



**BIO'S SPEAKERS AT 'PREVENTION, PLEASURE AND PROTECTION'  
INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON FEMALE CONDOMS**

**M. AYYAPPAN**

HLL Lifecare Limited, India

Mr. M. Ayyappan is the Chairman & Managing Director of HLL Lifecare Limited (HLL). HLL - a 45 year old organisation in India - is a leading manufacturer and marketer of a range of Contraceptive and Healthcare products around the globe. At the helm of affairs since 2003, Mr. Ayyappan's leadership and relentless efforts brought about the metamorphosis of a contraceptive company into a globally recognized integrated Healthcare Delivery Organisation. Mr. Ayyappan has over 20 years of experience in condom manufacturing and its worldwide marketing.

Concurrently, he is the Chairman of LifeSpring Hospitals, a Joint Venture of HLL and Acumen Fund, USA. He is also Chairman of HLL Family Planning Promotion Trust (HLFPPT) - one of the largest Social Marketing and Intervention organizations in India today.

**MS M. BEKSINSKA**

Mags Beksinska works for MatCH [Maternal, Adolescent and Child Health], University of the Witwatersrand, South Africa. She has worked in Reproductive Health for 17 years and has focused her research on barrier methods, specifically the female condom. She has been involved in research on new female condom prototypes, particularly in studies required to provide clinical evidence of functionality for regulatory purposes. She is a member of the WHO female Condom Technical review Committee.

**MS Y. BOGAARTS**

Yvonne Bogaarts, Manager Advocacy, Rutgers WPF

Since 1997, Yvonne is working for the Advocacy Department of Rutgers WPF, which she manages from 2003 onwards. She is a passionate and internationally known advocate for SRHR. She worked a lot on mobilizing young people for SRHR and supported setting up both a Dutch and a European youth organization for SRHR, now called CHOICE and YouAct. She has been a member in numerous networks and currently actively participates in the steering committee of Share-Net, Platform Europe (working group of Partos) and EuroNGO. She is strongly engaged in the whole ICPD@20 process and the linking this to the MDG@15/new development framework. Yvonne is proud to be one of the founding members of the UAFC Joint Programme.

Yvonne has a degree in non-western sociology, worked in development cooperation in Indonesia and India, taught at the University of Leiden, and as free-lance consultant on SRHR.

**MR R. CHAVEZ**

Ray Chavez joined the research and development team as Project Coordinator for the ORIGAMI Condoms™ brand in Aug 2008. Mr. Chavez has also been the project coordinator for three, NIH funded clinical research projects: the Origami Male Condom™, a non-latex, non-rolled silicone male condom, in collaboration with the California Family Health Council, Los Angeles; the Origami Female Condom™, in collaboration with the Women's Global Health Imperative at RTI International., San Francisco; and the Origami R.A.I. Condom™ in collaboration with The Fenway Institute, Boston. Mr. Chavez manages the R&D group's comprehensive development capabilities which include:

- Concept generation to support design and strengthen the intellectual property portfolio.
- 3-D Prototyping
- Silicone Development specification
- Concept, Design and Materials evaluation, through prototyping and analysis
- Design verification testing
- Oversight of Biocompatibility & Structural Integrity testing.

Mr. Chavez additionally coordinates IP oversight and product positioning for the company's global marketing strategy.

**MS A. FORBES**

A Washington DC-based writer, organizer, and women's health activist, Anna Forbes has worked in HIV/AIDS continuously since 1985. Initially focused on domestic service delivery, policy, and advocacy, she has broadened her scope into women's HIV prevention needs globally. She participated in founding of the Global Campaign for Microbicides in 1998 and resigned from her position there as Deputy Director in 2010. During her tenure, GCM successfully generated political demand in Asia, Africa, North America, and Europe for increased microbicide research and development. Anna led their initiatives to assure inclusion of key constituencies in this advocacy -- particularly sex workers, HIV positive women and men who have sex with men.

