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## **EXPERT GROUP EUROPEAN HEALTH WORKFORCE**

**22 November 2016**

**Venue: Committee of the Regions, rue Belliard 99-101, Brussels (room JDE 53)**

### **Final Agenda**

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

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

**Session 1: Health workforce planning and forecasting**

**09:45 Final outcomes of the Joint Action on Health workforce planning and forecasting**

Michel van Hoegaerden Programme Manager FPS Public Health, Food Chain Safety & Environment, Belgium

Feedback from the Expert Group

**10:30 Follow up to the Health programme 2016 on "Support for the health workforce planning and forecasting expert network"**

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

**10:45 Coffee break**

**Session 2: Skills of health professionals – Evidence and Research**

**11:15 Final outcomes of the study "Healthcare assistants in Europe - study on the desirability and feasibility of a Common Training Framework"**

Ronald Batenburg, Programme leader Health workforce studies, Netherlands Institute for Health Services Research, The Netherlands

Discussion

**12:15 Preliminary results from the MUNROS 7th RTD project "Health care reform: the impact on practice, outcomes and costs of new roles for health professionals"**

Robert Elliott, Professor of Health Economics, University of Aberdeen, United Kingdom

Discussion

**12:45**            **OECD feasibility study for an international survey of health workers' skills**  
Akiko Maeda, Senior Economist, OECD Health Division

**13:00-14:00**    **Lunch**

**Session 3:        Skills of health professionals – European cooperation**

**14:00**            **Continuous Professional Development and lifelong learning - Social Dialogue in the Hospital Sector**

Emilie Sourdoire, Policy Officer, HOSPEEM - European Hospital and Healthcare Employers' Association

**14:15**            **New Skills Agenda for Europe**

*"Blueprint for sectoral cooperation on skills"*

Chiara Riondino, Policy Officer, DG Employment, European Commission

*"Digital skills in the jobs coalition" (incl. Horizon 2020 Health Workforce IT skills)*

Janne Elvelid, Policy Officer, DG Connect, European Commission

Ramón Sanmartín Sola, Policy & Project Officer, DG Connect, European Commission

Discussion

**15:45**            **Coffee Break**

**16:15**            **Maltese Presidency 2017 priority on "structured cooperation between countries related to highly specialised healthcare"**

Stephen Mifsud, Health and Consumer Protection Attaché, Malta

**Session 4:        International initiatives on health workforce**

**16:30**            **UN SG High Level Commission on Health Employment and Economic Growth**

Charles Tellier, French Ministry of Foreign Affairs & International Development, Sous-Sherpa for President Hollande for the UN Secretary General's High Level Commission on Health Employment & Economic Growth

**17:00**            **"Towards a sustainable health workforce in the WHO European Region: a framework for action to 2030".**

Galina Perfilieva, Programme Manager, WHO Regional Office for Europe

James Buchan, Senior Advisor, WHO Human Resources for Health Programme

**17:30**            **AOB**

**17:45**            **End of meeting**