

LATIN AMERICAN  
**STIGMA &  
DISCRIMINATION**  
FORUM 2021

**VIRTUAL** | 27 OCTOBER 2021



**Program**



## Welcome to the Latin American Stigma and Discrimination Forum

In a few days, we will have the opportunity to talk with panelists and lecturers from the Latin American edition of the Stigma and Discrimination Forum, which will be held virtually.

In the still challenging context of the COVID-19 pandemic, it is important to rekindle the discussion about the impact of stigma and discrimination on responses to HIV and viral hepatitis. Pandemic mitigation measures have made people with HIV, hepatitis, and other related infections more vulnerable and weakened the response of health systems. In Latin America, the pandemic challenged all health, economic, and social structures, and countries are seeking to recover from the impact.

Men who have sex with other men, people working in the sex industry, trans women, and people who use drugs are highly stigmatized groups socially, and their access to health and comprehensive care for HIV is limited. Viral hepatitis, on the other hand, advances silently without a response from the states.

The Latin American Stigma and Discrimination Forum will be a space for discussion that will deepen current information on stigma and discrimination associated with HIV and hepatitis, as well as a place for exchanging proposals to change the current context and guarantee the health and full development of people affected and vulnerable to these infections.

We look forward to seeing you!

## Bienvenidos al Foro Latinoamericano sobre Estigma y Discriminación

En unos días, tendremos la oportunidad de conversar con panelistas y conferencistas del Foro sobre Estigma y Discriminación en su versión latinoamericana que se realizará de manera virtual.

En el contexto aún desafiante de la pandemia de COVID-19, es importante reanimar la discusión sobre el impacto del estigma y la discriminación en las respuestas al VIH y a las hepatitis virales. Las medidas de mitigación de la pandemia pusieron en mayor vulnerabilidad a las personas afectas por el VIH, la hepatitis y otras infecciones conexas y debilitaron la respuesta de los sistemas sanitarios. En América Latina, en particular, la pandemia desafió todas las estructuras sanitarias, económicas y sociales y los países buscan reponerse de su impacto.

Los hombres que tienen sexo con otros hombres, personas que trabajan en la industria sexual, mujeres trans y personas que consumen drogas son grupos altamente estigmatizados socialmente ven limitado su acceso a la salud y la atención integral al VIH. Las hepatitis virales, por su lado, avanza en silencio sin una respuesta de los estados.

El Foro Latinoamericano sobre Estigma y Discriminación será un espacio de discusión que profundizará en la información vigente sobre estigma y discriminación asociado al VIH y las hepatitis, así como un lugar de intercambio de propuestas para cambiar el contexto actual y garantizar la salud y el pleno desarrollo de las personas afectadas y vulnerables a estas infecciones.

¡Les esperamos!



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## Certificate of attendance

Certificates of attendance will be sent by e-mail in the week following the forum after completion of the post-forum survey.

## Feedback

Your feedback is of utmost value to us as it enables us to further improve this forum. At the end of the forum, a survey will be sent to you via email, with questions to help us improve this forum. We would like to ask you to take a minute to complete it.

## Meeting Hub

The Meeting Hub allows you to connect and communicate with other attendees. Once you have located an attendee you want to connect with, click the Connect button. Once the other attendee accepts your request, you can choose to interact by starting a live chat or live video call. You can also schedule a meeting at a later time, send messages and take notes. Contact information for all attendees you have connected with will be included when you export contacts.

## OnAIR - Virtual Platform

OnAIR is the virtual forum platform being used for Latin American Stigma & Discrimination Forum 2021. A video tutorial on how to use the workshop Portal can be found [here](#).

## Notes

You will be able to take notes in the portal during the virtual forum. Any notes that you take throughout the event can be exported by selecting the Export icon on the top right of the screen near your Profile image.

## Social Media

We encourage you to post news about the forum on your social media accounts and tweet about the forum as often as you please during the forum. You can either post your own tweet to your followers using the hashtag #STIGMAFORUM or retweet a message through the official @Academic\_MedEdu account.

## Technical Team

Should you encounter any technical problems, please contact us at [lara@amededu.com](mailto:lara@amededu.com).

## Time Zones

Times are in Argentina Time (ART). If you need to convert the times to your timezone, this website can help you: [www.worldtimebuddy.com](http://www.worldtimebuddy.com). You will be able to watch the presentations on the forum portal until three weeks after the forum.

## Presentations and webcasts

**ame** Webcasts of the presentations along with the PDF presentations will be available on OnAIR for three weeks and on [www.AcademicMedicalEducation.com](http://www.AcademicMedicalEducation.com) three weeks after the forum.

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## WEDNESDAY 27 OCTOBER

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<b>Opening of the Forum</b>	11:00 AM	12:00 PM	2:00 PM
<b>Session 1</b>	11:10 AM	12:10 PM	2:10 PM
<b>Session 2</b>	11:50 AM	12:50 PM	2:50 PM
<b>Session 3</b>	12:40 PM	1:40 PM	3:40 PM
<b>Session 4</b>	1:20 PM	2:20 PM	4:20 PM

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## Wednesday, 27 October

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### Opening of the Forum

- 14:00 ART **Opening Words**  
**Mark Nelson**  
 Chelsea and Westminster Hospital / Imperial College Medical School, United Kingdom
- Lídice López Tocón**  
 Corresponsales Clave, Perú

### Session 1 Stigma and Discrimination in the Field of the New Global AIDS Strategy and in the Political Declaration of the RAN 2021

Chair: Javier Luis Hourcade Bellocq

- 14:10 ART **Keynote Lecture**  
**Alejandra Corao**  
 UNAIDS Latin America & the Caribbean, Panama
- 14:25 ART **Panel Discussion**  
**Stacy Velásquez**  
 OTRANS-RN, Guatemala
- Ronald Céspedes Barriga**  
 Red Latinoamericana GayLatino, Bolivia

### Session 2 U=U: Five Years Later - How it Impacted Stigma and Discrimination

Chair: Mark Nelson

- 14:50 ART **Keynote Lecture**  
**Bruce Richman**  
 Prevention Access Campaign, United States
- 15:05 ART **Panel Discussion**  
**Erika Castellanos**  
 GATE, the Netherlands
- Franco Luciano Bova**  
 Asociación Ciclo Positivo / University of Buenos Aires, Argentina

3:30 ART Virtual Tea Break - Time to Network

### Session 3 Stigma and Discrimination in Times of Pandemic

Chair: Lídice López Tocón

- 15:40 ART **Keynote Lecture**  
**Javier Luis Hourcade Bellocq**  
 Plataforma COVID y VIH, Argentina
- 15:55 ART **Panel Discussion**  
**Marcela Alsina**  
 Movimiento Latinoamericano y del Caribe de Mujeres Positivas (MLCM+), Argentina
- Lucy Esquivel**  
 Unidas en la Esperanza, Paraguay



**Session 4 Challenges in Combination HIV Prevention in the Context of a Pandemic in Latin America and the Caribbean**

*Chair: Lidice López Tocón*

16:20 ART **Keynote Lecture**  
**Mónica Alonso**  
Organización Panamericana de la Salud, United States

16:35 ART **Panel Discussion**  
**Cesar Augusto Galindo Arandi**  
ICAP, Guatemala  
**Alessandra Ramos**  
Human Rights Activist, Brazil

**Closure of the Forum**

17:00 ART **Opening Words**  
**Mark Nelson**  
Chelsea and Westminster Hospital / Imperial College Medical School, United Kingdom  
**Javier Luis Hourcade Bellocq**  
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