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Health systems and products
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AGENDA

EXPERT GROUP ON EUROPEAN HEALTH WORKFORCE

16 NOVEMBER 2015

Room AB 4D, CCAB, Rue Froissart 36, 1040 Brussels

Meeting Objectives

- To inform you about the draft [WHO Global Strategy on Human Resources for Health](#) and to invite your comments with regard to its relevance and applicability in the European context. A summary paper and questions will follow.
- To share and discuss the latest developments in the key dimensions of health workforce policy: health workforce planning and forecasting, education and training and skills needs in the health sector.
- To present several initiatives to foster European partnerships to address skills needs in the health sector - from highly specialised skill needs to tackle rare medical conditions to skills for less technically complex care to cope with Europe's ageing population. We will also inform you of the Erasmus+2016 call for proposals to support Sector Skills Alliances (transnational projects to identify emerging skills needs and/or develop specific curricular to address those needs).

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10:30-10:45 **Welcome and introduction** by DG Health & Food Safety, European Commission

Session 1: Draft Global Strategy on Human Resources for Health : Workforce 2030
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10:45-12:45 **Draft Global Strategy on Human Resources for Health Workforce 2030**

Presentation followed by panel discussion and reactions from the expert group

Galina Perliieva & Professor James Buchan, WHO Regional Office for Europe, Copenhagen

Jim Campbell, Director Health Workforce, WHO Geneva, & Executive Director, Global Health Workforce Alliance

12:45-13:45 **Lunch**

Session 2: Health Workforce Planning, Education & Training

13:45-14:00 **Joint Action health workforce planning and forecasting**

Update on reports, activities and future events

Michel van Hoegaerden, Joint Action Programme Manager, Belgium

14:00-14:40 **Education & Training Trends in the OECD**

Presentation followed by Q&A

Gaetan Lafortune, Senior Health Economist, & Liliane Moreira, OECD Health Division

14:40-15:15 **Education & Training / Health Workforce Strategy in England**

Presentation followed by Q&A

Professor Ian Cumming, Chief Executive, Health Education England, UK

15:15-15:30 **Coffee break**

Session 3: Skills in the health sector

15:30-15:50 **Horizon Scanning: Future Skills and Competences in Europe**

Presentation followed by Q&A

Matt Edwards, Head of Horizon Scanning & Joint Action work package leader, Centre for Workforce Intelligence, UK

15:50-16:10 **Improving the Skills Mix for Chronic Care in Europe**

Presentation followed by Q&A

Matthias Wismar, Senior Health Policy Analyst, European Observatory on Health Systems and Policies

Session 4: Building European partnerships
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16:10-16:30 **European Reference Networks – Highly Specialist Skills for Rare Diseases**

Presentation followed by Q&A

Enrique Terol, Policy Officer, DG Health and Food Safety, European Commission

16:30-16:45 **Core competences of healthcare assistants**

Information about Commission feasibility study: objectives & approach

Ronald Batenburg, Netherlands Institute for Health Services Research (NIVEL)

16:45-17:05 **European Sector Skills Alliances – Erasmus+ 2016**

Presentation followed by Q&A

Felix Rohn, Policy Officer, DG Employment, European Commission

17:05 -17:20 **Any Other Business**

- Introduction to the European Specialist Nurse Organisations (ESNO)
- Next meetings

17:20- 17:30 **Close of Meeting**