



Parallel session PS5: "ERNs Sustainability"

22 November 11:40 – 13:00

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Aim of the parallel session:

Identify and discuss the main challenges related to the sustainability of ERNs and how the system can be maintained throughout the coming years from the perspective of the Member states, the ERNs, the Hospital Managers and the EU institutions.

Main issues to be addressed:

Different aspects of sustainability that are to be considered:

- What is the role of the Member states, ERN Networks, Hospital managers and the European institutions in the ERN sustainability;
- What are the needs and challenges already grasped by the ERNs. What are the potential needs and risk in the future;
- How the Member states and Hospital managers address the ERNs sustainability and potential risk for the Networks;

- State of play and overview of the supporting actions financed by the Health Programme;
- The need of a long term planning to facilitate the engagement of all the actors in the support to the ERNs;

Format of the session:

Short presentations followed by discussion between the panellists and session of Q&A with the audience.