

Operation  Smile

Changing Lives One Smile at a Time

**GLOBAL  
HUMANITARIAN  
APPROACH TO  
CRANIO FACIAL  
DEFORMITIES  
IN THE WORLD**

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**M**any humanitarian Charities in the world work with the aim of giving assistance to populations in less developed countries. They usually work in an emergency context, such as wars or urgent care, including serious medical and surgical lack, jeopardizing the life of the whole populations involved.

Craniofacial malformations in most cases do not involve a real risk for life, but they cause functional and aesthetic impairments that can affect drama-

tically people's life. It is to taken into consideration also the judgment and the exclusion derived from the negative supernatural interpretation given to these pathologies in many countries, which complicate considerably the integration opportunities in social and family areas.

This gathering of the major humanitarian organizations that, around the world, give assistance for these pathologies, offers the opportunity to show the work carried out to verify the organizational processes, the standards of quality achieved by these organizations, that are actually high and give accessible assistance to an increasing number of patients.

## PROGRAM

09. <sup>00</sup> – 09. <sup>15</sup>	Welcome by the President of the Chamber of Deputies – GIANFRANCO FINI
09. <sup>15</sup> – 09. <sup>30</sup>	Welcome address by the President of Operation Smile Italy – SANTO VERSACE
09. <sup>30</sup> – 09. <sup>45</sup>	Introduction by the Medical Director of Operation Smile Italy – DOMENICO SCOPELLITI
09. <sup>45</sup> – 10. <sup>00</sup>	Director General for Development Cooperation - Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs ELISABETTA BELLONI
10. <sup>00</sup> – 10. <sup>15</sup>	Operation Smile – RANDOLPH SHERMAN
10. <sup>15</sup> – 10. <sup>30</sup>	World Craniofacial Foundation (WCF) USA – KENNETH SALYER
10. <sup>30</sup> – 10. <sup>45</sup>	Interethnos Interplast Italy – PAOLO MORSELLI
10. <sup>45</sup> – 11. <sup>00</sup>	Progetto Sorriso nel Mondo – ANDREA DI FRANCESCO
11. <sup>00</sup> – 11. <sup>15</sup>	Director of Rare Disease National Centre - ISS - DOMENICA TARUSCIO
11. <sup>15</sup> – 11. <sup>30</sup>	Associations of parents of children affected by Cleft Lip and Palate
11. <sup>30</sup> – 11. <sup>45</sup>	Italian Minister of Health – FERRUCCIO FAZIO

The participation to the Symposium is upon invitation.

Invitation may be asked to the Fondazione Operation Smile Italia Onlus, person in charge: MAILA GATTI.

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