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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, 24th April 2019, 11.30 am – 6.30 pm

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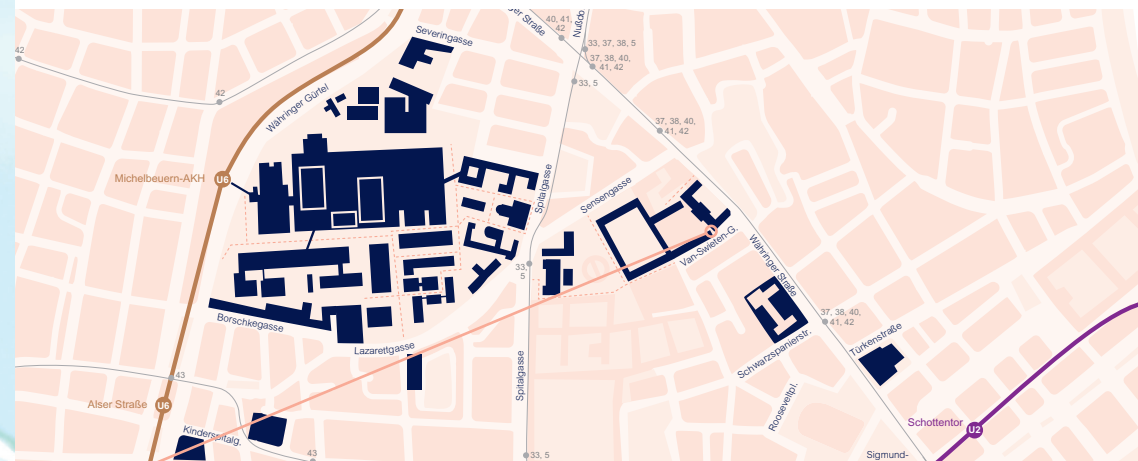
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European Immunization Week 2019

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), Kenya

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