After serving on the UNAIDS-led Global Coalition on Women and AIDS' Steering Committee from its inception until 2010, Anna now counts GCWA among her clients. Her international client list also includes GNP+, Global Network of Sex Work Projects, IAVI, the National Association of People with AIDS (U.S.) and Universal Access to Female Condoms.

Anna has published widely on women's health and HIV/AIDS in the popular press, academic journals and grey literature. She has contributed to NAM's most recent edition of Preventing AIDS, multiple editions of Our Bodies Ourselves, and is the author of eight children's books on HIV/AIDS.

**MR O. GARG**

Chairman Cupid Ltd. India.

Mr. Garg received his Master degree in Mining from Canada in 1970. He worked for 17 years on different mining project all over the world.

In 1987 he started his own Export / Import business dealing with Gold jewelries and commodities. Since 1998 he is also associated with Cupid Limited a manufacturers of Male and Female condoms. He is a member of the US Delegation to the ISO committee on Condoms. His passion is to promote the use of Female Condoms to prevent the spread of HIV/AIDS and unintended pregnancies.

**MR J. GEROFI**

John Paul Gerofi Managing director at ENERSOL Pty Ltd

Mr Gerofi holds a Phd in engineering and has extensive knowledge and experience in contraceptive technologies. He has been engaged in numerous trials and complaints procedures on condom performance, has designed the condom testing laboratory of Enersol Pty Ltd and was chief investigator on a research project on the quality and use-effectiveness of condoms.

Since 1982 Mr Gerofi is managing director at ENERSOL Pty Ltd which operates one of the largest condom testing labs in the world.

He is a member of Standards Australia's Technical Committee CS 9, and represents committee on the International Standards Organisation's Technical Committee 157 (Mechanical Contraceptives) and was Director of the Australian Reproductive Health Alliance, between 2008-2011. He represent Australia on International Standards Organisation technical committee 157, responsible for drafting the International Standards on Condoms (ISO 4074 series).

**MS K. KALKSTEIN**

Advocacy and Outreach Associate, Center for Health and Gender Equity (CHANGE)

As advocacy and outreach associate, Kiki leads CHANGE's educational activities, partnership development, constituency building, and advocate mobilization around U.S. international policy related to sexual and reproductive health and rights. She also spearheads CHANGE's Prevention Now! Campaign, a global advocacy campaign to expand access to female condoms and other existing prevention methods for women and men worldwide. Kiki first joined CHANGE as a program intern in June 2009 and served as program associate through June 2011. Prior to coming to CHANGE, Kiki worked with the Uganda Village Project conducting a rural community outreach program developed to increase awareness around obstetric fistula. Kiki earned her bachelor's degree in public health, with a minor in global poverty and practice.

**MR AJ. KPOGNON**

Auguste J. Kpognon is a French/Beninese national. He brings years of international experience in project design and management to his current role as PSI Country Representative for Cameroon and Central Africa Republic. Over the past 19 years, he has developed and implemented social marketing projects in French-speaking West Africa and the Caribbean's as Population Services International's Country Director in Benin, Togo, and Rwanda, as Regional Social Marketing Director in Cote d'Ivoire, and as Senior Technical Advisor in Haiti. He has also served in Cote d'Ivoire for over 4 years as Country Director for CARE International.

Auguste offers expertise in private sector business development, public health project design implementation (Malaria, M&C survival, and STI/HIV), local entities capacity building, behavior change communications, community based distribution, operations research, monitoring & evaluation, fundraising, and negotiation / coordination between host countries and donors.

As PSI Country Representative in Togo, Benin and Rwanda, Auguste Kpognon successfully launched 11 new social marketed brands (including one of the first socially marketed female condom brand "Protectiv" in 1997) and further developed his expertise in product design and development, marketing of health products and services, advertising, and BCC. He also was able to put strong emphasis on local capacity building with the creation of local Social marketing entities (ABMS Benin and ATMS Togo) where he still serve as board member today. He is currently providing institutional development and capacity building to PSI platforms in CAR and Cameroon (ACAMS , ACMS).

