

## Event Sponsors

### **AFRICA LIVE: The Roll Back Malaria Concert**

#### **Sponsor Background**

##### **About the Sumitomo Chemical Company**

Founded in 1913, Sumitomo Chemical has grown to be a leading multinational chemical company with sales amounting to US\$11.0 billion and 19,000 employees around the world.

The company offers a diverse range of products, including petrochemicals, basic chemicals, fine chemicals, IT-related chemicals, agricultural chemicals, pharmaceuticals, and is aggressively pursuing a large-scale refining and petrochemical project in Saudi Arabia and the production of materials for liquid crystal displays (LCDs).

A strongly R & D-oriented company, Sumitomo is the inventor of the Olyset long-lasting mosquito net technology, capable of remaining effective in controlling malaria-transmitting mosquitoes for at least 5 years without re-treatment. In its commitment to ensure stable supply in Africa, Sumitomo, in close cooperation with the WHO, UNICEF, and ExxonMobil, transferred its Olyset technology to A to Z Textile Mills in Tanzania.

##### **About the United Nations Foundation**

The UN Foundation, located in Washington D.C, promotes a more peaceful, prosperous, and just world through the support of the United Nations. Through its grant-making and advocacy, and by building innovative public-private partnerships, the UN Foundation acts to meet the most pressing health, humanitarian, socio-economic and environmental challenges of the 21st century. The UN Foundation is a philanthropy founded by Mr. Ted Turner through his historic billion-dollar commitment to support the UN.

The UN Foundation, along with the American Red Cross, the US Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF), and the World Health Organization (WHO), have led the Measles Initiative since it was launched in February 2001. The largest integrated health intervention of its kind, the Measles Initiative has vaccinated 200 million children and prevented 1.2 million measles deaths and in 2004, began to



evaluate a nationwide approach to combat malaria, distributing more than 800,000 insecticide-treated nets in Togo.

**About Exxon Mobil Corporation**

Malaria is a disease which threatens both ExxonMobil's African workforce and its community. ExxonMobil has implemented a comprehensive workplace malaria control program and since 2000 has given more than \$10 million to fund health organizations and programs to fight malaria in the broader African community. Grants include support for programs to tackle malaria at the individual community level, programs to promote the research and development of new drugs, and projects to advocate for awareness and support internationally.