Medicines to Reopen the World
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COVID-19 is a giant health and economic challenge that requires the best of our current knowledge in science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM). The world economic progress and the level of human activity have come to a halt more quickly than past pandemics. The effectiveness of the health care workforce is essential for any recovery.

Despite the advances in biological sciences, humanity is holding its breath on the development of therapeutics and vaccines to restore people’s confidence and resume our life journeys. Breakthroughs in mRNA, monoclonal antibodies, molecular engineering, chemical synthesis, drug delivery and rapid green manufacturing as well as information and communication technologies are being put to the test on a timeline unimaginable only months ago. We hope to compress vaccine development and delivery from one decade into less than a year.

The economic impact of the pandemic response of the health care sector combined with the manufacturing ramp up of therapeutics and vaccines is enormous and it demands highly adaptable business strategies. Join us to learn the insights of experts in global health, economics and business.

Panelist: Matthew Truppo, PhD, Vice President and Head, Biologics Discovery Johnson & Johnson. Former Head of Global Structural Chemistry and Chemical Biotechnologies at Merck. A nearly two-decade experience in the entire space of drug discovery and manufacturing. 40+ publications and patents.

Panelist: Ira Kalish, PhD, is the Chief Global Economist of Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu Ltd. He advises corporations and trade organizations on economics and business strategy. He has given presentations in 47 countries on six continents. He has been quoted by the Wall Street Journal, The Economist, and The Financial Times.

Speaker: Susan Michaels-Strasser, PhD, is the Columbia University Senior Director, Human Resources for Health Development. She focuses on acute and chronic health care as well as management of disease outbreaks. She leads CDC-funded programs in Africa on pediatric care, nurse training and use of diagnostics.

Moderator: Duane Dickson is a Vice Chairman and principal in Deloitte Consulting LLP’s Energy Resources & Industrials group. He served as a World Economic Forum’s Project Advisor and the Forum’s Chemical Community Lead, Chemistry and Advanced Materials. He is often quoted at industry media outlets.