As Regional SM Director for USAID's Family Health and AIDS Prevention Project in West Africa (FHA/WCA), he has effectively developed and put into action the acclaimed regional HIV/AIDS prevention programs targeting migrant populations (PSAMAO & Rail-link) in operation in 8 countries in WCA. He has also successfully managed the USAID HIV US ambassadors fund in all 10 ECOWAS countries.

As a Senior Technical Advisor for PSI Haiti for 2 years, Auguste provided overall technical assistance to ensure continued implementation of existing projects activities according to pre-established

objectives and standards. He spearheaded the development of new products activities (PuR & Babyfer brands) within the framework of PSI/Haiti mission and strategy and supervised the implementation and development of a robust \$6.2 million per yr. maternal and child health program, including distribution, promotion, BCC, training, research, and all other marketing aspects related to the products portfolio.

With CARE International, Auguste provided coordination and management of the CARE Cote d'Ivoire Country Office for 4 1/2 years. He was responsible for the implementation of programs portfolio worth \$34 million annually, with a staff of 125. It focused on emergency response/food security, HIV/AIDS, safe water, Malaria, IDP communities assistance and reintegration, conflict mitigation & resolution, livelihood promotion, and the capacity building of local partners.

### **MRS J MANTELL**

Joan Mantell Assistant Professor of Clinical Psychology (in Psychiatry), Department of Psychiatry, Columbia University, New York, NY

Joanne E. Mantell, Ph.D. is a Research Scientist at the HIV Center and a Professor of Clinical Psychology (in Psychiatry). Affiliated with the HIV Center since 1999, she has worked extensively in the US as well as in Nigeria, South Africa, and China. Currently, Dr. Mantell is the Principal Investigator of studies on female condom promotion among South African students, sexual and reproductive decision-making among HIV-positive people, and perspectives on medical male circumcision. In recent years, she has also conducted studies of immigrant religious organizations in New York, anal sex practices among women and men in South Africa, HIV risk among migrant entertainment industry workers in Eastern China, and on training service providers in dual protection counseling in China.

### **MS S. MARTINS**

Mrs. Simone Martins is a trilingual executive with large experience in developing and implementing HIV/AIDS prevention projects.

From March 2007 to February 2011, Mrs. Martins was the Programme Advisor for Latin American and Caribbean regions, of SUPPORT, an organisation funded by The Female Health Company, manufacturer of the FC2 Female Condom. As a Programme Advisor, Mrs. Martins provided technical assistance to governments, organisations, business and other agencies to ensure availability of, access to, promotion and use of male and female condoms.

In March 2004, Mrs. Martins funded the consulting firm, For All, which operated in the conception, implementation, monitoring and assessment of programs in the HIV/AIDS area. In 2007, For All Mozambique was established taking the successful prevention strategies and experiences from Brazil to one of the most affected countries by the HIV/AIDS epidemic in Africa.

From July 1997 thru October 2003, Mrs. Martins dedicated to managing the institutional relations department of DKT do Brasil. DKT do Brasil is a subsidiary of DKT International, a Washington D.C.-based charitable organization that implements social marketing programs.

### **MS C. MAUCK MD, MPH**

Christine Mauck is an independent consultant in the field of clinical trials of contraceptives and microbicides. She is here at this meeting representing CONRAD for whom she has worked for almost 20 years. CONRAD's pioneering work with female condoms helped lead to the 1993 FDA approval of the first female condom on the U.S. market, the FC Female Condom (formerly Reality® Female Condom). Since 1998, CONRAD has supported PATH in the development of a new female condom known as the Woman's Condom. Since 2008, Dr. Mauck has led CONRAD's efforts to simplify the approval process for new condoms, which is the topic of her presentation at this meeting. Dr. Mauck received her MD from the University of Michigan and completed her MPH and residency in Preventive Medicine at the Johns Hopkins University School of Public Health.

**MR S. MOKKAPATI**

Director Centre for Convergent Health Care Technologies , India.  
Deputy Director-General in the Division of Reproductive Health and Nutrition at Headquarters of Indian Council of Medical Research, New Delhi.

