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Banding Together: Partnerships for Biodefense

OBJECTIVE

Provide the Bipartisan Commission on Biodefense a better understanding of: (1) recent White House biodefense activities and the value the White House places on partnerships for biodefense; (2) the Congressional perspective on what partnerships are important for biodefense; and (3) how innovative partnerships between the federal government and industry, academia, and nongovernmental organizations contribute to technological defense against biological threats.

SCHEDULE

10:00 - 10:20 am **Opening Remarks**

10:20 - 11:05 am **Panel One: White House Perspective**

White House official will discuss recent efforts to refresh the National Biodefense Strategy and create a more comprehensive Implementation Plan for the Strategy, and the critical role partnerships play in defending the country against biological threats.

The Honorable Rajesh R. Panjabi

Special Assistant to the President and Senior Director for Global Health Security & Biodefense, National Security Council, The White House; former U.S. Global Malaria Coordinator, U.S. Agency for International Development; former CEO, Last Mile Health

11:05 - 11:50 pm **Panel Two: Innovative Partnerships with the National Institutes of Health**

Federal official will address innovative partnerships with the National Institutes of Health (NIH) and their contributions to biodefense.

Anthony S. Fauci, MD

Director, National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases, NIH, Department of Health and Human Services; Chief Medical Advisor to President Biden

11:50 am - 12:40 pm **Break for Lunch**

12:40 - 1:30 pm **Panel Three: Congressional Perspective**

A member of Congress will provide their views on public-private partnerships for biodefense.

Representative David Trone (D-MD)

Member, Committee on Appropriations, Committee on Veterans Affairs, and Joint Economic Committee, U.S. House of Representatives

1:30 - 1:50 pm **Panel Four: Blue Knight Companies**

Industry presentations describing work that benefited from the partnership between the Biomedical Advanced Research and Development Authority (BARDA) and Johnson & Johnson Innovation (JLABS) to support startup companies that anticipate and protect against biological threats.

Maria Croyle, RPh, PhD

Scientific Founder and Chief Scientific Officer, Jurata Thin Film

Brian Wiley

Senior Vice President of Corporate Development, ENA Respiratory

Bruce Batten, PhD

CEO, GRIP Molecular

1:50 - 2:35 pm Panel Five: Biomedical Advanced Research and Development Authority Partnership Innovations

Federal official and venture capitalist will address innovative partnership models supported by, and conducted with, BARDA, and their contributions to biodefense.

Sandeep Patel, PhD

Director, Division of Research, Innovation, and Ventures, BARDA, Administration for Strategic Preparedness and Response, Department of Health and Human Services

Labeeb Abboud, JD

Chairman and CEO, Global Health Investment Corporation

2:35 - 2:50 pm Break

2:50 - 3:50 pm Panel Six: Leveraging Partnerships Effectively

Federal official and private sector representatives will address lessons learned from partnerships with industry, academia, and between national labs, and requirements for productive and impactful partnerships to fight future biological threats.

The Honorable Ali Nouri

Assistant Secretary for Congressional and Intergovernmental Affairs, Department of Energy

Gilda Barabino, PhD

President, American Association for the Advancement of Science; President, Franklin W. Olin College of Engineering

Stu Solomon

President & CEO, Connected DMV

3:50 - 4:00 pm Closing Remarks

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