

# THE ROLE OF CIVIL SOCIETY & DONORS IN TIMES OF CRISIS

**JULY 24, 2018**

**07H00**

**ROOM: E105-108**

**Our efforts to end AIDS are leaving behind a significant number of countries, those in which two-thirds of people living with HIV reside.**

The crisis in Venezuela is only one of the current examples where health and human rights achievements in reducing the morbidity and mortality of AIDS, TB and malaria are rapidly being undone.

Venezuela exemplifies how international cooperation is blocked by countries in crisis. With the Global Fund taking more than two years to decide about its role in countries in crisis; how many lives were lost? What has been the loss of opportunity? And what responsibility does the international community have to ensure this never happens again?

This satellite session is an opportunity to reflect on the role of civil society, donors and multilateral agencies vis-à-vis a country in crisis that is not eligible for external financing. It seeks to be a space to debate new paradigms and narratives of international cooperation in the face of humanitarian and health crises.

**Speakers include:**

Erika Castellanos, GNP+ and GATE

Alberto Nieves, RVG+ and ACCSI

Mary Ann Torres, ICASO

Massimo Ghidinelli, PAHO

Javier Hourcade Bellocq, GNP+, LAC Delegation to Global Fund Board

**Co-chaired by:**

Solange Baptiste, ITPC

Brent Allan, ICASO

Breakfast will be available at 06.45

Simultaneous interpretation English-Spanish will be available