Dr.S.Mokkapati received his Ph.D in Reproductive Biology in the year 1977 from Banaras Hindu University,Varanasi. He did his post-doctoral training in Reproductive Biology as Research Officer in the WHO-CCRT Programme at All India Institute Of Medical Sciences, New Delhi from 1980 to 1984. Dr.S.Mokkapati joined as cadre Scientist in Indian Council of Medical Research in the year 1984.He published over 100 Scientific Papers, authored 12 books and presented 50 papers at both National and International Scientific Meetings. Dr.S.Mokkapati represented as Head of the Indian Delegation for ISO Meetings on Nanotechnologies and Mechanical Contraceptives; served as International Expert and Chairperson on Condoms, IUDs and Diaphragms in ISO Working Groups..Dr.S.Mokkapati is Advisor, WHO, Geneva, PATH,USA and Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Govt.of India. He is an expert in ISO Technical Committee 229 on Nanotechnologies and Bureau of Indian Standards Govt. of India. He established the Indian Nanomedicine Society and represented at International Society of Nanomedicine and European Society of NanoMedicine. He is invited to deliver a lecture on Nanomedicine Applications for HIV/AIDS Prevention at Internatinal Conference on Nanomedicine , World Conference on Nanomedicine. At present Dr.Mokkapati is Advisor from Asia on Nanotechnology. He is also President of Nanoscience and Nanotechnology and Indian Nanomedicine Society.

**MS C. MWABA-PHIRI**

Chilufya Mwaba-Phiri has almost 16 years of experience working in the area of HIV/AIDS and reproductive health in general. She is the founder of Zambia Health Education and Communications Trust (ZHECT) a non-governmental and not for profit organization that implements an integrated health programme with emphasis on Reproductive Health. On the 2<sup>nd</sup> of April, 2012, ZHECT will have been in existence for 10 years.

Chilufya has been working with the female condom since 1998. She previously worked for Society for Family Health or Population Services International Zambia for 6 years in Family Planning and HIV/AIDS as Senior Marketing Manager. She launched the socially marketed female condom CARE in Zambia in 1999 and has been promoting the use of the female condom in various programmes since then. She did some consultancy work in Swaziland and Rwanda in HIV/AIDS prevention focusing on the use of the female condom. Chilufya has a lot of experience in general management of programme/project implementation and behavior change communications. She also has practical experience in counseling and testing for HIV and conducting research in the form of KAP and HIV and TB prevalence surveys.

Mrs. Chilufya Mwaba-Phiri has a Bachelors and Masters degree in Business Administration, a diploma in Marketing and has undergone a lot of training in Behavior Change Communications.

**MS P. MWANGI**

Peninah Mwangi is the Executive Director of Bar Hostess Empowerment and Support Programme (BHESP). She is a sex workers' rights activist and passionate about the human and health rights of sex workers and bar hostesses.

Ms. Mwangi is a member of the WHO working group on guidelines for HIV prevention and treatment for Sex workers and their clients, a board member of African Sex Workers Alliance (ASWA) while BHESP is the host of Kenya Sex Workers Alliance (KESWA) which is part of ASWA. She also sits at the MARPS working group at the National Aids Control Council (NACC) and the National Policy on Condoms working group in Kenya.

**Mr B. POTTER**

Bill Potter is an independent consultant who has worked in the barrier contraceptive area for over 25 years. He has considerable experience in the development, manufacturer, testing and regulation of natural all types of male and female condoms. Bill has participated in the development of the a number of international standards including the standard for female condoms, ISO 25841.

**MR D. RESNIC**

Daniel Resnic is the inventor of ORIGAMI Condoms™. He is the founder of his product design firm, Strata Various Product Design, based in Los Angeles, CA. He is uniquely qualified with a vision and commitment to product design and clinical research. Resnic has served as Principal Investigator for NIH funded clinical research projects since 2004: the Origami Male Condom™, a non-latex, non-rolled silicone male condom, in collaboration with the California Family Health Council, Los Angeles; the Origami Female Condom™, in collaboration with the Women's Global Health Imperative at RTI,International., San Francisco; and the Origami R.A.I. Condom™ in collaboration with The Fenway Institute, Boston. His company's goal is to see the new condoms through fabrication, pre-clinical testing, and their clinical trials. The devices will be submitted to the FDA and the WHO for pre-market review in 2014. Mr. Resnic will oversee their path to commercial manufacturing and marketing. The company is pursuing potential for global licensing.

