Program of the seminar

Healthy lives for all in 2030

International scientists and philanthropists,
Let’s unite to reach the Sustainable development goals
Thanks to research and innovation

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Seminar “Healthy lives for all in 2030”
An initiative of:

Jean-Paul Moatti

President and Chief Executive Officer of the French national research institute for sustainable development (IRD).

Professor at the Aix-Marseille University, health economics specialist, Jean-Paul Moatti focused his research on developing countries, contributing to the fight against major HIV/AIDS and malaria pandemics, to the access of essential medicines, to the reinforcement of health system and to the reduction of social and sanitary inequalities. He carried out many national scientific responsibilities, notably in the INSERM (French research organization dedicated to human health), CNRS (French National Center for Scientific Research) and The French agency for AIDS and viral hepatitis research (ANRS), as well as in international organizations such as the WHO and UNAIDS. He is a UN selected scientist for the 2019 Global Sustainable Development Report (GSDR).

The French national research institute for sustainable development (IRD)
Internationally recognised multidisciplinary organism, the IRD is an essential scientific referent on the major development stakes. For 75 years, it has defended a distinctive approach of research, expertise, professional training and knowledge sharing to the benefit of regions and countries who chose science and innovation to lever and support their development.

Alain Mérieux

President of the Mérieux Institute and founder of Biomérieux.

He is also President of the Mérieux Foundation, an independent familial foundation dedicated to the fight against infectious diseases that affect the most vulnerable populations in developing countries, especially mothers and children.

Doctor in pharmacy, Alain Mérieux has been made Grand Officier of the French Legion of Honour.

The Mérieux Foundation
Created in 1967, the Mérieux Foundation operates nowadays in more than 20 countries worldwide, in regions prone to infectious outbreaks, and lead their own projects, working closely with local and international partners. The Mérieux Foundation embrace a One Health approach, crossing boundaries between human and veterinary medicine, joining public and private actors. The Foundation also contributes in other partners’ projects, providing financial, operational or human resources support.

Philippe Augé

President of the University of Montpellier, president of the community of universities and establishments (COMUE) Languedoc-Roussillon University (France). Philippe Augé is leading the I-Site MUSE, Montpellier University of Excellence, dedicated to the scientific research in the agricultural, environmental and health areas. He is professor of public law, specialist of fiscal law, fiscal procedures and public finances.

The I-SITE MUSE, “Montpellier Université d’Excellence”
The project gathers the forces of 19 institutions towards a common ambition: create in Montpellier (France) a thematic research-intensive university that will be internationally recognized for its impact in the fields of agriculture, environment and health, in order to address three major intertwined challenges that are consistent throughout the U.N. 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and the Paris Agreement on climate change: Feed, Protect, Care.

Benoît Miribel

President of the French Foundation Center (CFF), Chief Executive Officer of the Mérieux Foundation, president of honour of the French Action Against Hunger. Benoît Miribel is co-founder of the magazine “Humanitarian Alternatives”.

The French Foundation Center (CFF)
First initiated in 2002, the French Foundation Center is an association currently gathering almost 300 French foundations. It is dedicated to promoting the development of foundations in France and to enhancing their local, national and international representation by improving the knowledge of their status and action and supporting their developing projects. The CFF support and strengthen a growing and diversifying sector.
Expand private and public actions to protect health, as a common good

Since the creation of the Millennium Development Goals, historic advances have been made in reducing child mortality, improving maternal health and combating HIV/AIDS, malaria and other diseases.

Facing global change, world health remains a crucial challenge in a complex and highly interdependent ecosystem. The universalization of access to care is essential, but doesn’t guarantee health for all: health inequalities are too often rooted upstream of the care system. These inequalities notably contribute to increasing the risks of emerging infectious diseases, on increasingly permeable grounds and territories.

The Goal Three of the United Nations 2030 Agenda “Good Health and Well-Being”, interacting with all other Sustainable Development Goals, contains many issues related to nutrition, education and pollution.

