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Symposium

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SUPPORTING SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH

AGAINST PANDEMICS:

A CRITICAL IMPERATIVE TO MEET THE SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS

In the context of the Global Fund's
6th Replenishment Conference

Centre des Congrès
Room Bellecour 1+2, Lyon
France

October 9th, 2019

1-3 PM

A symposium organized jointly by the **French Ministry of Higher Education, Research and Innovation**, **Aviesan**¹, **AllEnvi**² and in partnership with **Sidaction**³ and **Friends of the Global Fund Europe**⁴ to advocate for the essential role of research in the fight against the three major pandemics. It has three main objectives:

1. Assist with the mobilization for the replenishment of the Global Fund to ensure the continuation of the fight against the three major pandemics (HIV / AIDS, TB, Malaria).
2. Emphasize the importance of research in the fight against the three major pandemics and identify the research actions that will accelerate the fight against other diseases.
3. Highlight the importance of extending mobilization beyond the three major pandemics.

Programme

Introduction: **Gilles Bloch**, President of Aviesan, CEO of Inserm

Keynote lecture by **Anthony Fauci**, Director of the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases (NIAID)

Followed by three sessions on crosscutting themes:

Vaccinology: **Nick Drager & Gerald Voss**, Executive & Scientific Directors of TuBerculosis Vaccine Initiative (TBVI)

Vector control: **Elena Levashina**, Group Leader of the Max Planck Institute for Infection Biology

Evaluation of the effectiveness of interventions: **Nicolas Meda**, former Burkina Faso Minister of Health

Soumya Swaminathan, Chief Scientist at the World Health Organization & **Jean-François Delfraissy**, President of the French National Ethics Committee will moderate the symposium.

Closing remarks: **Frédérique Vidal**, French Minister of Higher Education, Research and Innovation.

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¹ **Aviesan**: the French National Alliance for Life Sciences and Health, including among others CEA, CNRS, Institut Pasteur, IRD, Inserm and ANRS.

² **AllEnvi**: the French National Alliance on research for the environment, including among others CEA, CIRAD, CNRS, IRD.

³ **Sidaction**: French Non Profit NGO dedicated to funding the fight against Aids.

⁴ **Friends of the Global Fund Europe**