

Les Pensières Center for Global Health Veyrier-du-Lac (FRANCE)

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ACDx advocates for the value of diagnostics in global health and builds capacity for critical decision-making on diagnostics in the developing world through partnerships and networks.

This week-long intensive course enhances the knowledge and professional network of participants. This year there will be a focus on AMR and access to quality-assured diagnostics, in addition to an overview of the latest advances in the field.



Organised by

The Mérieux Foundation and the London School of Hygiene & Tropical Medicine

Course director: Prof. Rosanna Peeling

Who should apply?

Scientists and decision-makers involved in the development of diagnostic tools or in the design and implementation of strategies and policies on the use of diagnostics in the control of infectious diseases at national and international levels

Programme fees

Accommodation fees including three meals a day for the full period of the course: €1,300*

Registration fees:

- Participants from academic, government institutions & NGOs: €1,700*
- SME & sponsors from industry: €2,700*
- Other industry participants: €4,700*

*VAT included. All fees are due in full to confirm participation. Additional accommodation fees will apply for days beyond the course.







PROVISIONAL PROGRAMME

Sunday, September 16th

Overview of the Role of Diagnostics in Global Health

Session objectives:

- Learn about the role of diagnostics in global health
- Review access to quality assured diagnostics in the context of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)

Monday, September 17th

Access to Diagnostics: Lessons Learned

Session objectives:

- Learn about access to diagnostics for public health programmes
- Learn about policy issues in access and share best practice

State of Art Diagnostics and Innovation Needed to Improve Access

Session objectives:

- Review state-of-the-art diagnostics for major infectious diseases
- Brainstorm on innovation needed to improve access

Tuesday, September 18th

Access to Diagnostics for AMR

Session objectives:

- Learn the role that quality-assured diagnostics play in implementing AMR strategies and policies
- Review policies to accelerate access to diagnostics for AMR response



Wednesday, September 19th

Access to Diagnostics for Epidemic Preparedness

Session objectives:

- Learn the challenges of access to diagnostics in outbreak situations
- Explore options for collaborative research and development (R&D) and accelerating the pathway to market and adoption for epidemic preparedness

AFTERNOON

Free for networking, tutorials and special sessions.

Thursday, September 20th

Diagnostic System Strengthening to Improve Access

Session objectives:

- Review laboratory Infrastructure required to support global health priorities
- Review challenges in diagnostic systems (laboratory and Point-of-Care test systems) with respect to quality, capacity building, accreditation, data connectivity and governance, biosafety and waste management

Sustainable Diagnostic Systems

Session objectives:

- Explore options for public and private partnerships to build sustainable diagnostic systems to meet public health needs
- Learn about partners who need to work together to increase access

Friday, September 21st

Partnerships and Networks

Session objectives:

- Learn about ways to communicate through networks, websites and other opportunities
- Brainstorm on key elements in building successful partnerships and networks for emergency preparedness

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