



Plenary Speaker Bios

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Substance Use and Harm Reduction

Adeeba Kamarulzaman is Head Professor of Infectious Diseases at the University of Malaya in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, where she manages the HIV/AIDS tertiary referral and research center. In addition to her clinical and academic commitments, she has been actively involved in the community response to HIV/AIDS in Malaysia. As convener of the Malaysian Harm Reduction Working Group of the Malaysian AIDS Council, she successfully advocated for implementation of harm reduction in Malaysia in 2005, including the use of oral substitution therapy and syringe access programmes. Dr. Kamarulzaman was elected President of the Malaysian AIDS Council, the umbrella organization for all AIDS NGOs in Malaysia in January 2006. Presently, she is Chair of the TREAT Asia Steering Committee and a member of the Executive Committee and Advisory Boards of the International Harm Reduction Association, the International Harm Reduction Development Program, as well as the American Foundation for AIDS Research. She is also an Executive Committee member of the United Nations Regional Task Force on HIV Prevention Amongst Drug Users and a member of the United Nations Reference Group on HIV and Injecting Drug Use.