The ambition of this agenda and the current technological advances represent a great opportunity for innovation, through powerful, agile, private and public coalitions and new forms of cooperation, in terms of interdisciplinary research, epidemiological and infection monitoring, prevention, preparation and response to epidemic threats, access to care and treatment, and especially training (in the field and online), data sharing and production of new global knowledge.

The philanthropic private sector mobilization in the field of health and scientists, with public, national, European and international institutions is therefore essential.

These realities led to the organisation of the Seminar “Healthy lives for all in 2030” which aims to be a creative sharing moment intended to join and expand private and public actions, in order to protect world health, a common good.

Based on peer-to-peer meetings with committed international scientists, this seminar will provide an opportunity to understand more about the health situation on the ground facing global challenges and to discuss the concrete means how best to reduce these inequalities. It will offer also the opportunity to peck a view in remote and risky areas, to discover a fair, innovative, and socially committed science: research for sustainable development.

In a nature nest, and with high-level speakers, attendees will be able in a short time to increase their knowledge on advanced research topics, generate and promote new projects, change those projects’ scale and widen their impact thanks to scientific research.

The Seminar is a call for action —now and together— particularly for “voiceless” patients in remote areas and on research topics often neglected. These actions are necessary to reach the “healthy lives for all” goal, for a common future.
**Keynote speakers**

**Erik Orsenna**
Economist, Erik Orsenna is a renowned writer, French academician, researcher and teacher of international finance and development economics (University Paris I, Ecole normale supérieure). He is Ambassador of the Pasteur Institute since 2016. He worked in the cabinet of Jean-Pierre Cot, Minister of Cooperation, on multilateral negotiations. Erik Orsenna is then cultural advisor to François Mitterand. Later, with Roland Dumas, Minister of Foreign Affairs, he works on democratization in Africa and relations between Southern Europe and the Maghreb. He is now an honorary member of the French Council of State. He is also a writer, several of his novels have been rewarded. He has been elected to the French Academy in 1998.

**Habiba Bouhamed Chaabouni**
Professor of medical genetics at the University of Tunis, Habiba Bouhamed Chaabouni conducts epidemiological studies on consanguinity in northern Tunisia. She set up a medical genetics and consultation service to encourage people to run prenatal diagnostic tests and she carries research on genetic diseases in her country. She is the African winner 2006 of the Oréal-Unesco Prize for her contribution to the analysis and prevention of hereditary diseases in Tunisia. She is a corresponding member of the French National Academy of Medicine and member of the Tunisian Academy of Sciences, Letters and Arts.
Program (second day)

Tuesday 19th, June 2018

Share ambitions, dreams, combine resources, grow the impacts

8.30 am ● Introduction
Elisabeth Barbier, Deputy Director General of the IRD
Raphaël Gusdorf, Executive Director of the AXA Research Fund

9.00 am ● Tour de pitchs : Voyage au cœur de la science équitable - Charles Méneux room
Five minutes to discover each innovative research project with high societal impact
Presentation: Florence Migot-Nabias, Deputy Director of the IRD’s Health and Societies department
Benjamin Roche, co-Director of the CREEC Institute (Centre for Ecological and Evolutionary Cancer Research)

10.30 am ● Break

11.00 am ● Workshops, choose one

▷ Emerging Infectious Risks and Resistances - Simone Mérieux room
What are the major sanitary risks and resistances to be answered to achieve healthy lives for all in 2030?
Guest speakers: Hubert Endtz, Research Director of the Mérieux Foundation
Christine Katlama, “Clinical epidemiology of HIV infection: Therapeutic strategies and comorbidities” team leader,
Pierre Louis Institute of epidemiology and public health
Florence Migot-Nabias, Deputy Director of the IRD’s Health and Societies department
Vincent Corbel, IRD researcher in the MIVEGEC joint research center
Cécile Cames, IRD researcher in the TransVIHMI international joint research center
Philippe Solano, Director of the Intertryp joint research center

