Eleventh EDCTP Forum
Information brochure
The Eleventh EDCTP Forum is hosted by the Ministry of Higher Education and Research of France and ANRS | Emerging Infectious Diseases, and is organised and supported by the second EDCTP programme (EDCTP2) and the Global Health EDCTP3 Joint Undertaking.
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The EDCTP Forum is a biennial event that provides an international platform for the presentation and discussion of cutting-edge research addressing the burden of poverty-related and neglected infectious diseases in sub-Saharan Africa and the capacity development and networking activities that support this goal.

The EDCTP Forum attracts diverse stakeholders including representatives from research institutions and universities, the larger scientific community, health care providers, governments, regional bodies, regulators, civil society, and public and private research and development partners.

The multidisciplinary nature of the Forum attracts over 600 representatives from different regions and research fields, providing an excellent opportunity for networking. You will be able to share experiences, highlight key activities of your institution, organisation, or company, and promote new initiatives to a select audience while contributing to EDCTP’s mission and conference goals.

Eleventh EDCTP Forum and 20th anniversary of EDCTP

The Eleventh EDCTP Forum will take place in Paris, France, at the Palais des Congrès de Paris from 7-10 November 2023. The Forum theme is “Partnering for Global Health Research Innovation and Impact in Africa – Celebrating EDCTP: two decades and beyond”. This Forum marks the 20th Anniversary of EDCTP’s establishment.

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The Eleventh Forum is a hybrid event and expected to have mainly in-person participation. Additionally, the Forum sessions taking place in Paris will be accessible virtually via our online conferencing platform.

EDCTP Prizes 2023

At the Eleventh EDCTP Forum, EDCTP will award four international prizes dedicated to the promotion of scientific research, improved health and Africa-European collaboration:

- **Scientific Leadership**: Awarded to excellent world-class scientists in Africa up to 50 years of age working on HIV/AIDS, tuberculosis, malaria and neglected infectious diseases in the scope of the second EDCTP programme. It consists of a recognition trophy and a cash prize of €10,000.

- **Outstanding Female Scientist**: Awarded to excellent world-class female scientists in sub-Saharan Africa and working in the scope of the second EDCTP programme. It consists of a recognition trophy and a cash prize of €20,000.

- **Outstanding Research Team**: Awarded to outstanding research teams in Africa and Europe working on HIV/AIDS, tuberculosis, malaria and neglected infectious diseases in the scope of the second EDCTP programme. It consists of a recognition trophy and a cash prize of €50,000.

- **Dr Pascoal Mocumbi Prize**: This prize is in special recognition of the significant contribution made by Dr Pascoal Mocumbi, the first High Representative of the EDCTP. It is to be awarded to senior scientists, policy-makers or advocates for health and research. It consists of a recognition trophy and a cash prize of €50,000.

The EDCTP prizes recognise outstanding individuals and research teams from Africa and Europe who have made significant contributions to health research. In addition to their scientific excellence, the awardees will have made major contributions to the EDCTP objectives of strengthening clinical research capacity in Africa and supporting South-South and North-South networking.

For more information about the EDCTP Prizes, please visit [www.edctpforum.org](http://www.edctpforum.org).
Forum programme

The programme of this year’s Forum comprises a wide range of topics of clinical research covering poverty-related and neglected infectious diseases, within the scope of the EDCTP programme. The Forum plenary sessions will feature invited speakers who are leaders in their respective areas of research. The parallel sessions will consist of abstract-driven oral and poster presentations. A number of these oral and poster presenters will be early career investigators and scientists working in the field of EDCTP, who will receive support to participate in the Forum through our scholarship programme.

The ‘Meet the experts’ session will give young researchers the possibility to attend group meetings with leading experts in the field of poverty-related and neglected infectious diseases. The sessions will offer an opportunity for informal discussions, and will allow young researchers to present their questions and gain knowledge.

Scientific symposia will be organised by groups of researchers or organisations on a variety of topics related to the Forum theme, promoting interactive discussions and exchange of views with Forum delegates.

