

EU scientific advice platform on COVID-19

29 November 2022

11:00 to 16:15

Jean Monnet meeting room, 13th Floor Berlaymont building, Rue de La Loi, 200, Brussels

11:00 Coffee served

11:10 Family photo

11:15 Introduction by Ms Stella Kyriakides, European Commissioner for Health and Food Safety and Professor Peter Piot, Special Advisor to the EC President.

11:30 – 13:00 Plenary discussion around key issues:

- How to communicate clearly with the public about COVID-19 measures and vaccination? What messages are most effective and how to best deploy them? What to do about vaccine hesitancy in view of the low uptake of boosters?
 Impulse speaker: Heidi Larson, Professor of Anthropology and Risk, University of Antwerp, and Director, Vaccine Confidence Project.
- What is the pipeline of medical countermeasures against COVID-19? What needs to be done to speed up development and access to the next generation of medical countermeasures?

Impulse speaker: Pierre Delsaux, Director-General, Health Emergency Preparedness and Response Authority (HERA).

- 13:00 14:00 Lunch at Berlaymont Building, 13th floor
- 14.15 15:15 Long COVID impact, characterisation, public health response.

 Impulse speaker: Sandra Gallina, Director General for Health and Food Safety (DG SANTE).
- 15.15 16:00 Next steps on COVID-19, influenza and other health security challenges.

 Impulse speaker: Professor Peter Piot, Special Advisor to the EC President.
- 16:00 16:15 Concluding remarks: Ms Stella Kyriakides, European Commissioner for Health and Food Safety and Professor Peter Piot, Special Advisor to the EC President.