▷ Environmental and Sanitary Transitions - Mont Veyrier room
What prospects for health development under the influence of global changes?
Guest speakers: Henri-Luc Thibault, Director of the IRD’s International and European relations department
François Pierrat, Vice-president (innovation and partnerships) of the University of Montpellier, coordinator of the
I-SITE MUSE project
Flore Gubert, Director of the IRD’s Societies and Globalisation department
Jacques Mercier, Vice-president (scientific research) of the University of Montpellier
Fabienne Hejoaka, IRD researcher in the TransVIHMI international joint research center

12.30 am ● Lunch

2.00 pm ● Plenary session - Charles Mérieux conference room

▷ Opening: Béatrice Garrette, Director General of the Pierre Fabre Foundation

▷ Workshops feedbacks
Emerging Infectious Risks and Resistances: Ahidjo Ayouba, IRD researcher in the transVIHMI research center
Environmental and Sanitary Transitions: Stéphanie Dos Santos, IRD socio-demographer in Burkina Faso

▷ Panel discussion “Health, a common good, join and expand the actions”
Professor Jean-Paul Moatti, CEO of the French national research institute for sustainable development
Alexandre Dumont, IRD research director of the French Centre Population and Development (CEPED) and winner 2018 of the Birth Day Prize
Linus Bengtsson, co-founder and executive director of the Flowminder Foundation
Aziza Dangote, Dangote Foundation Commissioner, Ambassador for the Sustainable Development Goals
Christine Katlama, “Clinical epidemiology of HIV infection: Therapeutic strategies and comorbidities” team leader, Pierre Louis Institute of epidemiology and public health
Thierry Taboy, founder of the Digital Society Forum, corporate social responsibility director for the Orange group

4.00 pm ● Break

4.30 pm ● Conclusions and perspectives - Charles Mérieux room
Alain Mérieux, President of the Mérieux Institute and founder of Biomérieux, President of the Mérieux Foundation
Professor Jean-Paul Moatti, CEO of the French national research institute for sustainable development
Guest speakers
by order of appearance

Elisabeth Barbier
Deputy Director General of the IRD, Elisabeth Barbier is diplomat of the French Ministry of Europe and Foreign Affairs (MEAE). After her mission as Ambassador of France to South Africa between 2013 and 2016, she has been special envoy for Libya. She was also Ambassador of France to Kenya; Deputy Director in charge of Africa and Indian Ocean at the French Ministry of Foreign Affairs; and First Counsellor at the Permanent Representation of France to the Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe (OSCE) in Vienna. Elisabeth Barbier is Officer of the Order of the Legion of Honor.

Béatrice Garrette
Executive Director of the Pierre Fabre Foundation, Béatrice Garrette has spent part of her career in the media and publishing sector. She has held the position of President and CEO of Malesherbes Publications within Le Monde group and previously led the photojournalism agency Sipa Press and was a publisher in the Bayard Group where she developed the international youth education press.

Raphaël Gusdorf
Executive Director of the Axa Research Fund, Raphaël Gusdorf was Head of operational risk and Head of selection and partnerships for the Axa Research Fund.

Éric Delaporte
Physician epidemiologist and Professor of tropical diseases in the Montpellier, Éric Delaporte is head of the “Translational Research Applied to HIV/AIDS and Infectious Diseases” (TransWHIM) research unit. He has been made a chevalier of the Legion of Honor in July 2014, along with Martine Peeters, for their discovery of the geographic epicentre and origin of HIV-1 in Africa.

Florence Migot-Nabias
IRD’s Research Director of immune-parasitology, Florence Migot-Nabias is deputy director of the IRD’s Health and Society department (SAS). She works in the “Mother and Child Facing Tropical Diseases” laboratory (MERIT). Her field work in Benin was useful for molecular anthropology researches for the identification of the Human’s African origin.

