



Invitation

EU-INDIA WEBINAR SERIES

Online Round-Table Discussion on

European Union action on research and innovation to combat COVID-19

Wednesday, 29 April 2020, 4.00 PM to 5.15 PM IST (12.30-13.45pm CET)

Dear Madam/ Sir,

Greetings from the Delegation of the European Union to India !

The EU Delegation to India invites you to join us for an online round-table discussion on the actions taken by the **European Union on research and innovation to combat COVID-19**. This initiative is part of the **EU-India Webinar Series** being launched to discuss current issues of significance to the EU and India in this global crisis following the COVID-19 pandemic.

This online roundtable with representatives of research and innovation policy in Europe and India will be held on Wednesday, 29 April 2020 from 4.00 PM to 5.15 PM IST (12.30-13.45pm CET) via the following webinar link:

<https://eeas.webex.com/eeas/j.php?MTID=m2eab4d7f2f38dc11e09fbb00ad5bf955>

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The discussion will be moderated by Ms Tania Friederichs, Head of Section, Research and Innovation, at the Delegation of the European Union to India, New Delhi, and will cover issues such as:

- What is the EU doing on research to combat the COVID-19 pandemic
- Promoting Open access of research publications
- What EU Member States are doing on research with examples from Denmark and Spain
- Latest update from the EU-India Innovation Partnership

The Round Table will feature the following speakers:

- **Dr Rosanna D'AMARIO**
Senior Expert, Health Directorate, DG Research and Innovation, European Commission, Brussels, Belgium
- **Mr Michael ARENTOFT**
Senior Policy officer, Open Science, DG Research and Innovation, European Commission, Brussels, Belgium
- **Mr Adrian GUTIERREZ**
Counsellor for Science and Technology – Embassy of Spain & Chief Representative of CDTI – India, South & Southeast Asia (Ministry of Science and Innovation), New Delhi, India
- **Dr Jakob Williams ØRBERG**
Counsellor for Science, Innovation and Higher Education, Embassy of Denmark, New Delhi, India
- **Ms Leena Pise THOMAS**
Consultant, EU-India Innovation Partnership, Bangalore, India

RSVP: As the online slots are limited, please use the form below to register for the event as soon as possible:

<https://forms.gle/iTeYQuZYpZy5JZcx7>

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We look forward to your participation.

Thank you.

Warm regards,

EU Policy and Outreach Partnership in India project team

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- 3.55 pm IST: Webinar link is opened. Participants can log in.
- 4.00 – 4.05 pm: Welcome statement and introduction of panellists by the Moderator, **Ms Tania FRIEDERICHS**, R&I Counsellor, EU Delegation, New Delhi
- 4.05 – 4.15 pm: **Dr Rosanna D'AMARIO**
Senior Expert, Health Directorate, DG Research and Innovation, European Commission, Brussels
Topic: ***EU health research and innovations to combat COVID-19: European and global responses***
- 4.15 – 4.25 pm: **Mr Michael ARENTOFT**
Senior Policy Officer, Open Science, DG Research and Innovation, European Commission, Brussels
Topic: ***How 'Open Science' enables us to fight the pandemic.***
- 4.25 – 4.35 pm: **Mr Adrian GUTIERREZ**
Counsellor for Science and Technology – Embassy of Spain & Chief Representative of CDTI – India, South & Southeast Asia (Ministry of Science and Innovation). Topic: ***India & Spain Partnership: Leveraging on Open Innovation for common front on COVID-19***
- 4.35 – 4.45 pm: **Dr Jakob Williams ØRBERG**
Counsellor for Science, Innovation and Higher Education, Embassy of Denmark, New Delhi. Topic: ***Building resilience through R&D partnership in two crises: The Covid-19 emergency and its economic and social fallout.***
- 4.45 – 4.55 pm: **Ms Leena Pisha THOMAS**
Consultant, EU-India Innovation Partnership, Bangalore.
Topic: ***How can we leverage EU-India partnership on innovation in this global COVID-19 crisis?***
- 4.55 – 5.10 pm: Moderated Q& A with the participants
- 5.10 – 5.15 pm: Vote of Thanks and concluding remarks by **Ms. Tania Friederichs**