

# Global Health Policy Forum

**Brussels, 12 June 2014**

The Global Health Policy Forum discussed Global Health Research at the premises of the Committee of the Regions on 12 June 2014. The European Commission hosted the Forum and kicked-off the event with five short presentations from the Research and Innovation Directorate-General. The topics elaborated were:

- European Commission funded research contributing to the health-related MDGs under the Union's 7<sup>th</sup> Framework Programme,
- International health research under Horizon 2020, the Global Alliance on Chronic Diseases,
- The Second European and Developing Countries Clinical Trial Partnership programme and
- Global Research Collaboration for Infectious Disease Preparedness.

Three NGOs also presented. Firstly, the Pharmaccess Foundation exemplified the importance of public financing in vaccine development by depicting the research process of a human hookworm vaccine. Second, the European Academic Global Health Alliance underlined the importance of research in particular in the light of the post-2015 Agenda and a coherent approach in development. Climate change, the global burden on disease concept and big data were amongst the highlighted fields. Finally, Medicines Sans Frontiers outlined the main challenges it encountered in the field and catalysed a discussion with an array of questions on EDCTP, the post2015 agenda and the CEWG.

The participants endowed the plenary dialogue by various multipolar and fruitful discussions. Copies of presentations are attached.