COURSE BRIEF

1. **Course Title:** International Course on the Clinical and Programmatic Management of Drug-Resistant Tuberculosis

2. **Dates and Location:** five-day in-person session from the 14-18 October 2024 in Taipei (Taiwan)

3. **Language:** English

4. **Number of participants:** 20

5. **Introduction**
The International Course on the Clinical Management of Drug-Resistant Tuberculosis is a five-day in-person course aiming to strengthen participants’ capacity in the clinical and programmatic management of drug-resistant tuberculosis. It includes pre-disposing online content with on-demand videos and quizzes. The online materials are optional, but recommended, and will be available from the Union Courses platform (internet connection is required to access them). This course is being organized by The Union in partnership with Wan Fang Hospital, Taipei Medical University and Taiwan Anti-Tuberculosis Association.

6. **Target audience**
This course is designed for clinicians, who are responsible for diagnosis and treatment of drug-resistant tuberculosis, staff of national tuberculosis programmes and technical partners, working in tuberculosis care and prevention, in low- and middle-income countries, especially in settings where programmatic management of drug-resistant tuberculosis (PMDT) had been or is going to be implemented.

7. **Objectives**
At the end of this course, participants will be able to:
- Describe the current global epidemiological situation of drug-resistant tuberculosis.
- Describe the different approaches for the detection and diagnosis of drug-resistant tuberculosis.
- Address the principles of treatment and regimen design, according to different patterns of drug-resistance.
- Review key second line and new anti-tuberculosis medicines
- Discuss common problems and possible solutions for programmatic management of drug-resistant tuberculosis.

8. **Faculty**
Prof Chen-Yuan Chiang, Dr Ignacio Monedero and Dr Rebecca Lin.
Guest speakers from the Wan Fang Hospital and the World Health Organization.
9. **What costs will be required to participate in the course?**
   Thanks to the support from the Taiwan Anti-Tuberculosis Association and the Taipei Municipal Wanfang Hospital, The Union has been able to lower the course fee to 2,000 EUR. This fee includes:
   - Five-day in-person session
   - Lunch and coffee breaks during the in-person session
   - Unlimited access to the online materials

   The fee does not include accommodation or return transportation from participant's home base to the location of the in-person session.
   The fee is payable via credit card or international bank transfer.

10. **How to apply for the course?**
    To complete your registration, you will need to submit a CV and the details of your sponsor or the person paying for the course fees. Register at https://courses.theunion.org/

11. **Are there scholarships available?**
    This year, The Union has secured external funding and is able to waive the course fees to some participants from high MDR-TB burden countries associated to a National TB Programme. To request a scholarship, please register to the course and select the "scholarship" option. You will need to submit a recent CV and a letter of recommendation. The Course Director will review your submission and we will get in touch with you to follow up on the outcome of your application.
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