Benjamin Roche
Researcher of parasitology and evolutionary biology, Benjamin Roche is the « Epidemiology and Health » team leader in the Unit for Mathematical and Computer Modeling of Complex Systems (UMMISCO). He is co-director of the Centre for Ecological and Evolutionary Cancer Research (CREEC). He left for Mexico in 2017 to further his researches in partnership with the National Autonomous University of Mexico. He co-directs the interdisciplinary program “global changes and emerging infectious risks”.
Cécile Cames
Epidemiologist and nutritionist of the IRD, Cécile Cames is a researcher in the international joint unit Translational research on HIV and infectious diseases - TransVIHMI (IRD, INSERM, University of Montpellier). Her current research focuses on nutritional and metabolic disorders for children and adolescents with HIV in Senegal.

Vincent Corbel
Medical entomologist in the “evolution of the vector systems” team of the laboratory Infectious diseases and vectors: ecology, genetics, evolution and control (MIVEGEC), Vincent Corbel studies mosquito resistance to insecticides and evaluates new tools for the fight against malaria and dengue in the Caribbean, West Africa and Southeast Asia. He coordinates the WIN network, an international network monitoring and managing insecticide resistance in arbovirosis vectors.

Hubert Endtz
Microbiologist and director of applied research for the Mérieux Foundation, Hubert Endtz was Head of R&D and deputy Chairman of the Department of Medical Microbiology & Infectious Diseases, as well as Professor of Tropical Bacteriology at Erasmus University in Rotterdam. Prior to that, he held leadership positions at the International Centre for Diarrheal Disease Research, Bangladesh (ICDDR). Recently, he chaired a WHO expert group on global campylobacteriosis, which has been a focus of his research.

Christine Katlama
Specialist of infectious, parasitic and tropical diseases, Christine Katlama is leader of the “Clinical epidemiology of HIV infection: therapeutic strategies and co-morbidities” team of the Pierre Louis Institute of Epidemiology and Public Health (INSERM and UPMC Paris universities). Her work contributed to the discovery of the HIV-2 virus. She is also a member of the Board of Directors of the European AIDS Clinical Society (EACS) and the IRD’s Strategic Orientation Council.

Philippe Solano
Specialist of parasitology in Burkina Faso and in the Republic of Côte d’Ivoire, Philippe Solano is research director of the IRD and of the French Agricultural research center for international development (CIRAD). He is Director of the joint research unit on Host-vector-parasite-environment Interactions in neglected tropical diseases caused by trypanosomatids (Intertryp).

Henri-Luc Thibault
Director of the IRD’s International and European Relations Department, Henri-Luc Thibault was previously Head of the department of multilateral affairs of the French Ministry of cooperation, Head of the department of international affairs of the French Ministry of ecology, and more recently, Director of the Blue Plan for the environment and development in the Mediterranean. Henri-Luc Thibault is general engineer of the Corps des Ponts, des Eaux et des Forêts, engineer doctor in agro economy.

François Pierrot
Research Director of the CNRS, François Pierrot is the vice-president of valorisation and industrial partnerships at the University of Montpellier. He is also coordinator of the I-SITE MUSE project, Montpellier University of Excellence.
Flore Gubert
Economist and Head of the IRD’s “Society and Globalisation department”, Flore Gubert is also an associate researcher at Paris School of Economics. She is scientific coordinator of the European Expert Network on International Cooperation and Development, in the European Commission’s Directorate-General for International Cooperation and Development (DG DEVCO).

Jacques Mercier
Specialist in biology-pathology, Jacques Mercier is Director of the unit “Physiology and Experimental Medicine of the heart and muscles” (PHYMEDEXP - University of Montpellier, INSERM, CNRS). He is also Vice President of scientific research at the University of Montpellier.

