

# Graduate School Special Seminar



## Rehabilitation: the health strategy for the 21st century - Really?

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Health, social and economic trends should serve as a call to policy-makers to invest not only in health services that reduce mortality and morbidity, but also in those that improve functioning and well-being. These outcomes are at the core of rehabilitation, so *why are rehabilitation services often underdeveloped, under-resourced and undervalued?*

This presentation will explore the importance of rehabilitation in universal health coverage. It will introduce current commitments and actions, and what still needs to be done.



Dr Alarcos Cieza is a native of Spain. Alarcos was formerly Chair and Professor of Medical Psychology at the Faculty of Social and Human Sciences at the University of Southampton in the United Kingdom. She led the research unit for over ten years at the Department of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation and then at the Pettenkofer School of Public Health at the Ludwig-Maximilians-University, Munich, Germany. Dr Cieza oversees the work on rehabilitation and disability including disability data at the World Health Organization.

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