edge of Corporate Power*. Pluto 2008.

### Geof Rayner

Geof works across the health / ecology divide, arguing for an integrative and ecological perspective on science and art, policy and advocacy. Geof has been a trustee of the National Council of Voluntary Organisations, was the first chair of the UK Public Health Association, and is currently honorary visiting research fellow at City University London.



### Nikki Scott

Nikki Scott is an academic foundation year one doctor at the Royal Liverpool Hospital having graduated last year from the Hull York Medical School. She studied global health at King's College London and was the National Coordinator for the charity 'Students for Kids International Project'. She is currently involved in the new branch of Alma Mata in the Merseyside area.

### **Dr Robin Stott**

Dr Robin Stott a former consultant physician and medical teacher, his expertise is in health. He began work on sustainability issues as Medical Director of Lewisham Hospital and lead the first ever social, environmental and economic audit of a hospital. He was a founding member of the London Sustainable Development Commission (LSDC) and has been the sustainability advisor to the Mayor of Lewisham for the past five years. He is trustee of two charities, BioRegional Development Group and Medact.



### **Liz Waterston**

Liz retired from General Practice in 2003, and has been on Medact's Board for 11 years. As International Councillor for Medact she is involved with IPPNW delegations to dialogue with decision-makers. Liz has recently been on dialogue meetings in Brussels with NATO and the office of Baroness Ashton and also in Turkey at the IPPNW Middle East regional affiliate meeting.

### **Jim Welsh**

Jim started his work with Amnesty International in London as a volunteer activist in 1981, and is now a staff member responsible for an international network of members and for a range of advisory and advocacy roles within the International Secretariat. Jim has published a number of chapters and papers on matters such as the role of NGOs in responding to trauma; hunger strikes; and, most recently, on mental health and the death penalty.



### **Dr Jeremy Wight**

Jeremy Wight is the Director of Public Health NHS Sheffield and Sheffield City Council. Jeremy's current role is leading public health within Sheffield. This means running the directorate within NHS Sheffield, providing public health advice to the NHS Sheffield Board and Sheffield City Council, and leading the Healthy Sheffield Network.



## David Woodward

David Woodward is an independent writer and researcher on development issues, and a Fellow of NEW (the New Economics Foundation). He is the author of *Debt, Adjustment and Poverty in Developing Countries*, and has previously worked in the office of the UK Executive Director to the IMF and World Bank, and as an Economic Adviser to the Foreign Commonwealth on development issues



## Closing Speech



## Dr Jacky Davis

Jacky Davis is a consultant radiologist in north London, co-chair of the NHS Consultants' Association, and an executive member of the National Health Action party. *NHS SOS: How the NHS Was Betrayed and How We Can Save It*, edited by Jacky Davis and Ray Tallis is published by Oneworld