

Dear Colleagues, Supporters, and Friends of the World Sepsis Day,

under the auspices of the German Federal Minister of Health, Hermann Gröhe, a symposium of the German National Academy of Sciences Leopoldina addressing the topic of sepsis will take place on 10/11 March 2016 in Jena. All talks will be held in English.

Each year, more than 30 million people develop sepsis worldwide; around one fifth of these patients die. Surviving patients often suffer from after effects for the rest of their lives. This is all the more unfortunate because many of these cases could be avoided or alleviated by prevention, early recognition and optimized treatment.

However, fighting sepsis cannot be done single-handedly. Joint efforts, action plans and resolutions on a national and international level are needed to fight sepsis efficiently.

For this reason, Minister Gröhe's announcement that the five German speaking Ministers of Health will advocate that the World Health Assembly adopt a resolution on sepsis is highly appreciated. With this, one of the Global Sepsis Alliance's main demands is met.
www.world-sepsis-day.org

Main topics of the symposium program:

- Achim Steiner, Executive Director of United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) and Under-Secretary-General of the United Nations will give the symposium's opening talk on: "Role of poverty and environment for public health".
- Representatives of WHO and Médecins sans frontières will report on the lessons learnt from the ebola crisis and about challenges that need to be faced for fighting sepsis in resource poor settings.
- Several lectures from around the globe on successful quality improvement initiatives for sepsis prevention and sepsis management will be given.
- Highly ranked policy makers, representatives of national and international health care authorities, most renowned clinical scientists, basic researchers, representatives of highly innovative diagnostic and pharmaceutical companies, media and communication experts and sepsis survivors will present different aspects of sepsis and learn from each other about the most effective ways to fight sepsis.

You are cordially invited to join the symposium.

Participation is free of charge but registration is required.

Advanced training points have been applied for at the State Chamber of Physicians of Thuringia. All talks are held in English. Please note that we cannot reimburse your travel expenses.

Program: www.csccl.uniklinikum-jena.de/csccl_media/Leopoldina_Program_2016_01_05-p-794.pdf

Registration: www.csccl.uniklinikum-jena.de/registration.html

Please feel free to forward this email to our colleagues!

We hope to see you in March!

Warm regards,

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