

## THE INSTITUTE OF AFRICAN STUDIES AND THE INSTITUTE OF HEALTH: SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, AND POLICY PRESENTS

## "Outlasting Peace: The Challenge of Providing Primary Health Care in Northern Uganda" WITH

## Dominique Corti Teasdale-Corti Foundation

## Friday, November 15, 1:30-3:00 pm 436 Paterson Hall, Carleton University\*

The survival of humanitarian organizations in post-war environments is always a great challenge. Lacor Hospital is located in northern Uganda, a region recovering 25 years of civil war. Although northern Uganda is now at peace, emergency humanitarian donors are now leaving the region for other conflict areas, and Lacor Hospital is facing the loss of their funding. The survival of Lacor Hospital is paramount if low cost quality medical services are to continue to be offered to the local population. Dr. Corti will discuss the ongoing challenges of maintaining funding for health care in a recovering war zone.

**Dominique Corti** was born at Lacor Hospital in Gulu, Northern Uganda. Her parents, Drs. Piero Corti and Lucille Teasdale, one of Canada's first female surgeons, turned a small 30-bed clinic into Lacor Hospital, one of the largest and best medical centres in equatorial Africa. Dominique grew up in her mother's operating room at Lacor Hospital and attended school in Gulu, studying in Acholi, the language spoken by the Lwo. Due to political instability in Uganda, Dominique was forced to continue her studies in Italy and later in Kenya. Dominique studied medicine at the University of Milan, Faculty of Medicine, and in 1998, she graduated *cum laude* after defending her thesis.

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