

Marleen Temmerman awarded 2010 BMJ lifetime achievement

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Professor Marleen Temmerman

Winner of this year's award Professor Marleen Temmerman co-founded the International Centre for Reproductive Health, based in Ghent and Kenya. She is a courageous campaigner on behalf of women's health; As Professor of Obstetrics and Gynaecology at the University Hospital in Belgium, Head of the Obstetrics and Gynaecology department at the Ghent University Hospital, and a senator in the Belgian Parliament, Temmerman effectively integrates politics and medicine.

She received the award for her commitment to improving women's reproductive and sexual health and rights, particularly in the African region.

On receiving the award Temmerman said: "This award gives me the forum to highlight the values and the topics that are important to me and to ask for attention and commitment from the scientific and political communities of this world for women's health and rights worldwide. Winning this award means a lot, as it is recognition of our work—not only of its scientific value but also of the importance of combining science with social responsibility and social values."

Professor Temmerman has published more than 250 scientific articles and four books, coached more than 120 research projects, and is a consultant for WHO and a QUALMAT member.

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