



Kuwait - 2007

3rd World Day for Organ Donation and Transplantation

Kuwait was the first country to start organ transplantation in the Arab Gulf States in 1979. Despite being a small country, it enjoys the highest rate of kidney transplantation from living and deceased donors in the Middle East and Asia.

Kuwait has been one of the first countries to realize the danger of transplant tourism and report on the risks of adverse events for recipients of purchased kidneys in particular that of transmissible infections such as hepatitis and HIV/AIDS.

2nd World Day for Organ Donation and Transplantation

Buenos Aires, Argentina
26 October 2006

Fairtransplant

Fairtransplant is a foundation created in Geneva to promote communication and awareness on the issues of organ donation and transplantation. At the forefront of its concerns, the need for transparency, equitable access, safety and accountability of transplantation procedures around the world. In this respect, Fairtransplant collaborates with The Transplantation Society, and the World Health Organization.

Fairtransplant provides the continuity for the World Day for Organ Donation and Transplantation, aiming to improve the collaboration of all stakeholders, from government to patients, on the values that should be associated with transplantation.

By promoting transparency, equitable access, safety and accountability, Fairtransplant opposes commercialization of organ donation, whether on a local, national or international scale.

Fairtransplant is located in Geneva, hosts a website -www.fairtransplant.org- where promotional and educational material on organ donation and transplantation can be consulted or downloaded (including the logo "ORGAN DONATION A GIFT FOR LIFE").



ORGAN DONATION
A GIFT FOR LIFE



With the co-sponsorship of the Pan American Health Organization and the World Health Organization



1st World Day for Organ Donation and Transplantation

Geneva, Switzerland - 14 October 2005

The 1st World Day for Organ Donation and Transplantation took place in Geneva, on the eve of the XII meeting of the European Society for Organ Transplantation, with the participation of the Council of Europe, of the World Health Organization, of representatives of The Transplantation Society, of Government Authorities and of Patients' Associations. The aim was to bring together for the first time all stakeholders in Organ Donation and Transplantation, highlighting themes and concerns that are shared across political and regional boundaries, in particular the implementation of the Resolution WHA57.18 of the 57th World Health Assembly (Human Organ and Tissue Transplantation).

The Day was organized as four round tables discussing 1) quality of life in transplant patients, 2) sport as a means of rehabilitation and of public awareness, 3) the economical aspects of organ transplantation and 4) a global perspective on access and regulation to organ transplantation.

During the 1st World Day a free logo and song "A gift for life", symbolizing support to organ donation were launched. At the end of the Day, Argentina was passed the baton to organize the 2nd World Day.

Highlights of the Day, the logo, the song and the full content of the round tables are available on request and on the Fairtransplant website (www.fairtransplant.org) and can be freely used for educational and promotional purposes.



A children's choir performing the original song "A gift for life", on the 1st World Day for Organ Donation and Transplantation. The words, musical score and the live recording of the song can be freely downloaded from www.fairtransplant.org

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PROGRAM

- **Opening Ceremony**
 - National Authorities, Sanitary Authorities, World Health Organization (WHO), Pan American Health Organization (PAHO), Fairtransplant Foundation, Scientific Societies
 - VI Argentine and III Latin American Transplant Games: Parade of Delegations
- **Round Table 1**
 - Current Situation on Donation and Transplantation in Latin America -by the Transplantation Society for Latin America and the Caribbean (SLATC)-
- **Round Table 2**
 - Transplant, Community and Social Participation (Testimonials of Patients and Organizations)
- **Round Table 3**
 - Donation and Transplantation in the Education System (Education and Health Authority Officials)
- **Round Table 4**
 - Access and Regulation for Organ Transplantation in the Countries of the Pan American Health Organization (PAHO Representatives)
- **Round Table 5**
 - Transplantation: a Global Perspective (Representatives of WHO regions, PAHO, Council of Europe, Ibero-American Council, Fairtransplant Foundation)
- **Closing Ceremony**
 - Passage of the Baton to Kuwait, host of the 3rd World Day for Organ Donation and Transplantation.

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