European Development Days – Global Health Challenges

The European Development Days is hosted by the European Commission and the EU Presidency, Sweden, and will take place in Stockholm the 22-24 of October this year. AAI will participate in an event called “Global Health Challenges”, in collaboration with the Global Fund, UNAIDS, GAVI Alliance and Stop AIDS Alliance. The event will explore effective approaches to meeting the forthcoming deadline of Universal Access by 2010 and achieving the health related Millennium Development Goals. The participants of the high level panel discussion are; Per Strand - AAI’s Scientific Director, Michel D Kazatchkine - Executive Director of Global Fund, Bertil Lindblad - Director of UNAIDS Office, New York, representatives from the European Commission and the Swedish and Spanish Government, Hendrietta Ipeleng Bogopane-Zulu - Deputy Minister of Public Work of Parliament in South Africa, Gates Foundation and Comic Relief among others. Read more

AAIs Rating Center in Cape Town

The AAI Rating Center is now established in Cape Town, South Africa. We would like to extend our warmest gratitude to the Human Sciences Research Council (HSRC) for helping us with the establishment by generously offering us to share office space. Welcome to contact our new office: AIDS Accountability International, Plein Park Building, 69-83 Plein Street, Cape Town, South Africa, Tel: +27 21 466 79 56.

Launch of the AIDS Accountability Scorecard on Women

On World AIDS Day 2009, we will launch The AIDS Accountability Scorecard on Women - Are governments keeping their promises? The scorecard will be a tool for assessing to what degree countries are fulfilling their political commitments from a gender perspective, in order to respond effectively to the HIV/AIDS epidemic. As a complement to the AIDS Accountability Country Scorecard that was launched in 2008, the AIDS Accountability Scorecard on Women will add a dimension to the analysis in terms of how well country responses are attuned to the needs of women and girls. A similar scorecard focusing on sexual diversity will be developed and launched next year. The AIDS Accountability Scorecard on Women has been developed by the Gender Development Team advised by the AIDS Accountability Expert Panel and the Group of 9. Please contact Karin Nilsson, Communications Manager for further information: karin@aidsaccountability.org Read more

Business Ranking Initiative Progress

This fall, AAI is taking some important steps in the process of developing an AIDS Accountability Business Ranking. The aim of the Business Ranking is to create a mechanism that will reintroduce the notion of Company Best Practice and Corporate Citizenship in HIV/AIDS.

AAI is currently establishing a Business Ranking Development Team to assist us in developing and piloting a ranking methodology. We have also created a Business Ranking Blog were you can get updated information of the development of the ranking and related initiatives, and submit comments. Visit the blog!

Finally AAI wishes to welcome Anita Krug and Katarina Jansson as Interns at the Stockholm Secretariat this fall.