



Centre  
Virchow-Villermé

# Global Health Conference

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9:00 - 16:00h

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## Putting Outbreaks into perspectives

Public Health impact of outbreaks of communicable diseases for France and Germany

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As transborder mobility of humans, animals, food, and feed products increases, the threat of spreading dangerous pathogens and infectious diseases increases as well. Today, whether carried by an unaware traveler or an opportunistic vector, human pathogens can rapidly arrive anywhere in the world. However, these outbreaks and their consequences for countries such as Germany and France should be put into perspective: Although outbreaks of infectious diseases are very often associated with “ebola” or “zika”, viruses causing measles, influenza, acute gastroenteritis or tick borne encephalitis may have much greater Public Health impact for our living environment in France and Germany.

This conference, co-organized by the Robert Koch Institute, unites experts, political decision makers, journalists, students and interested publics to better understand the consequences of globalization on Public Health through a transdisciplinary Franco-German approach. It is the sixth conference in a series of workshops and conferences on Global Health issues organized by the Centre Virchow-Villermé for Public Health Paris-Berlin since 2014.

The conference is moderated by Derrick Williams, Deutsche Welle Science & Healthcare Correspondent.

The conference language is English.

For more information:

<http://virchowvillermé.eu/expertise/workshops/>

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## Practical details **Venue**

Französische Botschaft  
Wilhelmstr. 69  
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## Agenda

<b>9:00 – 9:30</b>	<b>Registration and Coffee</b>	
<b>9:30 – 9:45</b>	Welcome address	S.E. Philippe Etienne, Ambassador of France Prof. Dr. Elke Schäffner, Centre Virchow-Villermé
<b>9:45 – 10:10</b>	Outbreak control on the local level	Dr. Udo Götsch, Health Department Frankfurt/Main
<b>10:10 – 10:35</b>	National response activities	Dr. Andreas Gilsdorf, Robert Koch Institute
<b>10:35 – 11:00</b>	Global response activities	Dr. Maria van Kerkhove, Institut Pasteur
<b>11:00 – 11:30</b>	<b>Coffee Break</b>	
<b>11:30 – 12:00</b>	Global connectivity and emergent infectious diseases: a complex network perspective	Prof. Dr. Dirk Brockmann, Robert Koch Institute
<b>12:00 – 12:45</b>	<b>Panel-Discussion</b> Severeness of outbreaks - a question of perspectives	Speakers from the sessions and others
<b>12:45 – 13:45</b>	<b>Lunch</b>	
<b>13:45 – 14:05</b>	<b>The political perspective:</b> Why should we care about outbreaks in remote areas?	Prof. Antoine Flahault, Centre Virchow-Villermé and University of Geneva Prof. Patrick Zylberman, Centre Virchow-Villermé and EHESP
<b>14:05 – 14:25</b>	<b>The perspective of the non-for-profitsector:</b> How to match individual engagement with global needs?	Dr. Maximilian Gertler, Institute of Tropical Medicine and International Health, Charité and Doctors without Borders
<b>14:25 – 14:45</b>	<b>The perspective of the pharmaceutical industry:</b> What are the strategies and challenges of vaccine development and provision?	Andrea Rappagliosi, President of Vaccines Europe, Head of Public Affairs Europe, Sanofi
<b>14:45 – 15:05</b>	<b>The perspective of the individual:</b> Which message is being heard?	Judith Mueller, Ecole des Hautes Etudes en Santé Publique (EHESP) and Institut Pasteur
<b>15:05 – 15:50</b>	<b>Panel-Discussion</b> What shapes personal risk perception and behavior and how to deal with it?	Speakers from the sessions and others
<b>15:50 – 16:00</b>	Conclusion	Prof. Dr. Dr. Tobias Kurth, Centre Virchow-Villermé

The Centre Virchow-Villermé for Public Health Paris-Berlin was initiated by the Franco-German Council of Ministers and co-established on 15 April 2013 by the University of Sorbonne Paris Cité and the Charité - Universitätsmedizin Berlin on the occasion of the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Elysée Treaty.

The mission of the French-German initiative is to jointly develop and promote innovative education and to offer a bi-national platform for linking research with policy in Global Public Health.

The objectives of the Centre are to foster faculty and students' mobility between France and Germany, to organize French-German dialogue in Global Public Health, to contribute to research activities in different areas of Global Public Health, to play a leading role in innovative education in Global Public Health and to promote open access to education and research.

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