



Breast cancer in the developing world: meeting the unforeseen challenge to women, health and equity
An international meeting organized by the Harvard Global Equity Initiative, the Dana Farber Cancer Institute, the Harvard School of Public Health, the Harvard Medical School and the Brigham and Women's Hospital
Boston, 3-5 November, 2009

Thematic and Regional Break-Out Session Info Sheet

Thematic Working Group Sessions (8 thematic sessions)

November 3, 2009 (time: 14.15-17.00)

Brigham and Women's Hospital

Please refer to the Agenda for room assignments

Regional Working Lunches (5 regional groups)

November 5, 2009 (time: 12.00-14.30)

Dana Farber Cancer Institute

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Description:

- Objective: The purpose of the break-out sessions will be to analyze and develop, in smaller group settings that encourage interaction, a set of key recommendations for policy, research, data and evidence and advocacy. The co-leaders will propose and guide the issues to be discussed in each session and background questions and/or materials are available on the web for each session.
- **Output:**
 1. A 5-minute presentation from each of the thematic and regional break-out sessions, by one of the co-leaders, back to the plenary at 15.00-16.15 on November 5th, immediately following the regional break-out sessions.
 2. Development, by co-leaders, rapporteurs and interested participants, of health policy notes or "Pink Papers" with input from discussion during the break-out sessions. These would be posted on the HGEI website and circulated following the conference.

Specifications

- Co-led by several experts in the designated field/geographical region
- Parallel, simultaneous sessions
- Rapporteurs and research assistants designated to each session to:
 - Conduct background research as needed for each session, as agreed upon with session co-leaders
 - Organize materials to share on the conference website and printed handouts for the participants:
 - Reading list/background materials
 - Discussion questions
 - Contribute to formulation of recommendations
 - Support development of presentations for the plenary session prior to the closing summary

