



Republic of the Philippines

DEPARTMENT OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY



MEMORANDUM

FOR : ALL STATE UNIVERSITIES AND COLLEGES AND PRIVATE HIGHER EDUCATION INSTITUTIONS IN THE PHILIPPINES

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SUBJECT : Empowering R&I collaboration to respond to the socio-economic challenges of the coronavirus pandemic

DATE : 04 October 2021

The Office is pleased to inform you that the European Commission is hosting a virtual event titled **“Empowering R&I collaboration to respond to the socio-economic challenges of the coronavirus pandemic”** scheduled on **14 October 2021, 01:30 PM CEST (07:30 PM PST)**. The event aims to strengthen global collaboration in research and innovation and discuss the socio-economic challenges brought by the COVID-19 pandemic.

The panelists in the event are the following:

- Prof. David Levine – Academic Coordinator of the EUI COVID- data Portal, European University Institute (EUI)
- Global Research Collaboration for Infectious Disease Preparedness (GLOPID R): members of the social science working group. Marian Loveday, South Africa Medical Research Council (TBC)
- Steven J, Hoffman – Canadian Institutes of Health Research
- Tania Friederichs – Minister Counsellor at the Delegation of the European to India
- Gabi Lombardo – European alliance for social sciences and humanities
- Sonar-Global: Globalizing Social Sciences against infectious threats, Tamara Giles-Vernick

For further information, interested participants may visit the European Commission website at: <https://bit.ly/3BalaAJ>. May we kindly request interested participants to inform us of their registrations by sending an email to my staff Mr. Paolo Samoza at itcu.capbuilding@dost.gov.ph.

Thank you very much.