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## No Simple Solution: Investing in HIV Prevention Research for Women & Girls

An Open Forum & Roundtable Discussion

Monday, August 4, 2008  
6:30-8:30 p.m.  
IAC in Mexico City, Mexico

Please join us for an exciting satellite session during the International AIDS Conference in Mexico City as we bring together government representatives, policy-makers and grassroots leaders working on the frontlines of HIV prevention research. We will discuss the work needed to develop and test a range of interventions addressing the complex gender inequality challenges that continue to exacerbate a feminized HIV/AIDS epidemic worldwide.

- Get an overview of the relationships between AIDS, gender and poverty and the continued feminization of the pandemic.
- Discuss the need to focus resources on evaluating innovative structural and gender-based prevention interventions.
- Engage in dialogue about the need to continue the momentum for investment in research on existing (female condoms) and new (vaccines and microbicides) female-initiated and controlled prevention technologies, particularly in the face of disappointing trial results.

### INCLUDING:

#### Stephen Lewis

Co-Founder, AIDS-Free World (moderator)

#### Hilda Esquivel

Mexicanas Positivas Frente a la Vida, Mexico

#### Julia Kim

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#### Elizabeth Mataka

United Nations Special Envoy for HIV/AIDS in Africa

#### Matilda Mogale

HIV Vaccine Trials Unit at Baragwanath Hospital, South Africa

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