## The INF-ACT Extended Partnership program. A multidisciplinary challenge addressing emerging infectious diseases

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The INF-ACT Extended Partnership is a MUR PNRR-Funded program involving 25 institutions and over 500 researchers in Italy addressing pressing unmet needs of human emerging infectious diseases in both fundamental as well as in translational aspects. This multidisciplinary consortium takes into consideration human health in a wider context including domestic and wild animals as potential disease reservoirs and environmental factors enhancing the possibility for spillover (*One Health* approach). The INF-ACT Foundation, established in 2022, acts as Hub and coordinator of the project, facilitating networking activities, enabling data and protocol sharing, offering additional funding opportunities (including cascade open calls to researchers working in the public and in the private sectors), and fostering training and competitiveness of young researchers.

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