

## PROGRAMME

# FIRST CONSULTATIVE FORM ON THE MRNA VACCINE TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER HUB

9 December 2021  
14.00-16.00  
South Africa Time

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## **Strengthening Africa's vaccine manufacturing capacity through the South African mRNA technology transfer hub**

- 14:00 Short videos on the Hub and the Department of Science and Innovation (DSI)
- 14.06 Welcome and introduction by Mr Daan du Toit, Deputy Director-General of Science and Innovation
- 14.10 Remarks by Dr Sandile Buthelezi, Director-General for the Department of Health
- 14.20 Remarks by Mr Buti Manamela, Deputy Minister of Higher Education, Science and Innovation
- 14.30 Presentation by Dr Martin Friede on the Technology Transfer Hub by the World Health Organization (WHO)
- 14:45 Panel discussion, moderated by Mr Daan du Toit, with panellists –
- Dr Mmboneni Muofhe, Deputy Director-General: Technology Innovation, DSI
  - Dr Martin Friede, Coordinator of the World Health Organization Initiative for Vaccine Research
  - Dr Charles Gore Executive Director: Medicines Patent Pool
  - Dr. Nicaise Ndembi, Chief Science Advisor at Science Office-Africa CDC
  - Dr Boitumelo Semete-Makokotlela, CEO of the South African Health Products Authority
  - Prof. Petro Terblanche, Managing Director of Afrigen
  - Dr Alex Sigal, Research Group Leader, Max Planck Institute for Infection Biology, seconded to Africa Health Research Institute
  - Dr Morena Makhoana, CEO of Biovac
  - Dr Glenda Gray, President and CEO of the South African Medical Research Council
- 15:30 Questions and Answers from the floor
- 15.55 Thanks and closure by Mr Daan du Toit
- 16:00 End of meeting

