European Response to Environmental or Health Crises: Could Foundations Contribute?

Symposium, 8 June 2022, Salle Hugot at Institut de France

This symposium brings together scientists, philanthropists and EU stakeholders to better understand the prerequisites for a rapid “science-based” response to an environmental or health crisis. We will attempt to identify the conditions under which private initiatives aimed at the public good can effectively complement institutional responses.

9h30 OPENING (XAVIER DARCOZ, CHANCELIER DE L’INSTITUT DE FRANCE)

9:35 Martin Andler (ICE, Univ.Versailles-St Quentin): Presentation of the June 2020 call of European scientists for the creation of a European Foundation for the Prevention of Environmental and Health Crises

SESSION 1: FROM SCIENCE TO ACTION-DRIVEN RESEARCH (CHAIRPERSON: FRANCIS-ANDRE WOLLMAN, ACADEMIE DES SCIENCES, PARIS)

9:45 Andréa Crisanti (Univ.Padova): Science, politics and interactions in the early response to the pandemic in Veneto, Italy
10:15 Gertjan Medema (Univ.Delft): Epidemiological analyses of wastewater
10:45 Léon Barron (Imperial College, London): Rapid approaches to measure chemical usage, exposure and risk in water at scale
11:15 Coffee-Break
11:30 Robert Vautard (Institut Simon Laplace, Paris): Extreme weather and climate events: from acute crises to a permanent crisis
12:00 Round-table: Self-organization of research communities in responding to crises (Robert Barouki Paris-Cité, Frédéric Barra, Institut Pasteur, Vincent Marechal, Sorbonne Université, Stefan Jansson, Univ.Umea, Christophe d’Enfert, Institut Pasteur
12:45 Lunch Break

SESSION 2: CRISSES RESPONSES AT EUROPEAN LEVEL? (CHAIRPERSON: ALAIN FISCHER, ACADEMIE DES SCIENCES, PARIS)

14:15 Elisabeth Cardis (ISG Global, Barcelona) European action during the COVID 19 crisis: financing of multinational cohort projects for epidemiological surveillance
14:45 Bartlomiej Kurcz (HERA, European Commission, Brussels): Presentation of HERA (European Health Emergency preparedness and Response Authority)
15:15 Sophie Szopa (Institut Simon Laplace, Paris): The role of IPCC in the European policy regarding climate change: which transition from analysis and advices to action-driven research?
15:45 Coffee-Break

SESSION 3: CIVIL SOCIETY IN ACTION (CHAIRPERSON: MARC FONTECAVE, ACADEMIE DES SCIENCES, PARIS)

16:00 Michel Goldman (Univ. libre, Brussels): Philanthropies as key partners in public-private partnerships
16:30 Delphine Moralis (Philea, Brussels): Diversity of statutes of national Foundations acting at the European level: the lack of a legal status for European Foundations
17:00 Round-table: The views of Foundations views regarding action at the European level for the Prevention of Environmental and Health Crises (Bernard Wach, ICE, Marc Fontecave Fondation College de France, Héloïse Dufour, Cercle FSER, Isabel Marey-Semper, Administratrice indépendante, Denis Duverne, Fondation pour la Recherche Médicale
17:45 Alain Tedgui and Michel Marian (ICE, Paris): Concluding remarks

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