ACT now: Accuracy, Completeness, and Transparency in health research reporting

Provisional Programme Outline (updated 23 May 2012)

DAY 1 – 11 October 2012	
9.45	*Meeting opening* **Focus of the day: current practice, problems, and their consequences**
	Session 1 – State of Play – Where are we now?
10.00	*Topics include:* Research literature: what are the main issues in research publication? Journals: how is research published? Research organisations: what they do to ensure responsible research conduct and its publication
	Speakers include: **Doug Altman, Liz Wager, Steven Goodman**
11.15	*Break*
	Session 2 – State of Play – Where are we now?
11.45	*Topics include:* Global issues: focus on problems in non-English speaking countries, less economically developed countries, etc. Impact of poor reporting on the development of systematic reviews and clinical guidelines Impact of poor reporting on patient care
	Speakers include: **Luis Gabriel Cuervo, Erik von Elm, Iain Chalmers**
13.00	*Lunch*
	Session 3 – Research presentations
14.00	Contributed talks
15.30	*Break*
	Session 4 – Initiatives to improve transparency of health research
16.00	*Topics include:* EQUATOR, trial registration, research protocols, SPIRIT, COMET, OPEN project
	Speakers include: **An-Wen Chan, Joerg Meerpohl, Iveta Simera, Paula Williamson**
17.00	*Discussion*
17.30	**Drinks, nibbles and poster presentations**
19.00	*End of workday*

DAY 2 – 12 October 2012	
9.00	*Meeting opening* **Focus of the day: how to change current practice – how to ACT**
	Session 1 – Teaching, learning, putting into practice
9.05	*Topics include:* Knowledge translation: how to change current practice Specific areas for quality improvement in research reporting Training of scientists, students, editors, reviewers, etc.
	Speakers include: **Paul Glasziou, Ana Marusic, David Moher**
10.20	*Break*
	Session 2 – Power and responsibilities of organisations
10.50	*Topics include:* Focus on funders, regulators, journals, universities and research organisations
	Speakers include: **Virginia Barbour, Amanda Burls, Marcus Muellner, Mark Pitman**
	Panel discussion
12.00	**Session 3 – 4th EQUATOR Annual Lecture by John Ioannidis**
13.00	*End of meeting*