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**1. Symposium 2009 – Registration Closes TODAY!**

A reminder that registrations for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Biosecurity Symposium, to be held 9-10 February 2009 at The University of Sydney, are open (see attached flyer). A preliminary program will be distributed shortly. The deadline for registration is **30 January 2009**

Registration Fees

Registration fees for the symposium include lunch, morning tea and afternoon tea. All fees are listed in Australian Dollars:

Full registration (2 days)	\$250
Single day	\$150
Student	\$100

Symposium Dinner

The optional Symposium Dinner is to be held at the Sutherland Room, the Holme Building on the University of Sydney campus from 6:30pm on Monday 9 February. The cost (\$80) includes a three course meal and drinks.

Further registration information and a web-based registration system are available at:  
[http://www.biosecurity.edu.au/conferences\\_reg.php](http://www.biosecurity.edu.au/conferences_reg.php).

## 2. Conferences, Seminars and Journal Issues

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The Department of International Politics at the University of Aberystwyth, Wales is inviting applications for a 3-year studentship to undertake a PhD within the area of Global Health Governance. The studentship is associated with a major research programme, entitled *The Transformation of Global Health Governance: Competing World Views and Crises*. The funding provided will cover UK/EU Homes Fees plus stipend. Applications should be sent to Professor Colin McInnes at Aberystwyth University by **23 February 2009**. Further information is available via the attached PDF.

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Chatham House is holding a conference entitled *Rethinking Global Health: Political and practical challenges from foreign and security policy* on **10-11 March 2009** at Chatham House in London. Speakers include high profile officials from the WHO, US State Department, UK Foreign Office, other governments and global institutions. More information and online registration, available at: [http://www.chathamhouse.org.uk/global\\_health/](http://www.chathamhouse.org.uk/global_health/)

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The Australian Biosecurity CRC has released its annual summary of biosecurity-relevant disease outbreaks. Available at: <http://www.abcrc.org.au/pages/news.aspx?NewsArticleID=312&Display=1>

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### Previous Announcements

- *Communicable Diseases Control (CDC) Conference. 4-6 May 2009* in Canberra. More information: [www.diseases.consec.com.au](http://www.diseases.consec.com.au)
- 2010 Brocher Stays Program. Researchers (including doctoral students) can apply for a one to six-month stay at the Brocher Foundation in Geneva. Proposal deadline: **2 March 2009**. More information: [www.brocher.ch](http://www.brocher.ch) or contact [scientificprog@brocher.ch](mailto:scientificprog@brocher.ch)
- *Genetics and Genomics of Infectious Disease*. Conference: **21-24 March 2009** in Singapore. More info: <http://www.nature.com/natureconferences/ggid2009/>
- *7th ASM Biodefense and Emerging Diseases Research Meeting*. Conference: **22-25 February 2009** in Baltimore, United States. More info: <http://www.asmbiodefense.org/Abstracts.asp>
- 3<sup>rd</sup> International Conference on *Influenza Vaccines for the World*. Conference: **27-30 April 2009** in Cannes, France. More info: [http://www.meetingsmanagement.com/ivw\\_2009/index.htm](http://www.meetingsmanagement.com/ivw_2009/index.htm)
- US Department of State's **Biosecurity Engagement Program** provides funding for travel to biosecurity-related conferences. More information: <http://www.bepstate.net/index.html>

## 3. News and Articles

### Pandemic and Avian Influenza

No apparent avian outbreak at location of Chinese human cases

21 January 2009

<http://en.epochtimes.com/n2/content/view/10648/>

<http://www.theaustralian.news.com.au/story/0,25197,24942665-2703,00.html>

'Fresh warning on China bird flu'

20 January 2008

<http://news.bbc.co.uk/2/hi/asia-pacific/7839099.stm>

and another death associated with the outbreak:

<http://news.bbc.co.uk/2/hi/asia-pacific/7836791.stm>

'Nepal bird flu sparks mass cull'

20 January 2008

<http://news.bbc.co.uk/2/hi/asia-pacific/7839513.stm>

'Antiviral prophylaxis during pandemic influenza may increase drug resistance'

20 January 2009

<http://www.biomedcentral.com/1471-2334/9/4>

And the full article:

<http://www.biomedcentral.com/1471-2334/9/8>

## HIV

'Conflicting policies in China's fight against HIV/AIDS' (police and security interference)

28 January 2009

<http://www.thelancet.com/journals/laninf/article/PIIS147330990970012X/fulltext>

Prominent Iranian HIV doctors jailed over alleged coup plot

21 January 2009

[http://news.bbc.co.uk/2/hi/middle\\_east/7843207.stm](http://news.bbc.co.uk/2/hi/middle_east/7843207.stm)

*Nature* editorialises:

