ESCAP reference material and past research on trade and health

- From Lab to Jab: Improving Asia-Pacific’s Readiness to Produce and Deliver Vaccines

ESCAP, together with the World Health Organization, implemented the research project “From Lab to Jab: Improving Asia-Pacific’s Readiness to Produce and Deliver Vaccines” to better understand the determinants of vaccine production and delivery in Asia-Pacific. The findings of the project were aimed at helping developing countries in the Asia-Pacific region improve vaccine trade and transport connectivity and better prepare for the next pandemic as well as fight other communicable diseases.

Studies produced under the project:

i) Vaccine Research and Development (R&D) in the Asia-Pacific: the economics of vaccine R&D and policy recommendations to overcome market failures and promote R&D cooperation

ii) Vaccine global value chains and regional production capacity in Asia and the Pacific

iii) Practical means of applying the TRIPS agreement’s flexibilities to spur vaccine production

iv) Trade and Trade Barriers in Vaccines and Inputs to Vaccine Production in the Asia-Pacific Region

v) Regulatory cooperation in vaccines in the Asia-Pacific region

vi) International transport and logistics of vaccines across borders: the case of the Asia-Pacific region

vii) Strengthening health systems to address inequities in COVID-19 vaccine access in the Asia-Pacific region

viii) Financing research and development for new vaccines in Asia-Pacific developing countries

  - Featuring a special theme on ensuring access and equity in COVID-19 vaccination

- Working Paper: Trade, investment and cooperation in health product and services in the Asia-Pacific region