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Press Invitation

TO: **NEWS EDITORS.**

EVENT: **TWO DAYS ANNUAL CONFERENCE ON NEGLECTED TROPICAL DISEASES BEGINS IN NAIROBI.**

DATES: **WEDNESDAY, 6TH, DECEMBER TO THURSDAY, 7TH, DECEMBER, 2017.**

VENUE: **SAROVA PANAFRIC HOTEL NAIROBI**

TIME: **9.00AM**

Kenya Medical Research Institute (KEMRI) is hosting a two days annual 11th Neglected Tropical Diseases Conference (NTDs) to be held at the **Sarova Panafric Hotel Nairobi** this **Thursday, 7th December, 2017** from **9.00 am**. Director of Medical Services, **Dr. Jackson Kioko** will officially open the two-day conference.

This year's conference with the theme "**Partnership towards achievement of the global goals for control, elimination and eradication of Neglected Tropical Diseases,**" brings together over 150 health professionals including researchers, policy makers, implementers and other stakeholders working on all aspects of NTDs to review progress and chart the way forward in the research and control of NTDs in the African region.

The conference is jointly organized by the Neglected Tropical Diseases Unit of the Ministry of Health and KEMRI and has received over 70 abstracts covering current issues of NTDs. Keynote speakers include Prof. Eric Fevre, a professor of Veterinary Infectious Diseases at the Institute of Infection and Global Health (IGH), University of Liverpool, but based at the International Livestock Research Institute (ILRI), Nairobi. Others include Dr. Mwangi Thumbi (KEMRI-Washington State University), Dr. Ruth Chunge (Centre for Tropical and Travel Medicine) and Dr. Robert Harrison (Liverpool School of Tropical Medicine).

The media is invited to attend and provide coverage.

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