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SciDev.Net Announced as Official Media Partner for 6th World Conference of Science Journalists

SciDev.Net is proud to announce its media partnership with the 6th World Conference of Science Journalists (WCSJ2009) to take place in London in June 2009. WCSJ2009 will bring established and aspiring reporters, writers and science communicators from around the world to debate, network, develop their professional skills and report on the latest advances in science and technology.

Collaboration between Scidev.Net and the WCSJ2009 will lead to the creation of added value content of particular interest, not only to WCSJ2009 and Scidev.Net audiences, but also to journalists and science communicators from developing countries.

This will result in potential pre- and post-event articles, live blog coverage from the conference, a SciDev.Net networking event and opportunity during the conference to meet the SciDev.Net team including the regional news editors.

Alex Ife, Deputy Director of SciDev.Net, feels this partnership is key because "the WCSJ provides a unique opportunity for science journalists from around the world to come together to discuss issues facing the professional and in particular to explore the challenges of communicating science and technology related issues that impact on social and economic development especially in the developing world".

SciDev.Net is a continued supporter of the World Conference of Science Journalists and was heavily involved in 2007 when the conference was held in Melbourne, Australia, championing the bid to bring the 6th conference to London.

For further information visit the [WCSJ2009 page on SciDev.Net](#)

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Notes to Editors

SciDev.Net

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It does this by providing reliable and authoritative information through a free-access website containing news, views and analysis about science and technology in the developing world.

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In addition, SciDev.Net builds regional networks of individuals and institutions that share its commitment to improving science and technology communication, and organises workshops and other events in the developing world to build capacity in this field.

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