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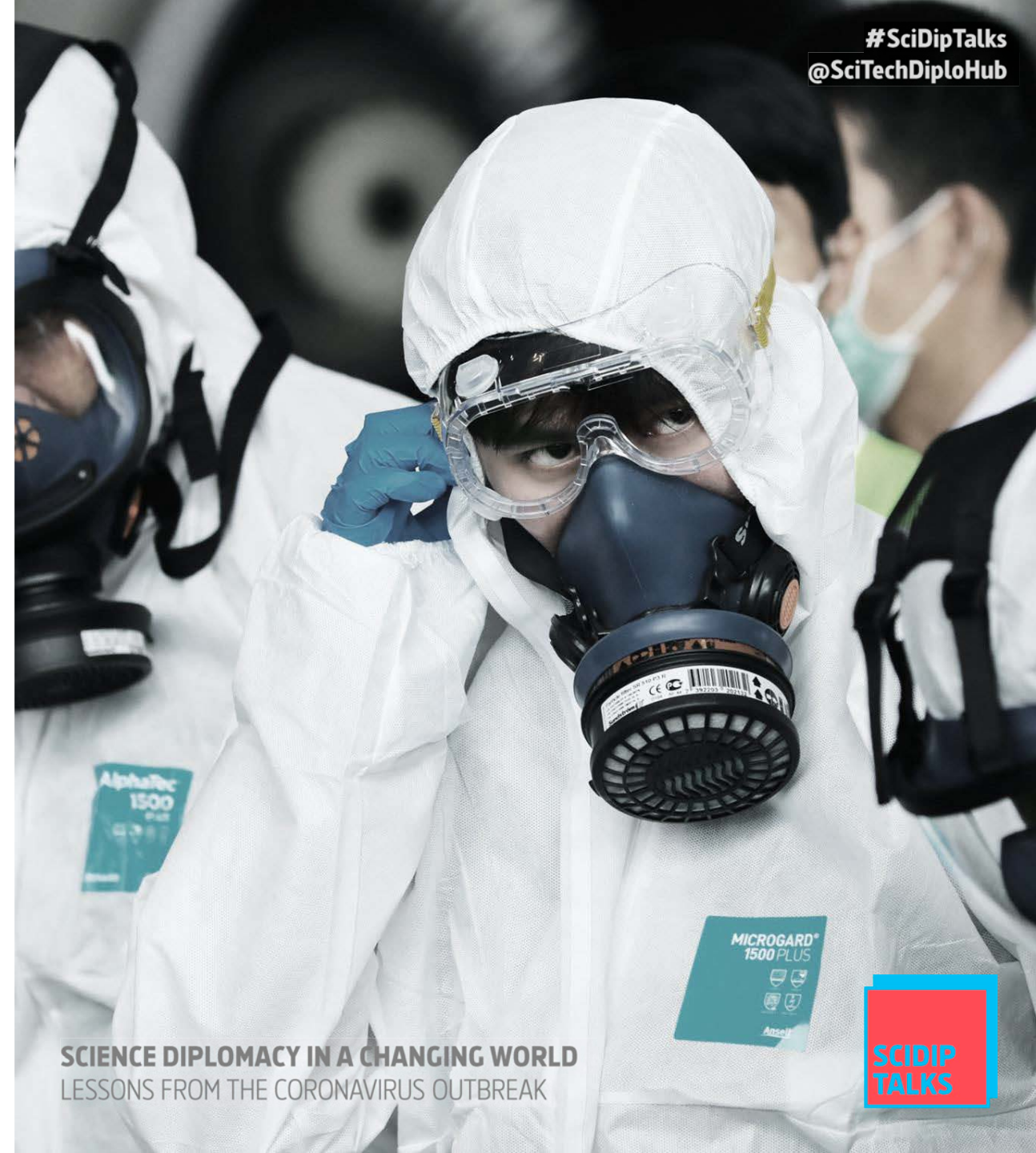
We live in unprecedented times. The COVID-19 crisis is hitting our societies, economies and ways of life on a scope and scale never seen before. Similarly, we find ourselves in a moment in time when **bridging scientific knowledge and diplomatic practice through science diplomacy is more important than ever.**

