Expert Panel on Effective Ways of Investing in Health

1th Working Group meeting on

'Cross Border Cooperation'

Monday 19 January 2015, Audio conference, 14:45 - 16:00 h

MINUTES

Chair Rapporteur

1. Participants

1.1. Members Lasse Lehtonen (LL)

Helmut Brand (HB) Luigi Bertinato (LB) Dorjan Marušič (DM) Martin McKee (MM) Willy Palm (WP)

Matthias Wismar (MW)

1.2. DG SANTE Balazs Lengyel (BL)

DG ECFIN Christoph Schwiertz (CS)

1.3. Secretariat Takis Daskaleros (TD)

Jan Muyldermans (JM)

2. Welcome and apologies

LL opened the meeting and welcomed the participants. All members were present.

3. Adoption of the draft agenda

The agenda was adopted without modifications.

4. Declarations of interest

No new declarations were made.

5. On-going work on the opinion

The meeting discussed the Terms of Reference (ToR) of the mandate.

On point 1 (Identification of areas of Cross Border Cooperation (CBC)), the meeting noted that CBC can mean different things. This will be addressed in the opinion.

On point 2 (Benefits and obstacles), the meeting noted that, with a multiplicity of actors, the assessment of the benefits and obstacles of CBC will need to be done carefully.

A tentative structure of the opinion will be drafted and discussed at the next WG meeting (9 February 2015).