<http://www.nature.com/nature/journal/v457/n7229/full/457511a.html>

<http://www.nature.com/news/2009/090128/full/457517b.html>

'Conducting Unlinked Anonymous HIV Surveillance in Developing Countries: Ethical, Epidemiological, and Public Health Concerns'

20 January 2009

<http://medicine.plosjournals.org/perlserv/?request=get-document&doi=10.1371%2Fjournal.pmed.1000004&ct=1>

## Emerging and Re-emerging Infectious Diseases

'Antibiotic-Resistant Bugs in the 21st Century — A Clinical Super-Challenge'

29 January 2009

<http://content.nejm.org/cgi/content/short/360/5/439>

Review of *Emerging infections*

28 January 2009

<http://www.thelancet.com/journals/laninf/article/PIIS1473309909700167/fulltext>

'Cholera has killed almost 3,000 Zimbabweans: WHO'

28 January 2009

<http://www.abc.net.au/news/stories/2009/01/28/2475959.htm>

'Acquittals in CJD Trial Divide French Scientists'

23 January 2009

<http://www.sciencemag.org/cgi/content/full/323/5913/446>

MRSA present in US swine and swine workers

23 January 2009

<http://www.plosone.org/article/info%3Adoi%2F10.1371%2Fjournal.pone.0004258>

Analysis by author here:

[http://scienceblogs.com/aetiology/2009/01/mrsa\\_st398\\_in\\_us\\_swine.php](http://scienceblogs.com/aetiology/2009/01/mrsa_st398_in_us_swine.php)

Ebola Reston in swine in Philippines

21 January 2009

<http://www.nature.com/news/2009/090121/full/457364b.html>

<http://www.sciencemag.org/cgi/content/full/323/5913/451a>

'Dengue fever outbreak 'difficult to control''

21 January 2009

<http://www.abc.net.au/news/stories/2009/01/21/2471155.htm>

## Biological Weapons

FDA uses Bioterrorism Act to gain access to records pertaining to the US Salmonella Peanut Butter outbreak

28 January 2009

<http://www.allheadlinenews.com/articles/7013865302>

<http://www.newsday.com/news/printedition/longisland/ny-lisalm286014611jan28,0,5989227.story>

News report on the activities and organisations operating the National Biodefense Analysis and Countermeasures Center

26 January 2009

[http://www.columbusdispatch.com/live/content/local\\_news/stories/2009/01/26/Battelle\\_2.ART\\_ART\\_01-26-09\\_A1\\_4VCLL11.html?sid=101](http://www.columbusdispatch.com/live/content/local_news/stories/2009/01/26/Battelle_2.ART_ART_01-26-09_A1_4VCLL11.html?sid=101)

'Israeli Defense Department attempting to block report about anthrax trial'

22 January 2009

<http://www.haaretz.com/hasen/spages/1056673.html>

'Al-Qaeda cell killed by Black Death 'was developing biological weapons''

20 January 2009

<http://www.telegraph.co.uk/news/worldnews/africaandindianocean/algeria/4294664/Al-Qaeda-cell-killed-by-Black-Death-was-developing-biological-weapons.html>

Report on French smallpox vaccination trial

31 December 2008

<http://www.plosone.org/article/info%3Adoi%2F10.1371%2Fjournal.pone.0004087>

### Biosecurity Policy and Ethics

'Biotechnological research on the most dangerous pathogens: Challenges for risk governance and safety management'

*Journal of Safety Science*, in press (available online 11 December)

<http://dx.doi.org/10.1016/j.ssci.2008.10.010>

'Could Access Requirements Stifle Your Research?'

23 January 2009

<http://www.sciencemag.org/cgi/content/full/323/5913/464>

'State Court Orders Isolation for Tuberculosis Patient'

23 January 2009

[http://gsn.nti.org/gsn/nw\\_20090123\\_4623.php](http://gsn.nti.org/gsn/nw_20090123_4623.php)

'WHO Puts Nearly \$150 Billion Price Tag On Global R&D Strategy For Neglected Diseases'

22 January 2009

<http://www.ip-watch.org/weblog/index.php?p=1398>

### Global Health Governance and Disease Control

'Social networking: Crisis communication'

21 January 2009

<http://www.nature.com/news/2009/090121/full/457376a.html>

Discussion on the transfer of pharmaceutical manufacturing to emerging economies

21 January 2009

[http://blogs.cgdev.org/globalhealth/2009/01/a\\_taste\\_of\\_our\\_own\\_m.php](http://blogs.cgdev.org/globalhealth/2009/01/a_taste_of_our_own_m.php)

'WHO Members Make Informal Progress On Plan Of Action As Executive Board Opens'

20 January 2009

<http://www.ip-watch.org/weblog/index.php?p=1397>

<http://www.ip-watch.org/weblog/index.php?p=1404>

Best wishes and happy researching,

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