



CONFERENCE ON 50 YEARS OF EU PHARMA LEGISLATION: ACHIEVEMENTS AND FUTURE PERSPECTIVES

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PROGRAMME

Charlemagne Conference Centre - Room De Gasperi 170, rue de la Loi (1040 Brussels)

Conference organised by the European Commission under the Chairmanship of Commissioner for Health and Food Safety, Dr Vytenis Andriukaitis

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Morning Programme

- 8.30 Registration and coffee
- **10.00** Welcome by **Dr Andrzej Rys**, Director for Health systems and products, Directorate General for Health and Food Safety, European Commission
- 10.05 Interview with Mr Kevin Donnellon, thalidomide survivor
- **10.15** Opening speech by **Dr Vytenis Andriukaitis**, Commissioner for Health and Food Safety, European Commission
- 10.30 Introduction of the panel discussion by Mr Carlos Jimenez Renjifo, United Nations

SESSION 1 *Risk regulation – What is the appropriate level?*

Moderator: Mr Patrick Deboyser, Minister-Counsellor, European External Action Service

- 10.35 Introductory statement by **Prof. Tamara Hervey**, Head of School of Law, Jean Monnet Professor of European Law, University of Sheffield
- 10.45 Panel discussion:

Patients want early access, society wants safe medicines: Does one exclude the other? Is the regulator risk averse? Have we gone too far? Can pharmacovigilance and observational studies replace clinical trials? Are affordable medicines and high safety standards compatible?

Panel members:

Ms Dolores Montero, Head of Division Pharmacoepidemiology and Pharmacovigilance, Agencia Española de Medicamentos y Productos Sanitarios

Ms Susan Forda, Vice President, Global Regulatory Affairs International at Eli Lilly & Company Mr Yann Le Cam, Chief Executive Officer, European Organisation for Rare Diseases Mr Adrian van den Hoven, Director General of the European Generic Medicines Association Mr Hubertus Cranz, Director General of the Association of the European Self-Medication Industry

11.30 Coffee break

SESSION 2 Friends or foe – Regulators and industry

<u>Moderator</u>: **Dr Sabine Jülicher**, Head of Unit Medicinal Products Authorisation, European Medicines Agency, Directorate General Health and Food Safety, European Commission

- 11.50 Introductory statement by Mr Peter O'Donnell, Associate editor at Politico
- **12.00** Panel discussion:

Trust and transparency? Can regulators be gatekeepers and partners at the same time? Is legislation shaping business or is business shaping legislation?

Panel members:

Dr Christa Wirthumer-Hoche, Head of Austrian Medicines and Medical Devices Agency Mr Stefano Marino, Head of Legal Service, European Medicines Agency Mr Richard Bergström, Director General, European Federation of Pharmaceutical Industries and Associations

Dr Mary Baker, Immediate Past President of the European Brain Council and President of the 'Year of the Brain' project.

Mr Carlo Pettinelli, Director for Consumers, Environment and Health Technologies, Directorate General for Internal Market, Industry, Entrepreneurship and SMEs, European Commission

- 14.10 Welcome by Mr Xavier Prats Monné, Director General for Health and Food Safety, European Commission
- 14.15 Keynote address by **Dr Elisabeth Heisbourg**, Director of Health (acting), Ministry of Health, Grand-Duchy of Luxembourg

14.30 Communicating Science- a glimpse into the future

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SESSION 3

Pharmaceutical developments in the 21st century- perspectives, challenges and innovation

<u>Moderator:</u> Ms Giulia Del Brenna, Deputy Head of Cabinet of Mr Carlos Moedas, Commissioner for Research, Science and Innovation, European Commission

15.20 Introductory statement by **Prof. Michel Goldman**, Professor at the Université Libre de Bruxelles and former Executive Director of the Innovative Medicines Initiative

15.30 Panel discussion:

Current trends, future perspectives. What's next? Is regulation enabling innovation or does innovation happen anyhow? Personalised medicine(s): The end of one size fits all? Innovation, at what cost?

Panel members:

Ms Françoise Grossetête, Member of the European Parliament

Mr Martin Seychell, Deputy Director General for Health, Directorate General Health and Food Safety, European Commission

Prof. Guido Rasi, Principal Adviser in charge of Strategy, European Medicines Agency **Prof. Dr Chas Bountra**, Professor of Translational Medicines in the Nuffield Department of Clinical Medicine and Associate Member of the Department of Pharmacology at the University of Oxford

Prof. Dr Klaus Cichutek, President of the Paul-Ehrlich-Institut, Federal Institute for Vaccines and Biomedicines, Germany. Chairman of the Heads of Medicines Agencies' Management Group **Dr Pierre Meulien**, Executive Director of the Innovative Medicines Initiative

16.15 Closing of the conference: Mr Xavier Prats Monné, Director General for Health and Food Safety

16.30 End of the Conference