

## **Vaccines Europe statement on the European Commission proposal for a Council Recommendation on Strengthened Cooperation against Vaccine Preventable Diseases**

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Vaccines Europe welcomes the European Commission proposal for a Council Recommendation and the Commission Communication on Strengthened Cooperation against Vaccine Preventable Diseases that were adopted by the Commission today.

Vaccines Europe recognises these proposals as a positive step to address the different challenges faced by the member states regarding vaccination. Vaccines Europe is fully prepared to engage in discussions with authorities and other stakeholders on issues listed in the proposal where industry can contribute, such as on research and development and possible options to address sustainable supply of vaccines in Europe, including in the case of serious outbreaks.

“We all need to ensure that everyone benefits from vaccination”, said Pascale Mauran, Vaccines Europe President. The industry supports the Commission call to reach out to the most vulnerable groups in society to reduce health inequalities and gaps in vaccination coverage. We are prepared to work with the Commission and other stakeholders to identify potential solutions to this problem.

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