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DIRECTORATE-GENERAL FOR HEALTH AND FOOD SAFETY

Health systems, medical products and innovation
B3 Cross border healthcare, eHealth

EXPERT GROUP EUROPEAN HEALTH WORKFORCE

17 March 2016, Agenda

09:30 **Welcome & introduction by the Chair**

Caroline Hager, Team leader, DG Health and Food Safety, European Commission

Session 1: **Sharing Good Practices and Information**

09:45 **Recruitment and Retention of Health Professionals in Europe**

Introduction by Jeni Bremner, Director, European Health Management Association

- Introduction to the case studies

 Marieke Kroezen, Researcher, Catholic University Leuven, Belgium

- Case study "Return to Nursing Practice course"

 Sandra McCarthy, Head of Learning & Development, Centre for Learning & Development, Tallaght Hospital at the Trinity College Dublin, Ireland

- Case study "Attracting Nurses to Practice - the Malta Case"

 Andrew Xuereb, Chief Nursing Manager, Ministry for Energy & Health, Malta

- Case study "Social partners-based initiatives to meet the challenges of an ageing workforce, focus on a German experience"

 Mathias Maucher, Policy Officer European Federation of Public Service Unions (EPSU)

11:15 **Coffee Break**

11:45 **Continuous Professional Development & Patient Safety**

Report and discussion of workshop findings & conclusions, 11 February 2016

Eszter Kovacs, Associate Research Professor, Semmelweis University, Hungary

12:15 **Presentation of the European Organisation of Specialist Nurses**

Françoise Charnay-Sonnek, Secretary General ESNO

12:30-14:00 Lunch

Session 2: Future Cooperation Activities

14:00 Joint Action Health Workforce Planning and Forecasting

Update on activities and follow-up on the sustainability workshop

Michel van Hoegaerden Programme Manager, Belgium and Dora Kostadinova, Professor Medical University Varna, Bulgaria

15:15 Coffee Break

Session 3: EU funding to support health workforce policies

15:45 Health Programme Work Plan 2016

Isabelle Dévé, Policy officer, DG Health and Food Safety, European Commission

16:05 Use of EU Structural and Investment Funds in the Health Sector

Katarzyna Glowacka-Rochebonne, Policy officer, DG Health and Food Safety, European Commission

Session 4: Report from the OECD and WHO

16:25 Report from the OECD

Gaetan Lafortune, Senior Health Economist, OECD

16:40 Report from the WHO

- WHO Global HRH Strategy

- UNSG High Level Commission on Health Employment and Economic Growth

Galina Perfilieva, Programme Manager, WHO Regional Office for Europe

16:55 AOB

17:15 Close of Meeting

Address of the meeting:

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