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Message from the Interim CEPI CEO

Dear all. Yesterday CEPI reached a milestone when the interim CEPI board unanimously decided to offer the position of CEO of CEPI to Dr Richard Hatchett. This is among the most important steps CEPI has taken so far and I feel reassured that Richard will lead CEPI through its crucial next phase when we start implementation and investments. I will partly continue in the function as interim CEO until Richard will be in position, while at the same time from tomorrow (March 1st) start in my new role as Chief Executive of the Research Council of Norway. Frederik Kristensen is temporary deputy CEO of CEPI and will be in charge of daily business. We are both looking forward to welcoming Richard to the position as head of CEPI.

John-Arne Røttingen, Interim CEPI CEO

Dr Richard Hatchett offered position as permanent CEO of CEPI

The interim CEPI board decided at its meeting 27 February to offer the position of permanent CEO of CEPI to Dr Richard Hatchett. He comes to the position from the Biomedical Advanced Research & Development Authority (BARDA) at the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), where he was Deputy Director and Chief Medical Officer.

The press release can be found here:

[Media release](#)

Third CEPI interim Board Meeting

On 27 February the interim CEPI board meet in Oslo for its third Board meeting. The majority of Board members have attended the meeting in person. Additionally to offering the position of permanent CEO of CEPI to Richard Hatchett, the interim CEPI Board endorsed the policies on equitable access policy, shared risks/shared benefits policy and management of intellectual property and decided on fund holders arrangements.



Scientific Community Meeting

Over 200 participants attended CEPI's first scientific community meeting in Paris on 21 and 22 February, organized in collaboration with INSERM. High quality speakers combined with a highly motivated and interested participants made the conference a big success. We will be posting the presentations on the CEPI website shortly. One of the highlights was the address of the President of France, Francois Hollande, which can be seen here:

[Address of President Hollande](#)

Deadline preliminary proposals for the CfP

The submission deadline for proposals related to the first CEPI CfP on vaccine development against Lassa, MERS-CoV and Nipah viral diseases. Preliminary proposals need to be submitted to the Research Council of Norway online application system before 4pm CET on 8 March 2017. For more information, please visit the CEPI website.

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