

OS04-1 **FIP activities: linking global health issues with pharmaceutical sciences to achieve responsible use of medicines**

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The International Pharmaceutical Federation (FIP) is the global federation gathering 126 national associations of pharmacists and pharmaceutical scientists. To achieve its mission "to improve global health", FIP stimulates pharmaceutical sciences development through several projects run by its Board of Pharmaceutical Sciences, such as the study of the impact of pharmaceutical sciences over the last 50 years, the future of pharmaceutical sciences, its Pharmaceutical Sciences World Congress and the reform of education of pharmaceutical scientists so that they are equipped with the skilled needed in the future. Through its unique structure, gathering pharmacists and pharmaceutical scientists organisations, FIP developed the concept of "responsible use of medicines" (i.e. the process by which patients receive the appropriate medication). Pharmaceutical scientists play also an important (and often underestimated) role in achieving responsible use of medicines.