SCALING UP OF HIV VIRAL LOAD TESTING IN AFRICA

DECEMBER 4TH, 2017 - 14:45-16:45
Venue: Sofitel Abidjan Hotel Ivoire (room: Balafon)
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14:45-14:50: Introduction
Pr Matilu Mwau, (Chairman), Director, Centre for Infectious and Parasitic Diseases Control Research
Kenya Medical Research Institute (KEMRI), Nairobi (Kenya)

14:50-15:20: Usefulness of the Dry Blood spot (DBS) in the HIV molecular diagnosis and monitoring scaling up in Senegal
Pr Coumba Toure Kane, Head of Bacteriology-Virology at Dalal Jam Guediawaye UTH, Dakar (Senegal)

15:20-15:40: Dry Blood spot (DBS) in accelerating HIV viral load testing in Zimbabwe
Newten Handireketi, National Microbiology Reference Laboratory (Zimbabwe)

15:40-16:00: Decentralization of HIV viral load testing and its integration into HIV services in Botswana
Bright Kofi Sakyi, Former Country Director & Senior Laboratory Advisor -University Research Company (Lesotho)

16:00-16:20: Epidemiology and diagnostic of Hepatitis E in Africa and its consequences among vulnerable persons
Pr Richard Njouom, Head of Virology Department at the Centre Pasteur of Cameroon (Cameroon)

16:20-16:45: Questions and Answers
Pr Matilu Mwau (Chairman)

INVITATION - Snacks will be served