With millions of people scaling up their efforts to help mitigate the virus by confining themselves at home, we have the responsibility to bring together scientists, international relations practitioners and global health experts to discuss science diplomacy and pandemics. **It is now time to open up and bring in-depth analysis and expertise to the public debate.**

To this aim, **SciTech DiploHub** has partnered with other organizations to put **forward 5 online sessions with leading world experts** that will explore the role of international cooperation in the current crisis; the European response to COVID-19; the impact of cities, and particularly Barcelona, in global mitigation efforts; the responses to pandemics in Iberoamerica and the threats and opportunities of new technologies.

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SESSION 1

SCIENCE DIPLOMACY AND PANDEMICS: A CALL FOR GREATER INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION

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This session aims to explore the role of international cooperation in global health crisis management, while specifically addressing the importance of science diplomacy in pandemics. Looking closely into the cases of Ebola, H1N1 influenza, MERS and the current SARS-CoV-2, it will cover the links between research, health policy and international relations, as well as its socio-economic and ethical dimensions. It will also analyze policy decision-making in the context of complex, multilevel governance and make the case for the role of scientific knowledge in solving traditional collective action dilemmas.

TENTATIVE SPEAKERS LIST

- **Julia MacKenzie**. Senior Director for International Affairs at the American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS).
- **Ilona Kickbusch**. Chair of the Global Health Centre at the Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies in Geneva.
- **Antoni Plasència**. Director General of the Barcelona Institute for Global Health (ISGlobal).
- **Lorenzo Melchor**. Science Diplomacy Officer at S4D4C and EU science advice and diplomacy officer in the Spanish Foundation for Science and Technology (FECYT).
- **Moderator: Alexis Roig**. CEO of SciTech DiploHub

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SESSION 2

THE COVID-19 CRISIS IN EUROPE: A FAILURE OF SCIENCE DIPLOMACY?

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Europe has been defined as the epicenter of the new coronavirus (SARS-CoV-2 / COVID-19) global crisis. The spread of the virus in the continent has led to the re-emergence of the nation state in Europe, challenging the very core values of the EU and reshaping citizens' perception of the latter. This session aims to analyze the main differences between member states' responses to the pandemic and scrutinize the role of the EU in coordinating national efforts and advancing virus mitigation. It will finally reflect on the internal challenges the virus has brought to light, and the long-term impact on the European integration process.

TENTATIVE SPEAKERS LIST

- **Pol Morillas**. Director of the Barcelona Centre for International Affairs (CIDOB).
- **Ivo Šlosarčík**. Professor of European Integration Studies and Jean Monnet Chair in EU Politics and Administration at Charles University in Prague and Research fellow at S4D4C.
- **Amanda Glassman**. Executive vice president and senior fellow at the Center for Global Development.
- **Sara Cebrian**. Science and Innovation Attaché of the British Embassy in Madrid.

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BARCELONA AND THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC: THE ROLE OF GLOBAL CITIES

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Since the crisis started in Wuhan, global cities have been hit the hardest. The spread of the virus around the world has forced governments to cooperate, both horizontally and vertically. Why is science diplomacy key to addressing global health crises? How can local institutions deploy a diplomatic strategy to deal with them? Cities like Barcelona have a world-class research and innovation ecosystem. What is the global contribution of their research groups and companies to the COVID-19 pandemic?

