

First meeting of the HERA Civil Society Forum
28 June 2022, 15.00 to 17:00, online

Participants:

All members of the forum and HERA, DG SANTE and DG GROW representatives

Summary :

The first meeting of the HERA Civil society Forum, bringing HERA together with representatives of the patients, consumers and health professionals. Overall, the members welcomed the establishment of the Forum and agreed on the importance of the involvement of the civil society to exchange on preparedness and response activities across the EU. The members shared the main lessons learned from the COVID-19 experience as well as their views of the priorities for HERA and increasing preparedness in the EU. The priorities included AMR, continuing dealing with COVID, assessment of the lessons learned and increased funding for R&D.

Agenda:

1. Introduction of HERA—update on activities
2. Views of participants on lessons learned from the Covid-19 crisis and HERA's role in the response
- 3) Views of participants on the state of preparedness of the Union for future health emergencies; to what extent are we better prepared than before?
- 4) Views of participants on priorities HERA should focus on in 2023 and beyond, and the role of civil society in those priorities