The 2019 World Cancer Leaders' Summit, Nur-Sultan, 15-16 October

The 2019 World Cancer Leaders’ Summit (WCLS) will be held on 15-16 October 2019 in Nur Sultan. The Summit is organised by the Union for International Cancer Control (UICC) and hosted this year by the Kazakh Institute of Oncology and Radiology (KazIOR).

The WCLS is the most important annual high-level event dedicated exclusively to global cancer control. The Summit will gather over 350 high-level participants including Head of States, Ministers of Health, First Ladies, city and industry leaders, Senior Executives and other influential players from the cancer, health and development community. Among some global cancer leaders of the Summit:

- H.R.H Princess Dina Mired of Jordan, President of the Union for International Cancer Control (UICC).
- H.E. Nursultan Nazarbayev, First President of Kazakhstan,
- H.E. Mr Yelzhan Birtanov, Minister of Healthcare, Kazakhstan,
- H.E. Madam Sika Kaboré, First Lady of Burkina Faso, President of the Organisation of African First Ladies for Development
- H.E Madam Emine Erdogan, First Lady of Turkey
- Dr Elisabete Weiderpass, Director of the International Agency for Research on Cancer (IARC)

Under the theme “Cancer and Universal Health Coverage”, participants of 2019 World Cancer Leaders’ Summit will discuss the need for sustainable, 'people centred' health systems, effective prevention and early detection programmes and innovative ways to ensure that people everywhere have access to affordable cancer treatment and care.


For more information about the event and registrations, please contact the Summit press team at uiccpress@askredpoint.com, tel.: +7 701 782 85 43
Media agenda will include:

15 October:

09:00 – 09:30 World Cancer Leaders’ Summit – Welcome addresses

- Her Royal Highness Princess Dina Mired, President, Union for International Cancer Control (UICC)
- Dilyara Kaidarova, CEO, Kazakh Institute of Oncology and Radiology (KazIOR)
- H.E. Mr Yelzhan Birtanov, Minister of Healthcare, Kazakhstan
- Saunthari Somasundaram, President of the National Cancer Society of Malaysia (NCSM)

Venue: Hotel Hilton Astana EXPO
Please, bear in mind that press registration will be held during 07:30 – 09:00.
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19:00 – 20:00 Award ceremony for an Outstanding Contribution to Cancer Control

- H.E. Madam Dariga Nazarbayeva, Chairwoman of the Senate of Kazakhstan
- H.E. Madam Emine Erdogan, First Lady of Turkey

H.R.H Princess Dina Mired, President, Union for International Cancer Control, who will announce the winner of the Outstanding Contribution to Cancer Control

Venue: Astana Opera House (entrance back door). Please, bear in mind that press registration will be held at 18:30. Please be always equipped with your press badge, valid ID or passport and press credentials.
16 October:

09:00 – 09:20 Welcome and Keynote addresses

- H.R.H. Princess Dina Mired, President, Union for International Cancer Control (UICC)
- H.E. Nursultan Nazarbayev, First President of Kazakhstan

09:50 – 10:20 Sharing the perspectives of women leaders on cancer and UHC

- H.E. Madam Dariga Nazarbayeva, Chairwoman of the Senate of Kazakhstan
- H.E. Madam Sika Kaboré, First Lady of Burkina Faso
- Hon. H.E. Yuthar Al Rawahy, Founder and Honorary Life President of the Oman Cancer Association
- H.R.H Princess Dina Mired of Jordan, President of the Union for International Cancer Control

10:30 – 10:50 Press briefing with Jeffrey Sturchio, CEO, Rabin Martin

11:00 – 11:20 Press briefing with Bente Mikkelsen, Director, Director of the Division of NCDs and Promoting Health through the Life-Course, WHO/EURO

11:30 – 11:50 Press briefing with Michelle Mitchell, CEO, Cancer Research UK

12:00 – 12:30 Press conference and Launch of the "The Cancer Atlas" third edition

- H.R.H. Princess Dina Mired, President, Union for International Cancer Control
• Elisabete Weiderpass, Director of the International Agency for Research on Cancer (IARC)
• Ambassador Sally Cowal, American Cancer Society (ACS)
• H.E. Mr Yelzhan Birtanov, Minister of Healthcare, Kazakhstan

Venue: Astana Congress Center

*Please, bear in mind that press registration will be held during 08:00 – 15:00.
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