



**PMAC** | PRINCE MAHIDOL  
AWARD CONFERENCE **2022**

## **OPENING SESSION**

**KEYNOTE SESSION - ARMCHAIR CONVERSATION**

## | BACKGROUND

For the Keynote Session of PMAC 2022, the live armchair conversation will replace the usual series of keynote speeches. The armchair conversation will be the highlight of this event, with world top class speakers discussing about “THE WORLD WE WANT: Actions Towards a Sustainable, Fairer and Healthier Society”. In the armchair conversation, the speakers will each give a brief 5-minute speech, then the moderator will ask questions.

## | OBJECTIVES

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Moderator

## David Harper

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Professor David Ross Harper is the Managing Director of Harper Public Health Consulting Limited. He is also a Senior Consulting Fellow for the Global Health Program at Chatham House. Previously, David was the Chief Scientist and Director General for Health Improvement and Protection in the UK Department of Health. In addition, he has been Special Adviser to the WHO in Geneva. A scientist by training, David graduated in microbiology from the University of Dundee and gained his PhD in biochemistry from the University of Birmingham. He is a Fellow of the Royal Society of Biology, a Fellow of the Faculty of Public Health of the Royal College of Physicians, and an honorary Fellow of the Royal Society of Public Health. He was awarded the Commander of the Order of the British Empire in 2002. He has honorary Professorships at the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine and the University of Dundee, and an honorary Doctorate of Science from Cranfield University, where he is also a visiting Professor.