Fabienne Hejoaka
Anthropologist, Fabienne Hejoaka is an associate researcher at the international joint research unit on HIV and infectious diseases - TransVIHMI (IRD, INSERM, University of Montpellier). Her research focuses on strategies for optimizing and integrating HIV care for children and adolescents in West Africa.

Cheikh Sokhna
Medical biologist, researcher in parasitology and emerging bacterial diseases, and malariologist, Cheikh Sokhna is director of the research unit “Emerging Tropical Infectious Diseases” (URMITE) of the IRD in Senegal. He is also an expert in Senegal’s National Malaria Control Program (PNLP).

Emmanuel Bonnet
Geographer, Emmanuel Bonnet is a researcher at the “Résilences” international joint unit, with the Ivorian Center for Economic and Social Research. His research focuses on the assessment of population’s vulnerability, mainly on health issues and environmental risks in West Africa. He leads an innovative project on road safety in West Africa.

Ahidjo Ayouba
HIV/AIDS epidemiologist, Ahidjo Ayouba works in the “HIV/AIDS genetic diversity; emergence of retrovirus and other pathogens” team from the “Translational Research Applied to HIV/AIDS and Infectious Diseases” (TransVIHMI) international joint research unit. His work focuses on Central (Cameroon, the Democratic Republic of Congo) and West Africa (the Republic of Côte d’Ivoire).

Stéphanie Dos Santos
Socio-Demographer at the Population-Environment-Development Laboratory (LPED) in Ouagadougou, Burkina Faso, Stéphanie Dos Santos contributes to the work of the Higher Institute of Population Sciences (ISSP). Her research interests include access to water and environmental health, particularly in sub-Saharan urban areas.
Aziza Dangote

Graduate of Biomedical Sciences from the University of Warwick, England, Aziza Dangote has joined UCL (University College London). She is delegate of the Dangote Foundation, the largest African foundation, positioned on nutrition, health and education. The Dangote Foundation is the corporate social responsibility branch of the Dangote Group, established in Nigeria by Aliko Dangote - the richest man in Africa - in 1981, and funds many charitable funds in Nigeria and Africa. The Dangote Foundation was the largest private contributor to the African Union Ebola Trust ($3 million as donation).

Linus Bengtsson

Specialist of global public health, Linus Bengtsson’s academic research focuses on public health applications of information technology in low-income settings. He is co-founder and executive Director of the Flowminder Foundation (Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, Rockefeller Foundation, NU Foundation and the Data-Pop alliance). The mission of the Foundation is to improve public health and welfare in low- and middle-income countries.

Stéphane Bertani

Molecular biologist Stéphane Bertani works on the oncological problem in Latin America and is team leader in the Pharmacochemistry and Biology for Development Unit (PHARMADEV). He participated in the development of the Biobank of the National Cancer Institute of Peru, where he co-directs a research team on liver cancer.

Alexandre Dumont

Reproductive epidemiology specialist, Alexandre Dumont is research Director from the French Institute for Sustainable Development (IRD) in the French Centre Population and Development (CEPED). He won in February 2018 the Birth Day Prize (one million euros) for his work on maternal and perinatal mortality in Mali and Senegal.

Hervé Ladsous

Ambassadeur et diplomate français, Hervé Ladsous est conseiller spécial auprès de Michaëlle Jean, Secrétaire générale de l’Organisation Internationale de la Francophonie. Il est également membre du Conseil d’Orientation Stratégique de l’IRD. Thierry Taboy is still active in the journal "Transversales Science & Culture". He was Head of the Market Intelligence Department of Sofrecom, and responsible for the project “Parthenay Digitized City”.

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Director of social and societal issues of the corporate social responsibility department of Orange group, Thierry Taboy leads the Digital Society Forum initiative on E-health. Member of the Strategic Orientation Council of the IRD, Thierry Taboy is still active in the journal "Transversales Science & Culture". He was Head of the Market Intelligence Department of Sofrecom, and responsible for the project “Parthenay Digitized City”.

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