

Non-communicable diseases: Africa must 'spend a lot more'

BERLIN, GERMANY: According to *scidev.net*, Olive Shisana, CEO of the South African Human Sciences Research Council, said at the World Health Summit in Berlin, Germany that infectious diseases, such as tuberculosis and HIV/AIDS, are expected to decline while non-communicable diseases, including cardiovascular disease, cancer and diabetes, will increase in Africa over the coming decades.



According to the *scidev.net* report, Shisana said African health scientists need more funding and support to overcome barriers and deal with a changing health situation on the continent, and she is also reported to have said that the continent's investment in infrastructure is inadequate, especially at a time when Africa is going through an epidemiological transition.

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