



## Workshop Health

UNITY of PURPOSE: Scientific partnerships for Innovation and Research

### Background and challenges

The COVID 19 pandemic presented us with an enormous challenge and, at the same time, an enormous opportunity to work together towards the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), which are all interlinked and leaving no one behind. We have learned that we cannot meet the challenges alone. The COVID 19 pandemic has accelerated international partnerships to strengthen health systems for disease prevention and management and ensure equitable distribution of resources globally. The world has learned that multidisciplinary international cooperation as a collective action is key in addressing the health risks. With rapid advances in new innovative technologies and data-sharing capabilities, strategic partnerships between the private sector, academia and policymakers can ensure equitable health outcomes around the world. The last few years have shown us the importance of moving from the traditional step-by-step model for R&D to an agile approach that can both shorten time to market and expand production scale to find quick solutions to future health threats.

### Aims of the Workshop

With the SDG targets as a common denominator and focusing on global health, this workshop aims to build a comprehensive partnership between interested parties that reflects their strategic priorities and connects multidisciplinary actors from academia, research, industry, and policy makers.

### Key-questions for in-depth discussions in the workshop

- Existing Academic's sphere of impact in Vietnam
- Methods to strengthen the needed capacities and priorities in academia and research
- Global opportunities to strengthen Clinical research in the region
- Potentials for academic/research funding by stakeholders, entrepreneurs, and industrial partners
- Increase a critical mass of quality research and researchers in distinct domains
- 'Unity of Purpose': Networking of networks
- Existing gaps in science, policy, and practice
- Sustainability of a research partnership

### Target participants

- Entrepreneurs
- Policy makers
- Stakeholders
- Funding agencies
- Universities
- Industry
- Research institutes from Germany and Vietnam

### Potential benefits to Vietnamese and German participants

An opportunity for both sides to meet people and build relationships that can benefit all sectors. Surrounded by other like-minded people, the outcome of this workshop will be the development of new ideas, innovations, technology transfer opportunities, improved creative intellect, strengthening business relationships, leveraging networks for ideas, raising professional profiles, building a brand, and sharing best practice knowledge with regional and global networks.



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### Outreach

A roundtable discussion is planned to support dialogue between multidisciplinary actors in the region and to promote further collaboration. How partnerships contribute to an even more effective implementation of the SDGs and how ongoing collaborations could expand their contributions to facilitate the transfer of academic knowledge to society.

### Participants:

#### Stakeholders

- Federal Foreign Office (AA)
- Federal Ministry of education and Research (BMBF)
- Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ)
- Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ)
- Hospital Partnerships Program
- German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD)
- German Research Foundation (DFG)
- German Center for Infection Research (DZIF)
- Alexander von Humboldt-Stiftung (AVH)
- Ministry of Science and Technology of Vietnam (MOST)
- The National Foundation for Science and Technology of Vietnam (NAFOSTED)
- Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) of the United Nations
- Vietnamese German University (VGU)

#### Participants (with research projects or GER-VN-cooperation):

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### Agenda

April 26th, Duy Tan University

Time	Program	Speaker/Comments
16:00 – 16:10	Objectives for workshop Introduction of participants	<b>Prof. Dr. T. P. Velavan</b> Universität Tübingen, VG-CARE
16:10 – 16:30	Presentation of the BMBF aided VG-CARE Center and its activities (VG-EXCEL/ HEPNET/PACE-UP)	<b>Phạm Thị Anh Mai</b> ITM-EKUT/VG-CARE
16:30 – 16:40	‘Emerging Zoonotic Threats: Nipah viruses’	<b>Prof. Dr. Christian G. Meyer</b> Institute of Tropical Medicine, University of Tübingen, Germany (ITM-UT)
16:40 – 16:50	VABIOTECH -Portfolio	<b>VABIOTECH</b> , Vietnam
16:50 – 17:00	Modified Vaccinia Virus Ankara (MVA) – robust and adaptable vaccine platform	<b>IDT- Biologika GmbH</b> , Germany
17:00 – 17:25	‘MVA-Nipah – Vaccine Candidate’	<b>German Center for Infection Research (DZIF)</b>
17:25 – 17:35	Research on the application of the Elispot technique in the rapid diagnosis and detection of TB bacteria in Vietnam	<b>Dr. Huong Thi Thu Bui</b> , Thai Nguyen University of Medicine and Pharmacy, Thai Nguyen Central General Hospital, Vietnam
17:35 – 17:45	Emerging infectious diseases Vaccines and therapeutics Clinical research/Trials	<b>ALL (Round table discussion)</b>
17:45 – 18:00	Formulation of a conclusion for the panel discussion for <b>27.04.2023 (Bilateral initiatives/Grants/Focus)</b>	ALL
18.30	<i>Dinner, Networking</i>	