Towards an international federation of Academic Consortia for Integrative Medicine?

The majority of WHO member states have now started to organize T&CM formally, but not all have done so and the progress is slow. To increase progress, we suggest the establishment of an international federation of academic consortia for integrative medicine. The proposed tasks of such a federation are: 1) to increase the exchange of knowledge, experience and scientific insights of clinicians, researchers, educators, and public health advocates, 2) to advance a global agenda for research, education, policy, communication, and clinical practice of evidence-based treatments guidelines in T&CM. In this session we invite participants to engage in a global dialogue on critical issues surrounding the integration of T&CM based on IM.

1. Opening and general introduction (10 min)
2. The Dutch perspective (10 min) - Prof dr Rogier Hoenders
3. The Brazilian perspective (10 min) - Prof dr Ricardo Ghelman
4. The American perspective (10 min) - Dr Amy Locke
5. A WHO collaborating center perspective (10 min) - Prof dr Miek Jong
6. Panel discussion of world experts, TM organizations, WHO TCIM Unit, ISCMR, AIHM, DTCIH, TCIM America Network, PAHO and other networks (20 min)
7. Questions and discussion with the audience (20 min)

Speakers

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