Forum delegates will also have the opportunity to participate in workshop sessions for training and development targeted at junior researchers, EDCTP grant holders and fellows.

More information about the calls for abstracts, scientific symposia and scholarship opportunities is available on the Eleventh EDCTP Forum website (www.edctpforum.org).
## Programme at a glance

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Please check [www.edctpforum.org](http://www.edctpforum.org) for updates on the Forum programme.
Registration and Forum venue

Registration

All registrations for the Eleventh EDCTP Forum must be submitted using the online registration form available at www.edctpforum.org.

In-person plus virtual delegate registration includes:
• In-person and online access to all sessions, including the opening ceremony, plenary, parallel and symposium sessions, as well as sponsored satellite meetings and workshops
• In-person and online access to the exhibitors and poster presentations area
• Meals as indicated in the Forum programme
• Access to Forum social events as indicated in the Forum programme
• One Forum bag
• Certificate of attendance (digital format) provided post-Forum.

Virtual delegate registration includes:
• Online access to all sessions, including the opening ceremony, plenary, parallel and symposium sessions, as well as sponsored satellite meetings and workshops
• Online access to the virtual exhibitors and poster presentations area
• Certificate of attendance (digital format) provided post-Forum.

All delegates are responsible for making their own travel, accommodation, visa and insurance arrangements and covering the costs thereof (with the exception of invited delegates sponsored by EDCTP and awarded scholarship applicants).

Forum venue

Palais des Congrès de Paris
2 Pl. de la Prte Maillot, 75017 Paris, France
Website

The Palais des Congrès de Paris is a concert venue, convention centre, newly renovated multiplex cinema and shopping mall at the Porte Maillot in the 17th arrondissement of Paris. The venue was built by French architect Guillaume Gillet and was inaugurated in 1974. An extension was carried out between 1997 and 1999. With its 32,000 m2, the convention centre has since 1999 four amphitheatres spread over four floors.
Sponsorship opportunities

The Eleventh EDCTP Forum will gather up to 600 representatives from different regions and research fields in person and more to join virtually. This provides an excellent opportunity for networking and to highlight and promote key activities of your institution, organisation or company to a focused audience while contributing to EDCTP’s mission and conference goals.

The Forum presents a unique opportunity to establish and reinforce cooperation and synergy among EDCTP stakeholders, share experiences, and gather ideas that will contribute to and inform future research and development.

Overview Tenth EDCTP Forum (2021)

1425 participants attended the Forum (1340 online attendance, 85 on-site attendance)

75 countries represented

270 abstract-based presentations

There are many ways EDCTP partners can be involved at this year’s Forum. One of them is through our sponsorship opportunities, which profile and raise the visibility of organisations working in the same field as EDCTP.
Individual sponsorship items can be purchased as follows:

**Sponsored satellite session**

€5,000

The sponsored satellite sessions of 60 minutes enable organisations from different regions to present their latest work towards advancing the science, policy, and community response, providing unique opportunities to learn and engage with distinguished researchers and stakeholders working on infectious diseases. The format allows partner organisations to present an overview of a topic, including time for questions, discussion, and exchange of views with Forum delegates. We welcome sessions on a wide range of topics in the EDCTP remit, with relevance to the Forum theme. An application form is available on request and must be submitted to sponsor@edctp.org by 31 May 2023. The Forum Programme Committee will review the proposed contents and speakers of the satellite sessions to ensure that they meet the scientific and ethical principles of the conference.

To minimise overlap of activities, up to five satellite sessions are available. They will take place in the conference centre with standard conference set up (chairs, stage, podium and audio-visual equipment) but are fully organised and coordinated by the organisation hosting the satellite. The allocation of satellite sessions is at the discretion of the Forum Programme Committee, based on the overall conference programme. Satellite sessions are provisionally scheduled to take place at 08:00-09:00 CET on Wednesday to Friday, 8-10 November, and at 17:00-18:00 CET on Wednesday, 8 November. These dates and times may be subject to change.

