Moving the world for the global patient through reciprocity
Inspire2Live Annual Congress 2022, February 2, 3 and 4 at the Royal Society in Amsterdam

Julian Savulescu: ‘To delay the development of a treatment that cures a lethal disease that kills 100,000 people per year is to be responsible for the deaths of those 100,000 people, even if you never seen them.’

The COVID-19 pandemic has affected all parts of the world. Solutions to the pandemic, such as vaccines, have, however, become available above all for the richer countries. The West has been reluctant to make the vaccines available at low cost for economically less powerful countries. Although it seems logical that the West first takes care of its own problems, it also shows a lack of solidarity and a consciousness of global interconnectedness: we can’t do well if other countries don’t.

In cancer research and care, we witness similar processes. The number of resources available for western countries is unparalleled compared to those in other parts of the world. So, it seems that cancer is much better treated than elsewhere. At the same time, the West is suffering from inhibitory prosperity. Because of regulation, the potential to improvise is lost. At the same time, in Africa, Latin America and Asia, access to excellent care is less taken for granted. Paradoxically, precisely in the global South unexpected ways of research and care have been developed that might be insightful for the West. In a way, the absence of means spurs the quality of being attentive to what might work. So, there is an openness to the unexpected.

In a way, in the absence of means, that give an illusion of control, the quality of being attentive to what might work, is present. Even if it means applying an n=1 approach to that patient’s treatment and going beyond the randomized control trial constraints.

Inspire2Live is successful in all parts of the world. From Australia to South America, we have hubs with patient advocates and scholar activists. The Inspire2Live network is strong and many initiatives are taken or inspired by us. But we do far too little and not good enough. If we execute what we know, we can even improve the percentage of success. Probably, we could reach over 70%. There is a need to learn from each other as a global community, so that the best approach is taken for each patient, irrespective of where that person lives.

To that end, Inspire2Live designed and implements BUCS; Bottom-Up Cancer Support. Four Ps are crucial:

- Have a big focus on Prevention. 50% of all cancers can be prevented
- When you suffer from cancer at least take care of a good Performance: physicians and patients should act wise and skilful
- When suffering from Pain, have good pain-management
- And when there is Potential in something unexpected, use it

We know this can be achieved for all citizens of the world and is cheap. Everyone can afford it.

This Annual Congress highlights the innovative practices in all continents. The key questions that we will ask: ‘What are the qualities of innovative practices in the represented countries that bear a learning for other countries?’ and ‘What can the different countries in the world contribute to each other and how can they make each other flourish to strengthen their capacities?’ We are complementary to each other. To make it work, we need an attitude of Reciprocity. That is the keyword of the 2022 Inspire2Live Annual Congress.
**Wednesday, February 2, 2022**

**Location:** The Royal Netherlands Academy of Arts and Sciences, Het Trippenhuis, Kloveniersburgwal 29, NL-1011 JV Amsterdam, [https://www.knaw.nl/en](https://www.knaw.nl/en)

16.00 – 16.45  Reception & drinks

16.45 – 17.00  Opening words by the director of the congress  Ilona Schelle (I2L)

17.00 – 17.30  I’m a patient advocate by necessity  Ghada Ibrahim (I2L)

17.30 - 18.00  The contribution of industry to patients globally  Nibedita Rath (I2L and Open Source Pharma)

18.15 - 18.45  The contribution of physicians to patients globally  Sarper Diller (Istanbul University & I2L)

18.45 - 19.15  The contribution of the WHO to patients globally  Clement Chauvet (WHO/IARC)

19.15 – 20.00  ‘The coalition of the willing’ (a panel discussion)

When science says: ‘This is how it is’. The doctors tell us: ‘This is how we can treat our patients. And the patients say: ‘This is how we want to be treated’. Who can than object and not facilitate the new approach of treating patients? Building a coalition of the willing goes before building the coalition of the ones who pull the strings. But how do you do such a thing on a global basis and have the low- and middle-income countries benefit as well?

This panel is moderated by Rebecca Malby (London South Bank Univ.). The panellists are Ghada Ibrahim (I2L), Nibedita Rath, Sarper Diller and Clement Chauvet.

20.00 – 22.00  Welcome dinner and music (guitar) performed by Mark Moss (I2L)

**Thursday, February 4, 2020**

**Location:** The Royal Netherlands Academy of Arts and Sciences, Het Trippenhuis, Kloveniersburgwal 29, NL-1011 JV Amsterdam, [https://www.knaw.nl/en](https://www.knaw.nl/en)

08.15 - 9.00  Registration with coffee and tea

9.00 – 9.15  I’m a patient advocate by necessity  Piarella Peralta (I2L)

9.15 - 9.30  Welcome by the conference chairs  Maureen Visscher & Tjebbe Tauber (I2L)

9.30 – 9.45  Welcome by the president of the Royal Netherlands Academy of Arts and Sciences  Ineke Sluiter (KNAW)

9.45 – 10.15  It starts with cooperating for the benefit of  Kwasi Boahene (PharmAccess)

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the ones that need it most

10.15 – 10.45 I’m a scholar activist by necessity
Mark Lawler (Queens Univ. Belfast & I2L)

10.45 – 11.15 Coffee, tea and networking

11.15 – 11.45 Update on how digital devices might allow us to follow symptom transitions and the effects of the fabric of life on chronic conditions
Stephen Friend (Sage & 4YouandMe)

11.45 – 12.15 Rapid fire talks of participants.
What happened in my life or my organization? What did I realize and how did I do it? In presentations of 3 minutes and 1 slide at the max inspirational participants talk about their way of refurnishing the organization, they are part of.

12.15 – 13.00 A public discussion, chaired by Rebecca Malby
‘What made me successful in changing my organization?’

13.00 – 13.30 Lunch, networking and preparation for ‘Out in the city’.

13.30 – 17.30 Out in the city.
In 3 groups we travel through Amsterdam and visit interesting organizations and places.

Group 1: PharmAccess
Kwasi Boahene (PharmAccess) & Ilona Schelle

Group 2: Tropenmuseum and Amsterdam tour
Gert Eijkelboom (DNB) & Nicole van Leeuwen (I2L)

Group 3: HMF
Edwin Cuppen (HMF), Hans van Snellenberg (HMF) & Piarella Peralta

Group 4: Antoni van Leeuwenhoek ziekenhuis (DCI)
René Bernards (AvL) & Henk van Kranen (I2L)

17.30 – 22.00 Dinner at ‘Hotel The Grand’, Oudezijds Voorburgwal 197, 1012 EX Amsterdam
http://www.sofitel-legend-thegrand.com

17.30 – 19.00 Drinks and report back ‘Out in the city’

19.00 – 19.15 Presentation of the Inspire2Live Patient Advocate Hero of Cancer Awards.
So far, we awarded Bob Pinedo, Fritz Schröder, Pauline Dekker, Wanda de Kanter, Stephen Friend, Bob Weinberg and Laura van ’t Veer for their contribution to patients. This year we will honour other researchers or clinicians with this advocacy award.

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