

European Malaria Advocates Demand Concrete Action from G8

As the G8 leaders prepare to meet in Japan (7-9 July 2008), the European Alliance Against Malaria (EAAM) is looking to the G8 leaders themselves to honour their previous pledges of aid and action on health, especially for Sub-Saharan Africa and the world's poorest.

Specifically EAAM;

- Applauds the commitment made by the G8 in 2007 to provide \$60 billion to address health-related needs in sub-Saharan Africa, including support for health systems strengthening and efforts to fight malaria, HIV/AIDS and TB
- Calls for the G8 to report on progress toward fulfilling this commitment since the 2007 summit and identify a timeframe in 2008 for reaching the goal of \$60 billion in health funding for sub-Saharan Africa, with an emphasis on "front-loading" the provision of funding for increased impact
- Urges the G8 to continue their leadership in addressing the needs of sub-Saharan Africa, in partnership with African governments, communities and civil society of the malaria endemic countries
- Requests that the G8 identifies tangible areas for health-related development initiatives with an emphasis on all aspects of health systems strengthening and commits to the increases in funding for R&D into the new tools needed to combat malaria.

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The European Alliance Against Malaria is a committed group of 12 civil society organizations from Brussels, France, Germany, Spain and the UK working for a malaria-free world. Focused on European action in a global context, we aim through advocacy to increase funding and improve programming for malaria, demanding concrete and resolute action as part of global efforts to reduce poverty and meet the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs).

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