



THE PROFESSOR DONAL O'DONOGHUE, GLOBAL KIDNEY POLICY FORUM: FOCUS ON LATIN AMERICA

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Room Hall C2*

The International Society of Nephrology's (ISN) Professor Donal O'Donoghue, Global Kidney Policy Forum (PDOGKPF) aims to bring together high-level decision-makers and stakeholders to address the burden of kidney disease in a particular country or region, and share strategies for the prevention and improved management of the disease at both the regional and global level.

The Forum's overarching objective is to enable policymakers, patients, clinicians and administrators/funders to better understand the opportunities to improve kidney health within their region(s), and propose concrete solutions that will help deliver such goals.

During the first GKPF, which took place in April 2017, stakeholders interested in addressing the growing burden of kidney disease gathered to describe, discuss and develop a set of Recommendations to Global Kidney Health to guide future efforts to reduce the burden of kidney disease worldwide. Successive Global Kidney Policy Fora are committed to the continued adherence to, and advancement of, these 10 Recommendations.

PROGRAM

15:00 – 15:45 INTRODUCTION AND SCENE SETTING

Moderator: Dr. Nelson Alberto Castro (Channel 13 News Anchorman, Argentina)

Chair: Prof. Ifeoma Ulasi (University of Nigeria Teaching Hospital, Nigeria)

- **Dr. Masaomi Nangaku** (ISN President), Welcome to The Donal O'Donoghue Policy Forum.
- **Dr. Leonardo Oscar Busso** (National Ministry of Health, Argentina), Welcome to Argentina and the Local Context.
- **Prof. Ifeoma Ulasi**, The Donal O'Donoghue Policy Forum and the 10 recommendations to Kidney Health.

Endorsed by:



- **Dr Anselm Hennis** (Pan-American Health Organization/ World Health Organization, USA), PAHO Perspective.
- **Dr. Carmen Tzanno Branco Martins** (Latin American Society of Nephrology/ SLANH, Renalclass Clinic, Brazil), 2023 ISN-GKHA Regional Paper Perspective – Latin America.
- **Ms. Marianella Sierra Canales** (ISN Patient Liaison Advisory Group, Consejo Latinoamericano y del Caribe de Pacientes Trasplantados y en Situación de Trasplante/ CLAYCOP, Honduras), Patient Representative's Insights on the Importance of Accessibility in Kidney Health.

15:30 – 15:45 [Q&A](#)

15:50 – 17:40 [ADVANCING ACCESSIBILITY IN KIDNEY HEALTH: TOWARDS SUSTAINABLE SOLUTIONS](#)

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- **Dr. Ramón García-Trabanino** (Centro de Hemodialisis, SLANH, El Salvador), Accessibility to CKD Diagnosis: Focus on CKDu (Chronic Kidney Disease of Unknown Origin) and Advancements in Diagnostic Approaches.
- **Dr. María Carlota González Bedat** (Latin American Dialysis and Renal Transplantation Registry, SLANH, Uruguay), Latin American Dialysis and Renal Transplantation Registry: Updates and Progress.
- **Dr. Guillermo Rosa Diez** (Hospital Italiano De Buenos Aires, SLANH, Argentinian Society of Nephrology/ SAN, Argentina), Special Situations in Argentina: Addressing the Challenges Faced by Individuals on Dialysis Without a Diagnosis in the Argentinian Registry.
- **Dr. María Eugenia Victoria Bianchi** (The Argentine Northeast Kidney Foundation, Argentina), Cardiovascular and Renal Risk Factors in Argentinian First Nations: A Study of Qom and Wichi Indigenous Groups.
- **Dr. Alejandro Ferreiro Fuentes** (Centro de Nefrología Universidad de la República, SLANH, Uruguay), Accessibility to Substitution Treatment in Latin America.
- **Dr. Alfonso Martín Cueto Manzano** (Hospital de Especialidades, CMNO, IMSS, Mexico), Accessibility to Programs of Prevention, and Early Detection and Treatment of Kidney Disease in Latin America.

16:55 – 17:00 [Break](#)

17:00 – 17:40 [PANEL DISCUSSION & CLOSING REMARKS](#)

- **Dr. Valerie Luyckx** (University of Zurich, Switzerland), Closing Remarks.

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ISN's 10 Recommendations for Global Kidney Health

1. Work toward prevention, early diagnosis, treatment and management of kidney diseases.
2. Monitor the burden of kidney diseases.
3. Raise public awareness of kidney diseases.
4. Address kidney diseases across the life course through universal health coverage.
5. Integrate kidney disease services within existing health and multisectoral initiatives.
6. Close education gaps on kidney diseases among all healthcare workers.
7. Invest in strengthening the kidney care workforce.
8. Strive towards equitable and sustainable access to care for kidney failure.
9. Promote and expand kidney transplantation programs.
10. Support research for kidney diseases.

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