

Vaccine Hesitancy in Europe

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15th February, 2017 09:15 - 13:30

Alcide de Gasperi Room, Charlemagne Building

Rue de la Loi, 170 - 1049 Brussels



Programme

- 08:30 - 09:15 Registration
- 09:15 - 09:30 Opening speech
Mr. Xavier Prats Monné
Director General, Directorate-General for Health and Food Safety, European Commission
- 09:30 - 09:45 State of play of vaccination in Europe
Dr. Lucia Pastore Celentano
Head of the Vaccine Preventable Disease Programme, European Centre for Disease Prevention and Control

Session 1 - Stakeholders Perspectives on Vaccine Hesitancy

- 09:45 - 10:05 It ain't ignorance that does the harm!...
Prof. Dr. Rutger Jan van der Gaag
Vice-President, Standing Committee of the European Doctors; President, Royal Dutch Medical Association
- 10:05 - 10:25 Boosting vaccine confidence – what works?
Ms. Magdalena R. de Azero
Executive Director of Vaccines Europe, European Federation of Pharmaceutical Industries and Associations
- 10:25 - 10:45 Public trust in vaccines: role of the European Medicines Agency
Dr. Enrica Alteri
Head of the Research & Development Support Division, European Medicines Agency
- 10:45 - 11:05 Vaccine demand: hesitancy and acceptance in the WHO European region
Ms. Katrine Bach Habersaat
Technical Officer, Vaccine-preventable Diseases and Immunization, World Health Organization Regional Office for Europe

Coffee Break (11:05-11:20)

- 11:20 - 11:40 No one-size-fits-all remedy: understanding reasons for vaccine hesitancy
Dr. Günter Pfaff
Vice-President of Infectious Disease Control Section, The European Public Health Association
- 11:40 - 12:00 The State of Vaccine Confidence: 2016 Report
Dr. Heidi Larson
Director, Vaccine Confidence Project; Associate Professor, London School of Hygiene & Tropical Medicine

Session 2 - Panel Discussion

- 12:00 - 13:30 Moderated discussion, Q&A
With the participation of **Dr. Michael Sulzner**, Policy Officer, DG SANTE, European Commission
Moderated by **Ms. Carmen Claudia Paun**, Healthcare Reporter, POLITICO

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