Jean Monnet Symposium: "EU Global? The EU and Global Health Governance"
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Idea of the workshop
The underlying idea of the workshop is to bring together both practitioners and academic scholars to discuss the collaboration of state and non-state actors, such as the European Union, but also from the civil society, within the system of global health governance. By focusing on one of the major global challenges in the field of public health, the (risk of the) pandemic spread of the infectious diseases malaria and influenza, discussions aim at identifying trends of collective, worldwide efforts as well as at revealing facilitators and obstacles to collaboration.

FOCUS 1
Global governance of infectious disease control: policies, actors, interests, challenges.
Starting from a set of theses on the nature of the current system of global health governance - one focusing on security interests, one on ethically founded development goals - the morning session will address the following questions:
1) How does today's system of global health governance (as opposed to purely international cooperation) function in the field of infectious disease control? Which patterns of collaboration can be identified between state- and non-state actors, i.e. NGOs, MNCs, Foundations, States and IOs?
2) Where and why do ideas and interests of these actors match or come into conflict?

FOCUS 2
The EU on the global health stage: contagious collaboration?
Building on the findings of the morning session, the afternoon roundtable will discuss in more detail the role of the European Union within the infectious disease governance system. Crucial questions to be discussed include:
1) How does the EU collaborate with its worldwide partners in general and how does it contribute to the global fight against malaria and influenza in particular?
2) Which influence does the global arena have on the EU's (external/internal) public health policy and vice versa? What are the channels of influence?

(Possible) Participants
Dr Bernard Merkel, European External Action Service, Food Safety, Health and Consumer Affairs
academic experts, e.g. Don Burke (UPMC Public Health), Amesh Adalja (UPMC Biosecurity), …
representative of philanthropic foundation, e.g. Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation
representative of NGO, e.g. Red Cross
representative of MNC / pharmaceutical company, e.g SaxoSmithKline
representative of CDC
representative of WHO
representative of World Bank or the 'Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Malaria, and TB'