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We invite you to join the webinar:

**Preparing Health Care Professionals To ‘Future’ Healthcare Challenges (AI and Robotics)**

**Wednesday 9 September at 11.00 CET, Brussels time**

**Our thematic network on profiling and training of the workforce of the future:** Every year, the European Commission’s Health Policy Platform hosts three Thematic Networks led by health stakeholders. These temporary networks are set up to produce a Joint Statement within a year's time in a policy area of common interest. Jointly with Health First Europe, EHMA is currently coordinating the thematic network dedicated to "Profiling and training the health care workers of the future". The goal of our thematic network is to support the European Commission and its Members States in profiling the healthcare workers’ needs for the future of care, identifying and improving their core competences and pointing out their critical role in the debate about health system reforms, digitalisation and new models of care.

**Introduction to the scope of the webinar:** The topic of the fourth webinar is “Preparing Health Care Professionals To ‘Future’ Healthcare Challenges (AI and Robotics)”. Our speakers will be Dr Imran Aslam from the United European Gastroenterology (UEG), and Ms Monique Kappert, Innovation Manager at the St. Franciscus Hospital in Rotterdam. In particular, Dr Aslam will talk about the use of robotic platforms to detect and treat diseases. Their use of this technology is growing at a fast pace and the clinical application is currently challenging. To cope with these fast developments, the use of the robotic platforms needs to be increasingly trained, taught, and aligned standards of Robotic Surgery training in Europe should be developed to reduce inequalities and differences in quality standards. Ms Kappert will discuss on the increasing shortage on healthcare professionals that we are going to face in the coming years. Care robots may solve a part of this challenge, but how can we make implementation successful and prepare care professionals for this future?

**Programme of the webinar:**

**Topic:** Preparing Health Care Professionals To ‘Future’ Healthcare Challenges (AI and Robotics)

**Moderator:** EHMA and/or the European Commission – DG SANTE

**When:** Wednesday 9 September at 11 CET

**Agenda:**

- 11.00 – 11.05 Introduction and welcome**  
DG SANTE, European Commission
- 11.05 – 11.23 Presentation 1**
  - Ms Monique Kappert, Innovation Manager at the St. Franciscus Hospital in Rotterdam - European Hospital and Healthcare Employers’ Association - HOSPEEM
- 11.23 – 11.40 Presentation 2**
  - Dr. Imran Aslam - United European Gastroenterology - UEG
- 11.40 – 11.50 Commentators** (replying to the questions addressed by the moderator)
- 11.50 – 12.15 Q&A**  
The floor will be open for participants to interact, discuss and provide comments on the presentation

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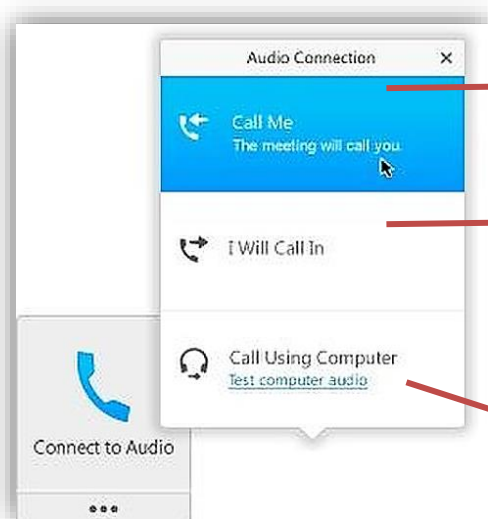
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