

## Final project meeting on "Innovation for complementary capability for Vaccine

**Dates** Wednesday, Oct. 8<sup>th</sup>, 2025

**Time** 15:00-18:00 (Japan) 7:00-10:00am (UK)

**Venue** Meeting Room 3G, 3rd Floor, GRIPS  
(7-22-1, Roppongi, Minato-ku, Tokyo [ACCESS](#) )

**Sponsor** JSPS/UKRI

**Language** English only (no translation available)

**Format** Hybrid

**Fee** Free (Preregistration required)

### Overview

The COVID-19 pandemic demonstrated to the world that vaccines can be developed at an unprecedented speed. At the same time, it revealed a major challenge—the emergence of significant global inequalities in vaccine distribution. This experience highlighted the urgent need for countries to build systems that can ensure equitable and timely access to vaccines, and to strengthen vaccine capability, particularly in low- and middle-income countries, in preparation for future pandemics.

This project, jointly conducted by the National Graduate Institute for Policy Studies (GRIPS) and the Institute of Development Studies (IDS), University of Sussex, examined how countries can enhance their vaccine capability not only through technological innovation but also by developing complementary capabilities—social, political, regulatory, market-enabling, and coordinating capacities that support vaccine access. The study drew on comparative case studies from the UK, Japan, Argentina, Brazil, Indonesia, India, and Vietnam.

This final meeting will bring together researchers and experts to share findings, reflect on lessons learned, and discuss how the insights gained can inform policies to build more equitable and resilient vaccine systems in preparation for future pandemics.

## 最終会合：低・中所得国におけるワクチン・ケイパビリティ強化に向けて

(会議は英語のみで行われます)

新型コロナウイルス感染症(COVID-19)のパンデミックでは、これまでにないスピードでワクチンが開発できることを世界に示したと同時に、ワクチンの分配に大きな国際的に不平等が生じる、という課題も明らかになりました。次のパンデミックに備え、各国は公平かつ迅速にワクチンを提供できる体制と、低中所得国のワクチン・ケイパビリティを強化することが喫緊の課題であることを浮き彫りにしました。

本プロジェクトは、政策研究大学院大学(GRIPS)と英国サセックス大学開発研究所(IDS)の共同で実施され、国々がワクチン・ケイパビリティのためには技術革新の能力強化にとどまらず、社会・政治的、法規制、市場形成、調整といった補完的能力(complementary capabilities)を身につける必要があることを、英国、日本、アルゼンチン、ブラジル、インドネシア、インド、ベトナムを対象とした比較事例研究をもとに検討しました。

この最終会合では、研究者や専門家が集い、成果の共有や得られた教訓の振り返りを行い、より公平で強靱なワクチンシステムを構築するための知見を今後のパンデミックに備え政策的示唆を踏まえ専門家と共に議論を深めます。

## Agenda of meeting INNOCOMP Project Final Meeting

October 8<sup>th</sup>, 2025

15:00-18:00 (JST)      7:00-10:00am(BST)

Format: Hybrid

Physical location: Room 3G, GRIPS

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Time	Activity	Name of presenter	Discussant	Duration
3pm-3.05 pm	Welcome	Prof. Masako Kurosawa Vice President of GRIPS		5min
3.05-3.25	Presentation of project objectives and relevance and description of the session program	Dr. Anabel Marin(IDS) Prof. Michiko Iizuka(GRIPS)		20min
3.25pm-4.15pm	Presentation on papers <b>Paper 1</b> Technological Autonomy or Global Integration: Navigating Vaccine Dependency in LMICs <b>Paper 2</b> Firm-Level Innovation and the Role of Political Capabilities: Evidence for the Pharmaceuticals Industry	Presenter(10-15 min each) Dr. Anabel Marin(IDS)  Dr. Gabriel Palazzo(Univ.Alcala)	(5-10 mins each) Dr. Ohid Yaqub (SPRU)  Prof. Jun Suzuki (GRIPS)	45min
4.15-4.25pm	Q&A from other participants			10min
Short of break				5 mins
4.30-5.30pm	<b>Paper 3</b> Pandemic preparedness and Institutions <b>Paper 4</b> Case of Indonesia <b>Paper 5</b> Issues about Human Resources	(10-15 min each) Prof.Michiko Iizuka (GRIPS)  Dr. Rahmi Lestari(BRIN)  Dr. Sayaka Ito (Osaka Univ.)	(5-10 min each) Prof. Gerry Bloom (IDS)  Prof. Koichi Sumikura (GRIPS)  Prof. Shingo Kano(Univ.Tokyo)	60min
5.30-5.40pm	Q&A			10min
5.40pm-5.55pm	Lessons from the project and relevance to current debate	Prof. Michiko Iizuka(GRIPS) Dr. Anabel Marin(IDS)		15min
5.55-6pm	Closure			5 min