

BE READY

OFFICIAL LAUNCH CEREMONY

Paris – 17 February 2026

PROGRAMME

9:00 a.m. ARRIVAL & WELCOME COFFEE

MASTER OF CEREMONY: **Kathrin HAPPE**, Head of operations GloPID-R
Secretariat, Charité Center for Global Health, Germany

9:30 a.m. WELCOME ADDRESS

- **Hervé RAOUL**, BE READY Coordinator, Deputy Director, ANRS Maladies Infectieuses Emergentes – INSERM, France

9:35 a.m. KEYNOTE ADDRESSES

- **Philippe BAPTISTE**, Minister for Higher Education, Research, and Space, France (*video message*)
- **Ekaterina ZAHARIEVA**, Commissioner for Startups, Research and Innovation, European Commission (*video message*)
- **Anne-Claire AMPROU**, Ambassador for Global Health, France (*video message*)
- **Yazdan YAZDANPANA**H, Director, ANRS Maladies Infectieuses Emergentes – INSERM, France
- **Invitations ongoing (Ministry of Health representatives)**

10:00 a.m. GROUP PICTURE & NETWORKING COFFEE BREAK

10:45 a.m. CONTEXTUALISING BE READY NOW WITHIN THE GLOBAL PANDEMIC PREPAREDNESS' LANDSCAPE

MODERATOR: **Pilar AGUAR FERNANDEZ**, Director "People: Health and Society",
DG Research & Innovation, European Commission

- **Sylvie BRIAND**, Chief Scientist of the World Health Organisation – WHO
- **Willo BROCK**, Representative to the European Commission, Coalition for Epidemic Preparedness Innovations – CEPI
- **Michael MAKANGA**, Executive Director, European and Developing Countries Clinical Trials Partnership – Global Health EDCTP 3
- **Dana BURDUJA**, Head of Life sciences and Health Division, European Investment Bank – EIB

- 12:15 a.m. COCKTAIL LUNCH**
- 2:00 p.m. PRESENTATION OF THE VISION FOR THE EUROPEAN PARTNERSHIP FOR PANDEMIC PREPAREDNESS**
- MODERATOR: Hervé RAOUL**, BE READY Coordinator, Deputy Director, ANRS Maladies Infectieuses Emergentes – INSERM, France
- **BE READY Partners**
- 3:30 p.m. NETWORKING COFFEE BREAK**
- 4:00 p.m. INTEGRATION OF THE PARTNERSHIP IN THE EUROPEAN HEALTH UNION AND THE HEALTH EMERGENCY FRAMEWORK**
- MODERATOR: Cornelius SCHMALTZ**, Senior Expert, Health Emergency Preparedness and Response Authority (HERA), European Commission
- **Jaroslav WALIGORA**, Deputy Head of Unit “Health Security”, Directorate-General for Health and Food Safety (SANTE), European Commission
 - **Thomas HOFMANN**, Head of Section Emergency Preparedness and Response), European Centre for Disease Prevention and Control – ECDC
 - **Marco CAVALERI**, Head of Public Health Threats, European Medicines Agency (EMA)
 - **Shahida SYED**, Head of Secretariat, One Health Antimicrobial Resistance Partnership
- 5:45 p.m. CLOSING**
- **Hadja LAHBIB**, Commissioner for Equality, Preparedness and Crisis Management, European Commission (*video message*)
 - **Hervé RAOUL**, BE READY Coordinator, Deputy Director, ANRS Maladies Infectieuses Emergentes – INSERM, France
- 6:30 a.m. COCKTAIL DINNER**



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