

# Roundtable on licensing terms for affordable & sustainable access to diagnostics

Friday, 19 November 2021

13:00-16:00 CET / 7:00-10:00 am EST

The goal of this Roundtable is to generate recommendations for licensing terms for diagnostics. The Medicines Patent Pool (MPP) is part of the WHO-convened COVID-19 Technology Access Pool (C-TAP). Although the MPP has extensive experience with medicines, this is the first time the MPP is engaging with diagnostics. We hope the recommendations will help guide the MPP's work and strategy to support diagnostics access (including beyond COVID-19) through sharing of technical know-how and pooling of intellectual property. As a start, this consultation aims to solicit input from a broad range of actors on disease scope, target products and technologies, terms and conditions for in- and out-licensing, and considerations for engaging licensees, particularly manufacturers in LMICs.

## Roundtable Organizers

Fulcrum Project (a partnership of the O'Neill Institute for National and Global Health Law, the University of Pennsylvania School of Medicine, and the University of KwaZulu-Natal Centre for Civil Society).

## Questionnaire

Please complete this anonymous questionnaire: <https://forms.gle/ubMDRsu9zK1Uqerq9>

## Agenda

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13:00 CET  
(10 min)

### WELCOME

- **Introduction**, Sharonann Lynch, O'Neill Institute
- **Goals**, Jen Cohn, University of Pennsylvania
- **Agenda**, Vuyiseka Dubula, University of KwaZulu-Natal

13:10 CET  
(45 min)

### Session 1: OVERVIEW (Ngozi Erundu, Moderator)

- **MPP's current and future work on diagnostics**, Esteban Burrone, MPP
- **Diagnostics technology pipeline**, Angelique Corthals, MSF/CUNY
- **Key issues for COVID-19 diagnostics**, Emma Hannay, FIND
- **Development and marketing diagnostics**, Teri Roberts, EGPAF

Q&A

13:55 CET

Break (5 mins)

14:00 CET  
(60 min)

### Session 2: LICENSING TERMS (Spring Gombe, Moderator)

- **Survey responses**, Jen Cohn (5 mins)

- **Break out groups** (3 groups, 30 mins)
- **Summaries, rapporteurs** (5 mins)
  - Spring Gombe, UNDP
  - Stijn Deborggraeve, MSF
  - Teri Roberts, EGPAF
- **Discussion** (10 mins)

15:00 CET  
(45 min)

**Session 3: LICENSEES & AFFORDABILITY** (Vuyiseka Dubula, Moderator)

- **Survey responses**, Sharonann Lynch (5 min)
- **Breakout 3 groups** (30 mins)
- **Summaries from rapporteurs** (5 mins)
  - Spring Gombe, UNDP
  - Stijn Deborggraeve, MSF
  - Teri Roberts, EGPAF
- Clarification questions

15:55 CET  
(5 min)

**Summary, next steps, and close** (Sharonann, Jen, Vuyiseka)

### **Participants (list in formation)**

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