



## **Idis appoints new General Manager for Global HQ**

**London, 13 July, 2009:** Idis has appointed Tony Dutta to the position of General Manager, based at the company's global headquarters in the UK. Idis is a global organisation that partners with biotech and pharmaceutical companies to create ethical Named Patient Programmes to enable patients with unmet medical needs to gain access to medicines during many stages of the lifecycle, including the pre-approval stage. In this new position, Dutta will be accountable for managing the operations of the company and delivering the corporate business strategy on a day to day basis.

Dutta joined Idis in 2006 as Senior Vice President and Director of Operations.

Commenting on the appointment, Natalie Douglas, CEO of Idis, said, "Tony has played a pivotal role at Idis over the last four years developing a stronger operational platform to enable us to grow internationally in support of our customers' needs. Moving forward, as General Manager, Tony takes on significant commercial and leadership responsibility as we enter an exciting and dynamic phase of growth for the company."

The role demonstrates the ongoing evolution of the company that has over 20 years' experience in partnering with a wide range of biotech and pharmaceutical companies and health care professionals to create access to medicines for patients who have no other options, including those medicines that are at the end stage of their lifecycle. As an organisation, Idis also supports biotech and pharmaceutical companies to responsibly manage the procurement of comparator medicines by developing bespoke comparator management strategies.

Idis works closely with the biotech and pharmaceutical industry, pharmacists, physicians and medical authorities to supply medicines in the pre-approval, pre-launch and later lifecycle phases in an ethical and responsible way.

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**About Idis**

Idis is the global leader in creating and delivering programmes that enable patients around the world to gain access to medicine in the pre-approval and later lifecycle phases for a variety of serious conditions. Working closely with drug developers, pharmacists, physicians, medical authorities and other organisations, Idis creates this access through Named Patient Programmes (NPP) by forming strategic partnerships that ensure that Idis' highly specialised services are fully utilised by healthcare professionals, biotech and pharmaceutical companies and clinical research organisations throughout the world for the benefit of the patient.

Visit [www.idispharma.com](http://www.idispharma.com) for more information.

**About Tony Dutta**

Tony joined Idis in 2006 as Senior Vice President and Director of Operations, following his role as Head of Operations with Schering Plough UK. He has over 20 years experience in the pharmaceutical industry, with particular expertise in establishing compliant, flexible and secure international supply chains. He also has extensive experience in working with regulatory bodies around the globe and a proven track record for reducing total strategic acquisition costs on behalf of his customer base.

His qualifications include an MBA with a focus on Procurement Strategies.

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