



AIDS 2008

XVII INTERNATIONAL AIDS CONFERENCE

Mexico City, 3-8 August



AIDS 2008: Universal Action *Now*

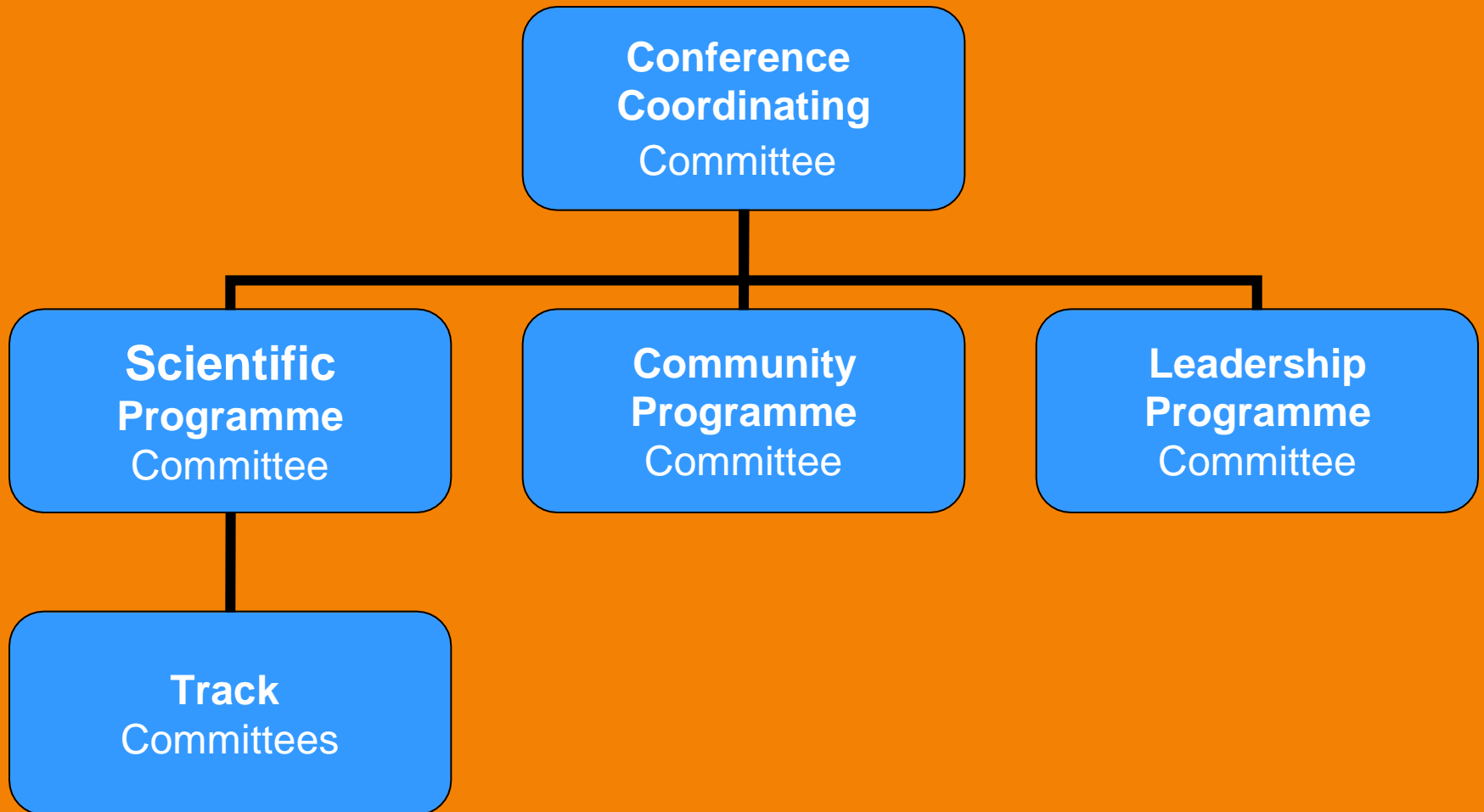
- **Universal Action *Now*** is a call to action to stakeholders at the global, national, regional and local levels.
- **Universal Action *Now*** emphasizes the need for continued urgency in the global response to AIDS.



