

### THE THIRD ANNOUNCEMENT

#### The 2026 Scientific Conference on the occasion of the 135<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Pasteur Institute in Ho Chi Minh City

In response to pressing environmental and public health challenges, the Pasteur Institute Ho Chi Minh City (PIHCMC) is excited to announce the 2026 Scientific Conference, themed “*Research for Public Health: Adaptation and Innovation*”. This conference aims to create a collaborative platform for scientists, experts, and health professionals both domestically and internationally. PIHCMC has issued Announcement n°. 3437/TB-PAS dated 31 October 2025 and n° 451/TB-PAS dated 14 February 2026, and n° 949/TB-PAS dated 13 April 2026 regarding Scientific Conference on the occasion of the 135<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the establishment of the Pasteur Institute in Ho Chi Minh City.

The Conference will feature a plenary session, three to four thematic sessions, and satellite sessions, covering key topics including tropical, emerging and re-emerging diseases; HIV/STI, tuberculosis and hepatitis; vaccines and vaccine-preventable diseases; antimicrobial resistance and infection control; One Health; non-communicable diseases, nutrition, and food safety; occupational health, environment, and climate change; immunology, microbiology, and bioinformatics; and other public health-related issues.

Accepted abstracts that meet submission criteria will be published in the Proceedings of the 2026 PIHCMC’s Scientific Conference. Selected papers may be invited to submit full texts for peer review and potential inclusion in a special issue of a journal on preventive medicine dedicated to the Conference, subject to approval.

The Organizing Committee warmly invites scientists, health administrators, institutions, and individuals from Vietnam and around the world to participate and submit abstracts. PIHCMC also kindly requests the submission of relevant information to support the preparation of the documentation required to obtain official approval to organize the Conference in accordance with current regulations. Detailed information is provided in the attached annexes.

Sincerely,

**Recipients:**

- As per the attached distribution list;
- Deputy Minister Nguyen Thi Lien Huong (for reporting);
- Departments/Bureaus: Dept. Disease Control, Vietnam Admin. Science, Technology & Training (for reporting);
- Deputy Directors (for coordination and direction);
- Organizing Committee Members (for implementation);
- Archives: Archives, Planning Div.

**DIRECTOR**

**Nguyen Vu Trung**

## ANNEX I

### DETAILED INFORMATION ON THE CONFERENCE AND ABSTRACT SUBMISSION

*(Attached to Announcement No. /TB-PAS dated / /2026 of the Pasteur Institute in Ho Chi Minh City)*

#### 1. Time and venue

1.1. Duration: one day, November 19, 2026. The 135<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration of the Pasteur Institute in Ho Chi Minh City will be held prior to the Scientific Conference, November 18.

1.2. Format: In-person.

1.3. Venue: To be held in Ho Chi Minh City.

#### 2. Participants

Scientists, health managers, researchers, and health professionals from domestic and international institutions, as well as organizations and individuals interested in public health.

#### 3. Guidelines for abstract and presentation preparation

3.1. Conference presentations should cover new research findings in the following areas: tropical, emerging and re-emerging diseases; HIV/STI, tuberculosis, and hepatitis; vaccines and vaccine-preventable diseases; antimicrobial resistance, and infection control; One Health; non-communicable diseases, nutrition and food safety; occupational health, environment, and climate change; immunology, microbiology, bioinformatics, and other relevant topics.

3.2. Each main author (corresponding or lead author) may submit a maximum of two abstracts to the Conference.

3.3. Email for submission:

[hoinghikhoahocpasteur2026@gmail.com](mailto:hoinghikhoahocpasteur2026@gmail.com)

3.4. Submission guidelines:

a. The abstract should be presented on one A4 page, in both Vietnamese and English, containing four main sections: Introduction, Methods, Results, and Conclusions using the IMRAD format. Each abstract should not exceed 250 words for both versions combined, following the official submission template (attached).

b. If the author intends only to present at the Conference, an abstract submission is sufficient. Selected abstracts will be published in the Conference Proceedings.

c. Papers selected for publication in the special issue of a journal on preventive medicine must be submitted in full-text format according to the journal's requirements. Full-text manuscripts will be peer-reviewed and considered for publication. Authors

are responsible for all aspects of research design, implementation, publication, authorship, and content integrity. The Organizing Committee commits to storing submissions confidentially and will not publish or disclose any research without the author's consent.

For details on publication requirements, please refer to the following website as an example: <https://vjpm.vn/index.php/vjpm/about/submissions>.

#### **4. Presentation guidelines**

4.1. Presentations selected for plenary or thematic sessions will be notified at least ten days prior to the Conference.

4.2. Each oral presentation, including discussion, should not exceed fifteen minutes.

Presentations must be prepared in PowerPoint format in English and Vietnamese, and sent to the Secretariat no later than **five working days** before the Conference.

#### **5. Timeline**

- Deadline for full-text submission (for journal publication): 15 July 2026
- Deadline for abstract submission (for oral/poster consideration): 01 September 2026
- Deadline for submission of final oral presentation slides: 20 October 2026
- Deadline for poster submission: 01 November 2026
- Submissions should be emailed to: [hoinghikhoahocpasteur2026@gmail.com](mailto:hoinghikhoahocpasteur2026@gmail.com)  
(Please specify in the email subject line: “**Submission – Scientific Conference 2026 – Research for Public Health: Adaptation and Innovation**”)
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#### **6. Conference Publications**

- Conference Proceedings
- *Special issue of a journal on preventive medicine*, subject to sufficient eligible papers

**The official Conference announcements will be published on the website of The Pasteur Institute in Ho Chi Minh City: <http://www.pasteurhcm.gov.vn/>**

**For further information, please contact:**

**Conference Secretariat**

**PASTEUR INSTITUTE HO CHI MINH CITY**

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## ANNEX II

### ABSTRACT SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

(Attached to Announcement No. /TB-PAS dated / /2026 of the  
Pasteur Institute in Ho Chi Minh City)

The abstract must be submitted in electronic format (.doc or .docx) using Unicode (TCVN 6909:2001), with the font Times New Roman, size 12, line spacing 1.5, and margins of 3 cm (1.2 inch) on all sides, on A4 paper.

- Abstracts should be written in both Vietnamese and English
- Not exceeding 250 words for each version.
- **Title:** Concise, specific, and reflective of the study's main content; no abbreviations; highlight novelty and innovation. Please use sentence case, bold font, and limit to 25 words.
- **Authors and affiliations:** Each abstract must list all authors (please limit to 10 authors) and their institutions. One corresponding author must be clearly indicated, including full name, institution, email address, and phone number.
- **Content:** Use the IMARD format, and each abstract includes four main sections:
  - Introduction
  - Methods
  - Results
  - Conclusions

Each section should be written as a continuous paragraph, without using bullet points. The abstract with annexes should not exceed three A4 pages in total.

- **Illustrations:** An abstract may include figures and tables, with a maximum of two figures or tables.
- **Keywords:** Use short and representative words (or phrases) that are directly related to the main content of the paper. The number of keywords should be 3-6 words or phrases.