

## Karel Styblo Public Health Prize - 22 Nov. 2025

At the World Conference on Lung Health in Copenhagen, Denmark, on November 22, 2025, the prestigious Karel Styblo Public Health Prize was shared by the Desmond Tutu TB Center at Stellenbosch University in South Africa, and the Former TB Division of the U.S. Agency for International Development.

Accepting the award on behalf of the TB Division was Cheri Vincent, most recently TB Team Leader at the USAID Global Health Bureau. Her remarks begin at 2:40 and continue to the end of the video.

When Ms. Vincent began to speak, she asked the other USAID TB Division veterans present – there were 10 – to join her on stage. Then, to end her remarks, Ms. Vincent asked the following members of the audience to stand and remain standing: first, all those who were ever employed by USAID; then all those who ever received a USAID-funded salary; then all those who ever worked for an organization funded by USAID; and, finally, all those who had ever collaborated with the USAID TB team.

The video focuses on the stage, and the hall itself is dark, so only the silhouettes of those seated in the first row are visible. However, a member of the audience (Dr. Paul D. Sonenthal) reports that, by the time Ms. Vincent was done, the entire audience was on its feet, applauding.

[Click here](#) to see the video.