

Canadian AIDS Society at AIDS 2010

July 16, 2010, Ottawa – Beginning at noon Central European Summer Time (CEST), from July 18 – 22, the Canadian AIDS Society will host the Canada Exhibit at AIDS 2010 in Vienna, Austria. The Canada booth represents both government and non-government organizations and their efforts in the fight against HIV/AIDS in Canada.

“CAS is very proud to be hosting the Canada Exhibit at AIDS 2010 to highlight the dedicated work of Canadians working at community-based organizations or the government in helping to fight HIV/AIDS. It’s an excellent opportunity for Canada to share its knowledge and to learn from other countries that face many of the same issues in the response to the epidemic,” says Monique Doolittle-Romas, Executive Director of the Canadian AIDS Society.

Under the theme *Canada Moving Forward*, the Canada Exhibit will feature 15 presentations on various aspects of HIV/AIDS work in Canada (see appended schedule of presentations). CAS has also prepared a DVD of Canadian HIV/AIDS resources to further educate about prevention, care, treatment and support programs and services available nationally.

The Canadian AIDS Society will also be hosting a satellite for 120 participants on HIV vaccine preparedness. *Lessons Learned: Promoting HIV Vaccines in Light of Existing Knowledge and Practices from Previous Public Health Interventions* will be held Tuesday, July 20, from 7:00 am to 8:30 am in Mini Room 3, Reed Messe, Vienna.

Presenters:

Dr. Dan Small, Adjunct Professor, University of British Columbia

Presentation: The Social Minefield of Syringe Distribution versus Exchange: Chasing Political and Epidemiological Dragons

Dr. Deborah Money, Executive Director, Women’s Health Research Institute, Vancouver, Canada

Presentation: HPV in HIV-Positive Women - The Disease and the Vaccine

Dr. Robert Broadhead, Professor, University of Connecticut

Presentation: Rejuvenating Harm Reduction Efforts in Ukraine for IDUs: The Impact of Implementing Peer-Driven Interventions Nationwide.

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The Canadian AIDS Society is a national coalition of over 120 community-based AIDS organizations from across Canada. Dedicated to strengthening the response to HIV/AIDS across all sectors of society, we also work to enrich the lives of people and communities living with HIV/AIDS. We accomplish this by advocating on behalf of people and communities affected by HIV/AIDS, facilitating the development of programs, services and resources for our member groups, and providing a national framework for community-based participation in Canada’s response to AIDS.

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