

Bridging the Gap: A Multidisciplinary Approach to Respiratory Infections and NCDs

WEBINAR

5 March 2026 12:00 – 13:30 (CET)

Kick-off meeting Interdisciplinary Disease Collaboration (IDC)

Our mission focuses on the bidirectional relationship between acute respiratory infections and non-communicable diseases (NCDs). Whether you are a researcher, policymaker, healthcare professional, or civil society representative, join our IDC Chairs, **Marco Goeijenbier**, **Tor Biering-Sørensen** and **Kirsty Short** and invited experts diving into:

- THE CATALYST EFFECT:
How even mild respiratory viruses can trigger the onset or exacerbation of chronic conditions.
- RISK MANAGEMENT:
Addressing why those with NCDs face higher risks of severe infection.
- SCIENCE TO POLICY:
Translating the latest data into evidence-based approaches for prevention, diagnostics, and treatment.

PROGRAMME

Welcome and introduction	Marco Goeijenbier Tor Biering-Sørensen Kirsty Short
IDC Vision and Mission	Marco Goeijenbier
EU Policy context	MEP Tomislav Sokol
The scientific context	<i>DAVINCI Consortium</i> Gulsah Gabriel
The voice of an NCD	<i>International Diabetes Federation Europe</i> João Filipe Raposo
The voice of a risk group	<i>The European Interdisciplinary Council on Ageing</i> Cornel Sieber
Open discussion	

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