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# EPI-COURSE 2026

4<sup>th</sup> edition

6–10 July 2026

Deadline: 15 February 2026

Les Pensières Center for Global Health  
Veyrier-du-Lac, France

Epidemiology in complex emergencies for effective surveillance and response

## Key figures

30 Participants

20 Speakers

5 Intensive days of training

1 Certificate



## About EPI-COURSE

This epidemiology course, in French, aims to strengthen participants' knowledge and skills in managing complex emergencies. It also promotes collaborations between participants from different countries in order to strengthen surveillance and response to epidemics according to a 'One Health' approach.

### Organized by

The Mérieux Foundation and Epiconcept

### Under the direction

Dr. Sandra Cohuet and Prof. Philippe Vanhems

### Course language

French



## PROGRAM

### Day 1

Define a complex emergency, identify action priorities, conduct a rapid initial assessment, and organize a field mission.

### Day 2

Set up a surveillance and alert system, define its objectives and characteristics, and learn how to evaluate its effectiveness.

### Day 3

Conduct an epidemiological investigation, understand the components of global response systems, and apply infection prevention and control measures.

### Day 4

Integrate the roles of laboratories and social mobilization, including community engagement, in epidemic response efforts.

### Day 5

Incorporate research in the context of complex emergencies and discuss strategies for implementing protocols.

### TARGET PUBLIC

French-speaking epidemiologists working in human, animal and/or environmental health

### SELECTION CRITERIA

- Background and professional experience in epidemiology
- Knowledge of infectious diseases and epidemiological methods (design of epidemiological studies, surveillance)
- Impact of the course at the personal, institutional, and national levels

### COURSE FEES

#### Accommodation

All participants (including 3 meals a day for the full period duration of the course):  
€1,800\*

#### Registration

- Participants from academic and governmental institutions or NGOs: 2 400 €\*  
• Industry participants: €3,200\*

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

Each day includes interactive sessions featuring practical exercises and simulations to reinforce learning in a dynamic and engaging way.

To register:



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