

On behalf of DRIVE project (Development of Robust and Innovative Vaccine Effectiveness), we would like to invite you to the DRIVE Annual Forum 2020, which will be hosted online on the 22nd and 24th September 2020.

In order to participate in the webinar please register via the following link: https://www.iabs.org/iabs-eu-driveproject-annual-meeting

The event will be split in two sessions (please find the agenda attached in the present email):

The first session, entitled "Brand-specific influenza vaccine effectiveness and COVID-19 impact: how to be better prepared for the 2020/21 season" will be held on Tuesday 22nd September (from 3 to 5:30 pm CET). In this session:

- DRIVE influenza vaccine effectiveness results for the 2019/2020 season will be presented
- DRIVE Study sites will share their experience with COVID-19 pandemic
- -This session will also include an external talk by (10)(2e) (ECDC) about the ECDC management of COVID-19 surveillance in the EU: impact on influenza surveillance.

The second session, entitled "Building on existing influenza infrastructure to monitor and evaluate future COVID-19 vaccines" will be held on Thursday 24th September (from 3 to 5:15 pm CET). This session will focus on DRIVE sustainability in the COVID-19 era and will include external talks from:

- (European Medicines Agency)
- ACCESS project (vACcine Covid-19 monitoring readinESS) and VAC4EU network)
- (U.S Food and Drug Administration)

DRIVE Annual Forum is a unique opportunity to engage with DRIVE associate partners, research collaborators and external stakeholders. DRIVE consortium is currently formed by 15 members and its research network involves 10 different European countries. It is also envisaged that representatives from European Centre for Disease Prevention and Control (ECDC), National Public Health Institutes (NPHIs), European Medicines Agency (EMA) and Innovative Medicines Initiative (IMI) will be present.

For more information, please visit: https://www.drive-eu.org/

Kind regards. DRIVE Coordination Team

