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Prof dr Jose Belizan

Subject of presentation: [Calcium for Preventing Hypertension During Pregnancy: The Research Journey from Observation to Population-Level Implementation](#)

Professor Dr José Belizán is an obstetrician, Doctor in Biology of Reproduction from Salvador University, Buenos Aires, and Doctor in Medicine from Rosario University, Rosario. He currently works as principal investigator in the Department of Research in Maternal and Child Health, Institute for Clinical Effectiveness in Argentina. He is an Associate Professor at Tulane University and the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, USA and Senior Researcher at the National Council for Scientific and Technical Research of Argentina (CONICET). He has more than 270 publications indexed in Pubmed, including in high-impact journals such as The New England Journal of Medicine, Lancet, British Medical Journal, and JAMA. In Scopus he has an H-index of 61 and more than 12000 citations. In Google Scholar an H-index of 80 and more than 28,000 citations. He was awarded the 2023 Gairdner Award in Global Science.



23rd May 2024 at
9:30 am

Venue: Room - 90.78.100.029 - Collectieve vergaderzaal MRB II - Seminarie, UZ Gent

Link virtual participation: [Symposium 'Calcium for Preventing Hypertension During Pregnancy: The Research Journey from Observation to Population-Level Implementation' – Ghent University \(ugent.be\)](#)

Dr Belizan will be at Ghent University as part of the jury for the public defense of

[Dr Venkatraman Chandra-Mouli](#) at 2 pm on 23rd May

<https://event.ugent.be/registration/PhDChandra>

Link for participating in the public defense of Dr V Chandra-Mouli: [deze link](#)



Dr Patricia Ndugga

Subject of presentation: [Findings from her post-doctoral research on parent-adolescent communication concerning sexual and reproductive health, in a border context of Central Uganda, known for high rates of early sexual initiation.](#)

Dr Patricia Ndugga is a public health expert and a population scientist with a PhD in Demography and Social Statistics from the University of Southampton, United Kingdom. She is currently based at the Department of Population Studies, School of Statistics and Planning, Makerere University, Uganda. She is a lecturer and researcher with over 12 years working experience in the field of Demography, Advocacy, and Sexual and Reproductive health. She has authored a number of journal articles, and technical reports on maternal and adolescent health focusing on HIV/AIDS, family planning, fertility and related reproductive health issues.



23rd May 2024 at
11:00 am

Venue: Room - 90.78.100.029 - Collectieve vergaderzaal MRB II - Seminarie, UZ Gent

Link virtual participation: [Symposium 'Mismatch in sexual and reproductive health communication as reported by adolescents and their parents in a border context of Central Uganda' – Ghent University \(ugent.be\)](#)

Dr Ndugga will be at Ghent University as part of the jury for the public defense of

[Mrs Susan Babirye](#) at 5 pm on 24th May

Link for participating in the public defense of Mrs Susan Babirye: [deze link](#)

Moderator



Prof Dr Marleen
Temmerman

Director of the Centre of Excellence in Women and Child Health, Aga Khan University, Nairobi, Kenya. Chairholder, AKU UNESCO Chair in Youth Leadership in Health, Education, Gender and Sciences. Founding Director of the International Centre of Reproductive Health. Professor-Emeritus Ghent University, Belgium.

Prior: 1) Director of the Reproductive Health Research Department at the World Health Organization, HQ Geneva
2) Elected Senator in the Belgian Parliament (2007-12)-member of the Commission on Social Affairs, Chair of the Commission on Foreign Affairs and Defense. Vice-President European Parliamentary Forum, Chair HIV/AIDS Advisory Group Inter-Parliamentary Union.

Strong academic background with over 600 peer reviewed publications and books in the area of women, adolescents and children health and rights, family planning, HIV/AIDS, infectious diseases, gender and gender-based violence, health systems and global health diplomacy (Scopus H-index 102).