Mr. Resnic studied packaging and product design in the early 1970s at the Art Center College of Design in California. After his studies, he founded several successful design and publishing businesses. In 2001, after realizing how consumer dissatisfaction had marked the history of the rolled, latex condom, designed in 1920, Mr. Resnic directed his company's attention to product design with specific focus on condoms. He researched characteristics that have prevented condoms from being used as extensively and consistently as needed to curtail the current HIV epidemic. After a year-long investigation, he identified several key areas where design solutions could have a marked effect on consumer satisfaction:

- Creating a barrier that does not diminish sensitivity
- Improving fit and reducing constriction of the glans
- Making the condom easier and quicker to don (less interruption of sexual activity)
- Reducing slippage by designing a means of securing the condom
- Reducing breakage by searching for a more durable alternative to latex and plastic
- Finding an alternative material that is acceptable to consumers with latex allergy (2% of population)

After producing hundreds of design iterations, Mr. Resnic filed for U.S. and international patents for the novel devices. The new condoms are designed to meet or exceed acceptable FDA and WHO performance standards.

**MS S. SIPPEL**

President, Center for Health and Gender Equity (CHANGE)

For more than fifteen years, Serra Sippel has advocated for women's and girls' sexual and reproductive health and rights at the international, national and local government levels, in addition to the United Nations. She is currently the president of the Center for Health and Gender Equity (CHANGE), where she leads the organization's education and advocacy efforts to ensure that U.S. foreign policies and programs promote and protect sexual and reproductive health and rights. She previously directed international programs for Catholics for Choice, and has advocated on behalf of homeless women in Texas and incarcerated women in Indiana. Serra has authored numerous articles and other publications on sexual and reproductive health and rights, and has spoken at conferences in Europe, Africa, Asia, the United States and Latin America.

**MS. J. SMIT**

Jennifer Smit, BPharm, MS, PhD, is Deputy Divisional Head of MatCH (Maternal, Adolescent and Child Health), Associate Professor Department of Obstetrics and Gynaecology, University of the Witwatersrand and leads MatCH's research programme. She is an Honorary Professor in the School of Pharmacy and Pharmacology at the University of KwaZulu-Natal. Her research focuses on reproductive health (RH), with an emphasis on contraception and HIV prevention, including extensive research on barrier methods (female condoms, microbicides), medical male circumcision, dual protection, long-acting hormonal injectable contraceptives, emergency contraception, new contraceptive technologies, health services delivery, including RH/HIV service integration, and policy development. Her research studies have culminated in the publication of over 50 articles in peer-reviewed journals.

**MS AG. SOLANO ROJAS**

Ana Gabriela Solano Rojas is the Project Administrator for the Women and Female Condom Program within the Centro de Investigación y Promoción para América Central de Derechos Humanos (CIPAC), in Costa Rica. She has been working in HIV Prevention, Women and Female Condom Programs with the Costa Rica National AIDS Program and FUNDESIDA since 1996. Ana Gabriela is the Vice-president of the CCM of Costa Rica and is a member of the National AIDS Commission. Ana Gabriela has a degree in Business Administration.

**MS J. TERLIKOWSKI**

Jessica Terlikowski has worked in the field of HIV and reproductive rights for 12 years and currently serves as the Director of Regional Organizing for AIDS United and the AIDS Foundation of Chicago. For the last six years, Jessica Terlikowski has worked to ensure that people living with and at risk of HIV/AIDS have the tools and knowledge necessary to inform and advocate for the policies that impact their lives. She launched and coordinates the Chicago Female Condom Campaign as well as the National Female Condom Coalition to improve attitudes, access, and use of female condoms through education, training, and advocacy.