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Planning Committees



Conference Programme Overview

Programme Sessions

Plenary

**Opening / Closing
Sessions**

Plenary Sessions

**Rapporteur Summary
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Special Sessions

Concurrent

**Abstract-driven
Sessions**

Bridging Sessions

**Controversy & Common
Ground**

Learning From Practice

Symposia

**Skills Building
Workshops**

Programme Activities

Youth Programme

Cultural Programme

Global Village



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Abstract Tracks and Session Types

Oral Presentations	Poster Discussion	Poster Exhibition	Late Breaker Presentations
Track A: Biology and Pathogenesis of HIV			
Track B: Clinical Research, Treatment and Care			
Track C: Epidemiology, Prevention and Prevention Research			
Track D: Social, Behavioural and Economic Science			
Track E: Policy and Political Science			



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TB/HIV Sessions at AIDS 2008

- **Plenary Session (August 8th)**
- **Abstract Driven Sessions:**
 - oral session (BCG, TB & HAART)
 - poster discussion (TB & HIV a Deadly Partnership)
- **Satellite Symposium (UA of TB services to PL)**
- **SBW (Wanted TB/HIV in the news:)**
- **TB Shack in Commercial Exhibition Area**



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Organizers

Convened by



Local Partners



Local scientific and community leadership

International Institutional Partners



Including its co-sponsors, the World Health Organization (WHO) and World Food Programme (WFP)



World YWCA



International Council of AIDS Service Organizations



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Abstract-driven Sessions

- Over half of all conference sessions will be abstract-driven
- Sessions will provide new, research-based evidence and synthesize already available evidence to inform and guide the global response to these challenges
- Sessions will focus on cutting-edge issues of interest to a range of disciplines
- Online abstract mentoring programme allows younger and/or less experienced abstract submitters to ask questions of more experienced abstract submitters

Abstract submission: 1 November – 19 February 2008
Late Breaker submission: 20 May – 16 June 2008



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Non-Abstract Driven Sessions

Variety of session formats designed to encourage constructive debate:

- Bridging Sessions
- Learning from Practice Sessions
- Controversy and Common Ground Sessions
- Symposia



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Satellite Meetings

- Meeting times scheduled on Sunday before opening session and on Monday-Thursday mornings and afternoons, before and after official conference sessions
- Sponsored, organized and coordinated by third-parties
- Meetings address issues directly or indirectly related to HIV/AIDS within the context of the conference programme
- All satellite meetings approved by conference organizers
- Slots are available for a fee based on room capacity and time with a limited number of free slots available to meet identified gaps in the conference programme

Satellite Meeting applications due 31 March 2008



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Expanded Online Access

- Fully bilingual website (Spanish/English)
- Webcasts and transcripts of key sessions
- Full text of all accepted abstracts
- Multi-language audio files and speaker slides for most sessions available through online Programme-at-Glance
- Rapporteur reports from all sessions
- Online skills exchange database
- Kaisernetwork.org is the official webcaster, with online scientific information and expert analyses provided by Clinical Care Options, Inc.



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Skills Building Workshops

- Primary goal is to facilitate delegates' professional growth
- Cover a diverse range of topics:
 - Scaling up and linkages
 - Latin America and the Caribbean: Lessons shared from a concentrated epidemic
 - Leadership, advocacy and policy
 - Intensifying involvement of affected communities and participation of civil societies
 - Science, medicine and community

**Skills Building proposals accepted
25 November – 19 February 2008**



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Programme Activities: Youth Programme

- Strengthens the participation of youth and the profile of youth issues through:
 - the youth pavilion
 - an electronic bulletin and website
 - a media hub
 - presentation space
 - mentorship activities
- Lower registration fees for all youth under age 26 and youth scholarships



**Youth Programme applications accepted
13 December – 19 February 2008**



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