This sponsorship item includes:
- In-person sponsored session of 60 minutes duration for up to 120 delegates, (the Forum Programme Committee may also select individual sessions for inclusion in the hybrid programme)
- Acknowledgement and logo included on the Forum website, virtual platform, the Forum app and displayed at the Forum venue.

**Scholarships for African researchers**

€4,000

Support an early or mid-career investigator with a scholarship to attend the Forum to present his/her research findings and to network with other delegates. Selected recipients will be the primary authors of highly-ranked abstracts who have been accepted to present oral or e-poster presentations. Each researcher will receive a return airfare, accommodation, full conference registration, per diems for the duration of the Forum and assistance with visa applications and travel insurance.

This sponsorship item includes:
- Acknowledgement and logo included on the Forum website, virtual platform, the Forum app and displayed at the Forum venue.
Exhibitor stand
€2,000 (reduced rate of €1,500 for non-profit organisations)
Exhibitors have maximum exposure to Forum delegates. Attendees congregate in the exhibition area for refreshment breaks and poster viewings, which provide ample networking opportunities. Exhibitors will be allocated a space on a first-come-first-serve basis.

This sponsorship item includes:
• One 6m² exhibitor stand with back wall panels, three spotlights, one table, two chairs, one triple power socket (220V) and wireless internet
• A virtual exhibition booth where resources can be displayed (e.g., publications or videos) and meetings can be arranged
• Acknowledgement and logo included on the Forum website, virtual platform, the Forum app and displayed at the Forum venue
• Free registration for one individual.

Forum app banner
€1,000–€2,500
The Forum app helps participants navigate the event, access abstracts (oral and poster) and symposia, contact participants and plan their agendas. The app provides highly visible opportunities for outreach. The content for the banner and the sources it links to must be relevant to the Forum and approved by the organisers. The sponsor is responsible for production and timely delivery of the banner to the organisers.

Forum app logo and/or banner per day: €1,000 (one day between 7-10 November)
Forum app logo and/or banner all days: €2,500 (7-10 November)

This package also includes:
• Acknowledgement and logo included on the Forum website, virtual platform, the Forum app and displayed at the Forum venue
• Free registration for one individual
Alternatively, sponsorship packages are available as follows:

**Gold level sponsorship package**

€ 15,000
- Three scholarships for African researchers to attend the Forum
- Exhibitor stand
- Forum app/e-poster logo for all days of the Forum
- Coffee break sponsorship for all days of the Forum, with company logo displayed at coffee tables
- Acknowledgement and logo included on the Forum website, virtual platform, the Forum app and displayed at the Forum venue
- Free registration for three individuals

**Silver level sponsorship package**

€ 10,000
- Two scholarships for African researchers to attend the Forum
- Exhibitor stand
- Forum app/e-poster logo for two days of the Forum
- Coffee break sponsorship for two days of the Forum, with company logo displayed at coffee tables
- Acknowledgement and logo included on the Forum website, virtual platform, the Forum app and displayed at the Forum venue
- Free registration for two individuals

**Bronze level sponsorship package**

€ 7,500
- One scholarship for an African researcher to attend the Forum
- Exhibitor stand
- Forum app/e-poster logo for one day of the Forum
- Coffee break sponsorship for one day of the Forum, with company logo displayed at coffee tables
- Acknowledgement and logo included on the Forum website, virtual platform, the Forum app and displayed at the Forum venue
- Free registration for two individuals
Sponsorship packages at a glance

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Note: Customised sponsorship items/packages can also be arranged. Please contact us at sponsor@edctp.org for more information on sponsorship opportunities at the Eleventh EDCTP Forum.

Recognition and promotion of sponsors

Sponsors of the Eleventh EDCTP Forum will be acknowledged and promoted in the lead up to the Forum, during the Forum and afterwards. Aside from acknowledgement methods specific to individual sponsorship items or packages mentioned above, promotion will be through the following channels:

- Via social media outlets
- Via EDCTP’s monthly e-newsletter (EDCTP Update)
- Through the Forum blog and daily digest to attendees
- Through the Sponsors page on the EDCTP Forum website
- Following the Forum, via a dedicated email to all attendees sharing the Forum proceedings, slides and photos
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