Thursday, March 10: Overview and Context

8:00am  **Registration**
(coffee and tea will be served)

8:45  **Welcome and Opening Remarks**
Moderator: Harvey Fineberg, Symposium Planning Committee Chair

*Ralph J. Cicerone*, President, National Academy of Sciences  
*Margaret Hamburg*, Foreign Secretary, National Academy of Medicine  
*Jo Handelsman*, Office of Science and Technology Policy  
*Carrie Wolinetz*, National Institutes of Health

9:15  **Overview of the Draft NSABB Policy Framework and Key Policy Questions**
Moderator: Harvey Fineberg, Symposium Planning Committee Chair

**Overview of the NSABB Working Paper**
*Samuel Stanley*, Stony Brook University and NSABB Chair  
*Harvey Fineberg*, Symposium Planning Committee Chair

Open Discussion

10:45  **Break**

11:15  **Informing the Policy Framework: The Risk/Benefit Assessment**
Moderator: Charles Haas, Symposium Planning Committee Member

**Lessons from the Risk/Benefit Assessment**
*Rocco Casagrande*, Gryphon Scientific

**Comments**
*Louis (Tony) Cox*, Cox Associates  
*Adam Finkel*, University of Pennsylvania  
*Kara Morgan*, Battelle

Open Discussion

12:45  **Lunch**
(seating available in the West Court and Members Room - follow signs)
The Policy Landscape: United States
Moderator: Michelle Mello, Symposium Planning Committee Member

Discussants
Gerald Epstein, Department of Homeland Security
Richard Frothingham, Duke University
Lawrence Kerr, Department of Health and Human Services
Philip Potter, St. Jude Children’s Research Hospital

Open Discussion

3:15
Break

3:45
The Policy Landscape: International Dimensions of GOF Research
Moderator: Barry Bloom, Symposium Planning Committee Member

Discussants
Ruxandra Draghia-Akli, European Commission
Keiji Fukuda, World Health Organization
Volker ter Meulen, European Academies Science Advisory Council
Silja Vöneky, University of Freiburg and German Ethics Council

Open Discussion

5:15
Adjourn
Reception follows in the Great Hall - all participants welcome
Friday, March 11: Digging Deeper - Key Issues for U.S. Policy Choices

8:30am  **Registration**
(coffee and tea will be served)

9:00  **Informing Policy Design: Insights from the Science of Safety and the Science of Public Consultation**
Moderator: Baruch Fischhoff, Symposium Planning Committee Member

**Discussants**
*Ruthanne Huising*, McGill University
*Gavin Huntley-Fenner*, Huntley-Fenner Advisors
*Monica Schoch-Spana*, UPMC Center for Health Security

Open Discussion

10:30  **Break**

11:00  **Best Practices to Inform National Policy Design and Implementation: Perspectives of Key Stakeholders in the Biomedical and Public Health Communities**
Moderator: Philip Dormitzer, Symposium Planning Committee Member

**Discussants**
*Michael Callahan*, Massachusetts General Hospital and Harvard Medical School
*Robert Fisher*, U.S. Food and Drug Administration
*Jonathan Moreno*, University of Pennsylvania
*Ethan Settembre*, Seqirus

Open Discussion

12:30  **Lunch**
(seating available in the West Court and Members Room - follow signs)

1:30  **International Governance: Opportunities for Harmonizing GOF Research Policy and Practice**
Moderator: Ronald Atlas, Symposium Planning Committee Member

**Discussants**
*Nisreen AL-Hmoud*, Royal Scientific Society of Jordan
*George F. Gao*, Chinese Academy of Sciences and China CDC
*Gabriel Leung*, University of Hong Kong
*Michael Selgelid*, Monash University
*Herawati Sudoyo*, Indonesian Academy of Sciences and Eijkman Institute for Molecular Biology

Open Discussion
3:00  Break

3:30  **Summing Up**  
Moderator: Harvey Fineberg, Symposium Planning Committee Chair

**Summary Remarks**  
Brief remarks from the moderators of the plenary sessions to summarize what emerged from the discussions during the symposium to inform the NSABB’s recommendations and the U.S. government’s policy choices.

**Open Discussion**

**Concluding Remarks**  
*Harvey Fineberg, Symposium Planning Committee Chair*

5:00  **Adjourn**