

# VACCINES AND PATENTS IN COVID TIMES: AN IMPOSSIBLE COEXISTENCE?

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The IMF, several international institutions and a number of governments have recently called for a “whatever it takes” approach to tackle the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic. There is a structural underproduction of vaccines worldwide, which magnifies the social and economic costs of the crisis. The current intellectual property rights regime may be an obstacle to the broadest possible production and diffusion of vaccines, particularly for poorer countries. In this workshop we will discuss the role of property rights in the field of vaccines from a scientific, legal and economic perspective.

## Speakers

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