

INVITATION

HIGH-LEVEL SYMPOSIUM ON KOREA'S LEADERSHIP ON GLOBAL HEALTH IN THE COVID-19 ERA AND BEYOND

WEDNESDAY, 31 MARCH 2021 15:00-18:00 KST / 08:00-11:00 CET

The high-level symposium will explore the role of Korea's leadership in global health within the COVID-19 era and beyond and discuss how Korea is ready to further support the international community efforts to tackle long-standing threats such as malaria, TB or HIV as well as COVID-19, and the next pandemic.

The Korean government, diplomats, global health leaders including executives from the WHO and the Global Fund, leaders in science, and civil society will discuss an integrated approach to global pandemic response. They will also discuss opportunities for Korean leadership in healthcare innovation, civil society engagement, and critical support to health systems in low- and middle-income countries.

COVID-19 has changed the face of global health and has made clear that our global health security is only as strong as the world's weakest health system. Investments in global systems for health including laboratories, surveillance and data systems, prevention, diagnostics and lifesaving treatments have always been critical to keep citizens safe from infectious diseases including HIV, TB and malaria, and to help fight new threats like COVID-19.

These investments, along with support for community systems and responses, contribute significantly to pandemic preparedness and health security. Only an integrated approach to pandemic response will help us defeat COVID-19, prepare us for the next health threat and save lives.

In mapping a pathway to prevent future threats, the capabilities and the infrastructure built to defeat existing pandemics, such as malaria, have a vital role. As a strong leader in pandemic preparedness, and key contributor to innovation in testing and care, Korea's growing engagement in multilateral initiatives that contribute to equitable access to lifesaving tools and health system resilience will be a game changer for protecting the world against the existing infectious diseases but also the next pandemic.

This event is hosted by the Korean Ministry of Foreign Affairs and The Global Fund, and supported by partners such as, the RBM Partnership to End Malaria, Malaria No More, and Korean Advocates for Global Health.

MAIN SPEAKERS INCLUDING

H.E. BAN KI-MOON, THE EIGHTH SECRETARY-GENERAL OF THE UNITED NATIONS

H.E. CHOI JONG-MOON, VICE MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS, REPUBLIC OF KOREA

MR PETER SANDS, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE GLOBAL FUND

DR ABDOURAHMANE DIALLO, CEO, RBM PARTNERSHIP TO END MALARIA

MR CHO YEONGMOO, DIRECTOR GENERAL FOR DEVELOPMENT COOPERATION, KOREAN MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS

DR BRUCE AYLWARD, SENIOR ADVISOR TO THE DIRECTOR-GENERAL, WHO & HEAD OF THE ACT-ACCELERATOR HUB (ACT-A)

MR BAE KYUNG TAEK, DIRECTOR GENERAL FOR PLANNING AND COORDINATION, KOREA DISEASE CONTROL AND PREVENTION AGENCY

MRS BIRGIT PICKEL, DIRECTOR-GENERAL FOR GLOBAL HEALTH, PANDEMIC PREPAREDNESS AND ONE HEALTH, GERMAN MINISTRY FOR ECONOMIC COOPERATION AND DEVELOPMENT

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