

Saving lives, saving money: achieving rational use of medicines in health services

May 15th, 12:30-14:00
Venue: Salle IX at UN Palais



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Programme

- Opening
- Presentations:

Introduction: What the new proposed resolution would mean for Member States?

Presenter: Kathleen Holloway, Department of Medicines Policy and Standards, WHO Geneva

Irrational use of antibiotics - the misuse of a miracle

Presenter: Otto Cars, React: Action on Antibiotic Resistance and STRAMA

Improving Public Health? Drug Promotion & Rational Use of Medicines

Presenter: Teresa Alves and Barbara Mintzes, Health Action International

Rational use of medicines: economic implications - savings on drug expenditure

Presenter: Eva Ombaka, World Council of Churches - Ecumenical Pharmaceutical Network

National approach to promote rational use of medicine: the experience of Oman

Presenter: Jaffer Batool, Director of the Directorate of Rational Drug Use, Ministry of Health Oman

- Discussion
- Concluding remarks