TENTATIVE SPEAKERS LIST

- **Oriol Mitjà.** Associate Professor at Research Institute Germans Trias i Pujol and Associate researcher at the Barcelona Institute for Global Health (ISGlobal).
- **Alfonso Valencia.** Director of the Life Sciences Department at the Barcelona Supercomputing Centre (BSC-CNS).
- **Laura Lechuga.** Leader of the Nanobiosensors and Bioanalytical Applications Group at the Catalan Institute of Nanoscience and Nanotechnology (ICN2).
- **Esteve Almirall.** Director of the Center for Innovation in Cities - ESADE.
- **Laia Bonet.** Deputy Mayor for Agenda 2030 and Digital Transition at Barcelona City Council.
- **Moderator: Miquel Molina.** Deputy Director at La Vanguardia

SESSION 4

DIPLOMACIA CIENTÍFICA CONTRA LA PANDEMIA: IBEROAMÉRICA ANTE LA CRISIS DEL COVID-19

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Esta sesión abordará la respuesta de los diferentes gobiernos iberoamericanos a la crisis del COVID-19 desde el punto de vista de la política y la diplomacia científicas. Analizaremos la relación entre la investigación médica y el diseño de políticas públicas en el contexto iberoamericano y su impacto en las decisiones de los diferentes actores gubernamentales, así como el papel de la diplomacia científica y la cooperación regional en la gestión de la crisis.

TENTATIVE SPEAKERS LIST

- **María Elena Álvarez-Buylla.** Directora General del Consejo Nacional de Ciencia y Tecnología de México (CONACYT).
- **Félix García Lausín.** Coordinador del Espacio Iberoamericano del Conocimiento en la Secretaría General Iberoamericana (SEGIB).
- **Eugenia Corrales.** Catedrática de Virología en el Centro de Investigación en Enfermedades Tropicales (CIET) en la Universidad de Costa Rica
- **Frances Colón.** Leadership in Government Fellow en la Open Society Foundation y exasesora en Ciencia y Tecnología de la Secretaría de Estado de EEUU.
- **Analia Stasi.** Consejera de Administración del Hospital Nacional de Pediatría Dr. Juan Pedro Garrahan, Argentina.

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SESSION 5

TECHNOLOGY AT THE SERVICE OF GLOBAL HEALTH CRISIS: THREATS AND OPPORTUNITIES

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Technology and data-driven solutions have been at the forefront of successful national responses to the current COVID-19 crisis. Furthermore, social media platforms have been instrumental in informing, and sometimes misinforming, the general public about the pandemic. This session will address the role of technology in advancing global health, with in-depth discussions about the potential impact of digital strategies on data privacy and human rights. It will also reflect upon the role technology plays during health crises, and the responsibility of digital platforms.

TENTATIVE SPEAKERS LIST

- **Kathleen Carley.** Professor in the School of Computer Science at the Institute for Software Research International at Carnegie Mellon University.
- **Xavier Ferràs.** Associate Professor at ESADE Business School.
- **Katharina Höne.** Senior Researcher (diplomacy and new technology) at DiploFoundation.
- **Itziar de Lecuona.** Associate Professor at the School of Medicine and Assistant Director of the Bioethics and Law Observatory at University of Barcelona.
- **Elizabeth M. Renieris.** Fellow at the Berkman Klein Center for Internet & Society at Harvard University.
- **Moderator: Esther Paniagua.** Science and Tech Journalist

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ABOUT SCITECH DIPLOHUB

SciTech DiploHub, the Barcelona Science and Technology Diplomacy Hub, is a pioneering non-profit public-private partnership backed by leading research centers, universities, non-profits, start-ups, corporations and public institutions that positions Barcelona as a global lab in science diplomacy for cities around the world. It has the mandate to elevate the role of science, technology and cities in foreign policy and make Barcelona a more influential player on the global stage through its contribution to the global challenges. More information: www.scitechdiplohub.org

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SciTech DiploHub offers top-notch capacity building in science and technology diplomacy. Together with IBEI, a leading academic and research institution on global affairs from Barcelona, it organizes the Science and Technology Diplomacy Summer School, a first-of-its-kind training in a will to train the next cohort of leaders in science diplomacy: a field that is increasingly essential to tackle humanity's global challenges.

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