



**Welcome to the  
Inaugural  
International  
COVID-19 Data  
Alliance Forum**

Andrew Morris, Director,  
Health Data Research UK

**Thursday 19 November, 14:00-16:00 GMT**

**14:00 Introduction**

Andrew Morris, Health Data Research UK

**14:05 Welcome: The importance of  
international partnerships**

Agnes Binagwaho, University of Global Health  
Equity

**14:15 The necessity for international partnership  
and collaborative research: lessons learned from  
the RECOVERY trial**

Martin Landray, University of Oxford

**14:30 An update from the Alliance: Our  
journey so far**

Chair: Effy Vayena, Swiss Federal Institute of Technology

Steven Kern, Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation

Julia Levy, ICODA

Andrew Morris, Health Data Research UK

Neil Postlethwaite, ICODA

Aziz Sheikh, University of Edinburgh

**14:55 Introduction to breakout groups and Driver Projects**

Julia Levy, ICODA

**Breakout 1: Safety and efficacy of medicines  
(Driver Project)**

- Phil Ambery, AstraZeneca
- Jonas Haggstrom, Cytel
- Benjamin Kramer, Genentech
- Jaap Mandema, Certara
- Peter Mesenbrink, Novartis
- Nevine Zariffa, NMD Group

**Breakout 2: International perinatal outcomes  
in the pandemic (Driver Project)**

- Meghan Azad, University of Manitoba
- Merilee Brockway, University of Manitoba
- Livia Nagy, Patient representative
- Neil Postlethwaite, ICODA
- Natalie Rodriguez, University of Manitoba
- Aziz Sheikh University of Edinburgh

**Breakout 3: Understanding the global  
landscape of data initiatives**

- Nicola Perrin, ICODA
- Steven Kern, Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation
- Laura Merson, IDDO
- Marta Tufet, UKCDR
- Anne Wozencraft, ICODA

**Breakout 4: Public and patient engagement**

- Sinduja Manohar, HDR UK
- Andrew Morris, HDR UK
- Helen Parks, European Lung Foundation  
COVID Patient Advisory Group
- Bella Starling, Vocal
- Julia Levy, ICODA

**15:40 Launch of 2021 COVID-19 Driver Project  
Grand Challenges**

Martin Murphy, ICODA

Steven Kern, Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation

Andrew Morris CBE, Health Data Research UK