**MS M. USHER-PATEL**

Maggie Usher-Patel is a technical adviser/scientist in international health and development, with over 30 years of experience working in the field of international health and development. For 12 years Maggie worked for the Department of Reproductive Health and Research, World Health Organization. She was responsible for initiating and working on such issues as improving access to reproductive health essential medicines, the management of global collaborative partnerships to reduce duplication, harmonize approaches to use change management and performance improvement process to identify and scale up proven effective practices in reproductive health at the country level. Maggie also pioneered the development of knowledge management strategies within WHO and was responsible for the research and development of innovative technology to support virtual networking and collaboration to improve access to and the use of information in less developed environments.

Prior to joining WHO Maggie worked on long term in-country assignments and managed a wide variety of health sector development projects and programmes at regional and country level in Central America, South East Asia, Sub Saharan Africa and the Middle East. She has worked for both international and nongovernmental agencies, in both stable and crisis situations, from - remote rural areas high in the Himalayas working with community health workers to the policy level working in collaboration with Ministers of Health.

**MS V. KRISHNAN**

Dr. Vasanthi Krishnan is a public health specialist with over 30 years of experience in the health sector. She has worked in various capacities with Government and Non-Government agencies and has provided consultancies to UNFPA, UNICEF and State Governments. Dr. Krishnan has implemented large scale projects, conceptualized and prepared policy documents, training manuals and reports. She has worked in National Institute of Health & Family Welfare, CARE India, IPAS, UNICEF, UNFPA. She joined Hindustan Latex Family Planning Promotion Trust in 2007 as Head, Technical Services and took over as Chief Executive Officer in August 2008.

**MS E. VASTHA KIBIRIGE**

Mrs. Vastha Kibirige is a teacher by profession and trained in counseling, Social Marketing and Health promotion and Education.

Vastha has worked with the STD/ AIDS Control Program of the Ministry of Health – Uganda, since 1989. Currently she coordinates the Condom desk and is sometimes called the “Condom lady”.

Vastha was part of the team which participated in the first introduction of the Female Condom in Uganda in 1998. This program failed due to poor programming. Currently she is coordinating the new FC2 program which started in 2009, under the Ministry of Health supported by UNFPA. The program has learned from the mistakes made in the first FC program.

Vastha is happy to report that she has fulfilled the pledges made in 2009.

**MS VY. MLAMBO**

Vimbai Yvonne Mlambo is a young gender activist and professional teacher currently doing Gender and Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights studies. She is a Gender Program Officer at the Students And Youth Working on Reproductive Health Action Team (SAYWHAT) which is an advocacy institution for the Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights of students in tertiary institutions. Under her portfolio, she is currently coordinating the Web for Life which is a Network for female students on Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights. The network is a dynamic and active platform for female students to network, lobby and advocate for young women sexual and reproductive health and rights. Vimbai Yvonne Mlambo is a highly-motivated young woman who has vast skills, knowledge and experience in peer education and volunteer community work on Adolescent Sexual and Reproductive Health. She has 7 years of active participation and experience in peer education, life skills building, advocacy on Sexual and reproductive health and HIV and AIDS through Community Voluntary work and leadership in national structures. Vimbai Yvonne Mlambo is currently a board member within the Zimbabwe Youth Council under the Ministry of Youth, Indigenisation and Empowerment, where she represents youths on Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights.

**MS K. WHIPKEY**

Global Advocacy Specialist, PATH

Kimberly recently joined PATH as a Global Advocacy Specialist with PATH's Protection Options for Women (POW) Product Development Partnership. In this position, she develops and implements advocacy and communications activities to promote female condoms globally and to generate awareness about the Woman's Condom. She brings more than five years of experience in international and domestic advocacy on reproductive health issues. She most recently worked at the Center for Health and Gender Equity (CHANGE), where she led the organization's advocacy and grassroots mobilization related to U.S. foreign policy and sexual and reproductive health and rights. At CHANGE, Kimberly also spearheaded the Prevention Now! Campaign, a global advocacy initiative to expand access to female condoms worldwide. Kimberly has a bachelor's degree in sociology and women and gender studies; she is finishing a masters of public health.