

**COHAB 2**  
**Second International Conference on Health and Biodiversity**  
 Galway, Ireland, 25th to 28th February 2008

**Provisional timetable**

*Please note that all details are subject to confirmation.*

**Monday, 25<sup>th</sup> February – Opening Plenary Session**

***Morning Session 1 – Introduction and Welcome***

09.15 – 09.25	Welcome <i>COHAB Initiative Secretariat</i>
09.25 – 09.35	Official Address <i>on behalf of UN Secretary General</i>
09.35 – 09.50	Official Opening - Ireland Government <i>Minister John Gormley</i>
09.50 – 10.05	Official Address, North Ireland Assembly <i>Minister Arlene Foster</i>
10.05 – 10.20	Official Address, UK Government <i>Minister Joan Ruddock</i>
10.20 – 10.35	Official Address, Germany Government <i>speaker TBC</i>
10.35 – 10.50	Opening remarks <i>Conor Kretsch, COHAB Initiative Secretariat</i>
10.50 – 11.15	Official Address, UN CBD <i>Ahmed Djoghlaif</i>
11.15 – 11.35	<i>Refreshments</i>

***Morning Session 2 - Global perspectives, the MA and the MDGs***

11.35 – 12.00	World Health Organisation <i>Diarmid Campbell-Lendrum</i>
12.20 – 12.25	Wildlife Conservation Society <i>Kristine Smith</i>
12.25 – 12.50	UN Development Programme <i>Charles McNeill</i>
12.50 – 13.15	Q & A
13.15 – 14.30	<i>Lunch</i>

***Afternoon Session 1 – Global perspectives, the MA and the MDGs (continued)***

14.30 – 14.55	Bioversity International <i>Emile Frison</i>
14.55 – 15.20	UN FAO <i>Barbara Burlingame</i>
15.20 – 15.45	ProAct Network <i>David Stone</i>
15.45 – 16.10	Q & A
16.10 – 16.30	<i>Refreshments</i>

**Afternoon Session 2 - Strategies for Co-operation on Health and Biodiversity**

16.30 – 16.55	UNEP-WCMC <i>Monika MacDevette</i>
16.55 – 17.20	IUCN <i>Neville Ash</i>
17.20 – 17.45	IPCC Working Group II <i>Camille Parmesan</i>
17.45 – 18.05	Q & A
18.05	CLOSE

**Evening events**

19.00 – 20.45	<i>Welcome Reception and Speed Networking</i>
Guest speakers	19.00 – 19.15 Welcome to Galway <i>Ireland's Minister for Overseas Development Micheál Kitt</i>
	19.15 – 19.35 Sustaining Life <i>Aaron Bernstein, Centre for Health and the Global Environment, Harvard Medical School</i>
	Speed Networking, Refreshments and Entertainment

**Tuesday, 26<sup>th</sup> February – Parallel Workshops Day 1**

*Workshop 1: Disaster Prevention, Relief and Recovery - Chaired by UN CBD and the ProAct Network*

*Workshop 2: Food resources, Diet and Nutrition – Chaired by UN FAO and Bioversity International*

*Workshop 3: Emerging Infectious Diseases – Chaired by UN WHO and the Wildlife Conservation Society*

(Please note that the final session programmes will be finalised by the chairing organisations in January 2008.)

***Morning Session – “Building cross-sector understanding”***

08.50 – 09.10	Morning coffee
09.10 – 09.20	Welcome
09.20 – 09.35	Overview of workshop themes and format
09.35 – 10.05	Keynote address
10.05 – 10.50	Discussion OR presentation
10.50 – 11.10	<i>Refreshments</i>
11.10 – 12.00	Group discussions Part 1
12.00 – 12.30	Discussion OR presentation
12.30 – 14.30	<i>Lunch and Side events</i>

***Afternoon Session – “Strategic Assessments”***

14.30 – 15.00	Overview and Discussion
15.00 – 15.50	Discussion OR presentation
15.50 – 16.10	<i>Refreshments</i>
16.10 – 17.00	Group discussions Part 2
17.00 – 17.30	Discussion OR presentation
17.30	CLOSE

**Wednesday, 27<sup>th</sup> February – Parallel Workshops Day 2**

*Workshop 1: Disaster Prevention, Relief and Recovery - Chaired by UN CBD and the ProAct Network*

*Workshop 2: Food resources, Diet and Nutrition – Chaired by UN FAO and Bioversity International*

*Workshop 3: Emerging Infectious Diseases – Chaired by UN WHO and the Wildlife Conservation Society*

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***Morning Session – “Climate Change”***

08.50 – 09.10	Morning coffee
09.10 – 09.20	Welcome
09.20 – 09.35	Overview of workshop themes and format
09.35 – 10.05	Keynote address
10.05 – 10.50	Discussion OR presentation
10.50 – 11.10	<i>Refreshments</i>
11.10 – 12.00	Group discussions Part 3
12.00 – 12.30	Discussion OR presentation
12.30 – 14.30	<i>Lunch and Side events</i>

***Afternoon Session – Preparation of Workshop Reports***

14.30 – 15.30	Review of workshop discussions
15.30 – 15.50	Discussion OR presentation
15.50 – 16.10	<i>Refreshments</i>
16.10 – 17.30	Agreement of report content
17.30	CLOSE

***Evening events***

19.30 – 10.30	<i>Conference Banquet and Entertainment</i>
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**Thursday, 28<sup>th</sup> February – Closing Plenary Session**
**Morning Session – Workshop Reviews**

09.30 – 09.55	Overview of Workshop 1
09.55 – 10.20	Overview of Workshop 2
10.20 – 10.45	Overview of Workshop 3
10.45 – 11.15	Q & A
11.15 – 11.35	<i>Refreshments</i>
11.35 – 12.00	“Healing Across Cultures” <i>Todd Pesek, MD, University of Cleveland, USA</i>
12.00 – 12.25	“New approaches to Biodiversity and Human Health in the Americas” <i>Montira Pongsiri, US EPA, Washington DC, USA</i>
12.25 – 12.50	“Conservation Medicine - systemic approaches to population health” <i>Alonso Aguirre, International EcoHealth Association</i>
12.50 – 13.15	<i>Title tbc</i> <i>Larry Gorenflo, Conservation International</i>
13.15 - 14.30	<i>Lunch</i>

**Afternoon Session – Bridging the Gaps**

14.30 – 15.20	Special Panel Discussion  “Living Within Our Means?” Ecosystems, Economies and Community in 21 <sup>st</sup> Century Europe  <i>Directorates General of the European Commission: DG SANCO, DG AIDCO, DG Enterprise and Industry, DG Environment, DG Fisheries and Maritime, DG Agriculture &amp; Rural Dev</i>
15.20 – 16.10	Special Panel Discussion  “Health is not valued till sickness comes” Reducing Risks in an era of Global Change  <i>UNHCR, UNISDR, UNOCHA, CINE, IAIA</i>
16.10 – 16.30	<i>Refreshments</i>
16.30 – 17.30	Discussion on Conference Report and adoption of Galway Declaration
17.30 – 17.45	Closing Statements
17.45	CONFERENCE CLOSES