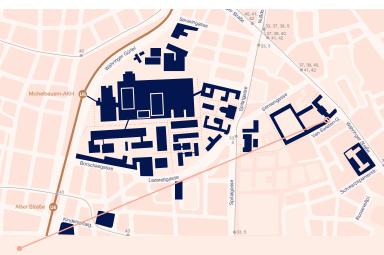
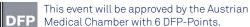
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# European Immunization Week 2019 Vaccination: Social Responsibility or Mandatory Obligation?

Austria in an European Comparison: Expert experience reporting and panel discussion

# Wednesday, 24<sup>th</sup> April 2019, 11.30 am – 6.30 pm Van Swieten Saal, Medical University of Vienna Van-Swieten-Gasse 1a, 1090 Vienna

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# European Immunization Week 2019

The WHO European Region marks European Immunization Week (EIW) to promote immunization as vital to preventing diseases and protecting life. This year, on 24–30 April 2019, the campaign aims to raise awareness of the benefits of vaccines and improve all efforts to sustain or increase immunization coverage. The Austrian Society of Vaccinology together with the Medical University of Vienna (MedUni Vienna) organizes an international symposium to discuss possible strategies to improve communication to conquer fake news and anti-vac campaigns, and raises the question if obligatory vaccination can or can't help to improve vaccine coverage.

# Programme

11.30 am – 12.00 pm **Registration and Welcome** Markus Müller, Rector of the MedUni Vienna Ursula Wiedermann-Schmidt, MedUni Vienna, President ÖgVak, Austria 12.00 – 1.30 pm **Session 1** Chair: Heidemarie Holzmann, MedUni Vienna, ÖgVak, Austria

Anti-Vac Landscape in Europe: pros and cons of mandatory vaccination Claude Muller, Luxembourg Institute of Health, Luxembourg

Improving immunization coverage: a WHO perspective Mark Muscat, WHO Regional Office for Europe

Germany's next steps towards better vaccination coverage Thomas Mertens, Ständige Impfkommission (STIKO), Germany

1.30 – 2.00 pm Buffet

## 2.00 – 3.00 pm Session 2

Chair: Faith Osier, President elect International Union of Immunological Societies (IUIS), Kenia

Mandatory vaccination in France: rationale and first results Daniel Levy-Bruhl, Santé publique, France

Mandatory vaccination in Italy: acceptance or source of opposition? Rita Carsetti, Bambino Gesù Ospedale Pediatrico, Italy

Vaccination Policies for Healthcare Personnel in Europe: Current Standards Helena Maltezou, Hellenic Centre for Disease Control and Prevention, Greece

3.00 – 3.30 pm Coffee Break 3.30 – 4.30 pm Session 3

Chair: Ursula Wiedermann-Schmidt, MedUni Vienna, ÖgVak, Austria

Implementation and Acceptance of the National Vaccination Program in Finland Hanna M. Nohynek, National Institute for Health and Welfare. Finland

### How is Austria doing in its fight against vaccine preventable diseases? From the perspective of the infectious disease epidemiologist

Daniela Schmid, Österreichische Agentur für Gesundheit und Ernährungssicherheit (AGES), Austria

### Immunization Information System – a future tool to increase vaccination rates in Austria

Maria Paulke-Korinek, Federal Ministry of Labour, Social Affairs, Health and Consumer Protection (BMASK), Austria

4.30 – 5.30 pm
General discussion:
"Findings, Conclusions and Solutions" – is there a European solution to enhance vaccination coverage rates?
(written document to be established)

5.30 – 6.30 pm Meet and mingle with wine and cheese