

HTAi Regional Meeting
Hosted by HTAi & the Azerbaijan Ministry of Health

Baku, Azerbaijan - October 19, 2022

Topic: **Integrating HTA into Health Care Reforms in Central Asia**
Co-Hosts: Azerbaijan Ministry of Health and Health Technology Assessment International
Target Audience: 1. MoH specialists working on pricing, reimbursement, standardization, and policy
2. Clinicians, opinion-leaders (clinical experts)
3. Patients and their representatives, patient organizations
4. Academy: scientists, consultants, independent researchers, public health specialists, experts in healthcare policy

Format: In-person

Conference Agenda

- 08:00 – 09:30 **Registration and Materials Pick-up**
- 09:30 – 10:00 **Conference Opening and Welcoming Remarks**
Minister of Health
Wija Oortwijn, President of HTAi; Radboud University Medical Centre, the Netherlands
- 10:00 – 10:40 **Keynote 1: Tomorrow is Today – HTA and the Promise of Accessible, Equitable, Impactful Healthcare for Everyone**
Moderator: Rabia Kahveci, Vice-President of HTAi; Senior Technical Advisor for USAID’s SAFEMed, Management Sciences for Health, Ukraine/Turkey
Keynote Speaker: Javier Guzman, Director, Global Health Policy and Senior Policy Fellow, Centre for Global Development, USA
- 10:40 – 11:00 **Coffee Break and Networking**
- 11:00 – 12:10 **Plenary Panel 1: What are the Conditions That Need to Be Present for HTA to Take Off?**
Moderator: Dr Gahraman Hagverdiyev, Director, Public Health and Reforms center of Ministry of Health, Azerbaijan
Speakers:
- Krzysztof Landa, President of Health Commission of the Business Centre Club; former Deputy Minister of Health in Poland 2015-2017, Poland
 - Oresta Piniashko, Director of the HTA Department of State Expert Center, Ministry of Health, Ukraine
- Panelists:**
- Birol Tibet, Vice-President, Turkish Evidence Based Medicine Association, Turkey
 - Bermet Baryktabasova, Chief of Medical trade Union, Kyrgyz Republic
- 12:10 – 13:20 **Plenary Panel 2: The EU Regulation on HTA and Implications for Countries Outside the EU**
Moderator: Dr Gahraman Hagverdiyev, Director, Public Health and Reforms center of Ministry of Health, Azerbaijan
Speaker: Wim Goettsch, HTAi Director; Associate Professor HTA. Utrecht University: Special Advisor HTA, National Health Care Institute (ZIN), The Netherlands
Panelist: Dr Nabil Seyidov, Head of Health Policy and Planning Department, Public Health and Reforms Center of Ministry of Health, Azerbaijan

- 13:20 – 14:20 **Lunch**
- 14:20 – 15:30 **Plenary Panel 3: Towards Institutionalization of HTA: What a Roadmap Could Mean for Countries in Central Asia**
Moderators:
- Alima Almadijeva, Deputy Chairperson
 - Salidat Kairbekobva National Research Center for Health Development, Kazakhstan
- Speaker:** Rabia Kahveci, Vice-President of HTAi; Senior Technical Advisor for USAID’s SAFEMed, Management Sciences for Health, Ukraine/Turkey
- Panelists:**
- Tatiana Kulesha, Chair of the Board of Rare Diseases of Ukraine
 - Baktygul Kambaralieva, Expert of the Department of the Decisions Examination of the President's Office and the Cabinet of Ministers of the Kyrgyz Republic
- 15:30 – 16:40 **Plenary Panel 4: How is HTA Related to Universal Health Coverage?**
Moderators:
- Alima Almadijeva, Deputy Chairperson, Salidat Kairbekobva National Research Center for Health Development, Kazakhstan
- Speaker:** Wija Oortwijn, President of HTAi; Radboud University Medical Centre, the Netherlands
- Panelists:**
- Alexandr Kostyuk, Chair of Salidat Kairbekova National Research Center for Health Development, Kazakhstan
 - Javier Guzman, Director, Global Health Policy and Senior Policy Fellow, Centre for Global Development, USA
- 16:40 – 17:00 **Coffee Break and Networking**
- 17:00 – 17:45 **Synthesis – Working Together to Accelerate HTA in the Region**
Moderator: Cliff Goodman, Senior Vice President, Comparative Effectiveness Research, LewinGroup
- Panelists:**
- Prof. Gokhan Tuna Ozturk (General Manager of Health Insurance, Social Security Institution, Turkey)
 - Dr. Nabil Seyidov, Head of Health Policy And Planning Department, Public Health and Reforms Center of Ministry of Health, Azerbaijan
 - Prof Hikmatulla Zainutdinov, Laureate of the Academy of Sciences of Uzbekistan, Pharmaceutical Institute of Education and Research, Uzbekistan
 - Alexandr Kostyuk, Chair of Salidat Kairbekova National Research Center for Health Development, Kazakhstan
 - Bermet Baryktabasova, Chief of Medical Trade Union, Kyrgyzstan
- 17:45– 18:00 **Conference Closing Remarks**
- Wija Oortwijn, President of HTAi; Radboud University Medical Centre, the Netherlands
 - Dr Gahraman Hagverdiyev, Director, Public Health and Reforms center of Ministry of Health, Azerbaijan