



**STAKEHOLDER EVENT ON BIOSIMILAR MEDICINAL PRODUCTS
BRUSSELS, 13 DECEMBER 2022
9H30 - 16H15 CET***

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DRAFT AGENDA

- 09.00 – 09.30** **Registration and welcome**
- 09.30 – 09.40** **Introductory note**
➤ John Ryan, Acting Deputy Director General for Health, DG SANTE, European Commission
- 09.40 – 09.50** **How biosimilars impact my access to affordable medicines**
➤ Patient speaker
- 09.50 – 10.20** **The impact of biosimilar competition in Europe**
➤ Per Troein, VP, Strategic partners, IQVIA
➤ Max Newton, Global supplier & association relations, IQVIA
- Interactive Q&A discussion with the audience
- 10.20 – 10.45** **Coffee & networking break**
- 10.45 – 12.30** **Interchangeability, switching and substitution of biosimilars:**
scientific evidence, regulatory guidance and national policies
- Chair: Harald Mische, Deputy Head of Unit for Medical Products, DG SANTE, European Commission
- 1) Interchangeability of biosimilars
- Available evidence on interchangeability of biosimilars*
➤ Liese Barbier, Postdoctoral Researcher Pharmaceutical Sciences, KU Leuven, Belgium
- Joint EMA-HMA statement on interchangeability*
➤ Steffen Thirstrup MD, Affiliate Professor and Chief Medical Officer at the European Medicines Agency (EMA)
- Interactive Q&A discussion with the audience
- 2) National biosimilar policies: switching and substitution
- Sabine Vogler, Head of the Pharmacoeconomics Department at the Austrian National Public Health Institute, GÖG
➤ Olga Pitsillidou, Officer Health Insurance Organization (CY)

- Helga Festoy, Head of Unit Norwegian Medicines Agency (NO)
- Nadia Amer, Project Officer Health Products Department National Health Insurance Fund CNAM (FR)
- Bente Glintborg, Senior rheumatologist and head of the DANBIO steering committee (DK)

Interactive Q&A discussion with the audience

12.30 – 13.30

Networking lunch

13.30 – 14.40

Building trust in oncology biosimilars: clinical practice

Chair: Peter Schneider, Health Expert at the Austrian National Public Health Institute, GÖG (AT)

Improving biosimilar access to the benefit of patients

- Ward Rommel, Chair of ECL Access to Medicines Task Force, Expert in Cancer Care at Kom op tegen kanker

Perspective from an oncology clinician

- Dr. Rosa Giuliani, Director of Public Policy at the European Society for Medical Oncology (ESMO)

The role of pharmacists in oncology biosimilar treatment

- Dr. Tilman Schöning, Deputy Head of Pharmacy Heidelberg University Hospital, Member of the European Society of Oncology Pharmacy (ESOP)

The role of nurses in switch management between similar biological medicines

- Dr. Adriano Friganovic, President of the European Specialist Nurses Organisation (ESNO) and World Federation of Critical Care Nurses (WFCCN)

Interactive Q&A discussion with the audience

14.40 – 15.00

Coffee & networking break

15.00 – 16.00

Untapping the full potential of biosimilars

Chair: Sanja Matic, Head of Department for utilisation and prices of medicines, HALMED (HR)

Interactive panel discussion

- Simone Boselli, Public Affairs Director, EURORDIS-Rare Diseases Europe
- Yannis Natsis, Director of the European Social Insurance Platform (ESIP)
- Julie Maréchal-Jamil, Director Biosimilar Policy & Science, Medicines for Europe
- Dr. Rosa Giuliani, Director of Public Policy at the European Society for Medical Oncology (ESMO)

- Despoina Makridaki, Director of Pharmaceutical Services at the Sismanoglio-Amalia Fleming General Hospital of Attica, Member of the Board and Scientific Committee of the European Association of Hospital Pharmacists (EAHP)
- Ber Oomen, Executive Director of the European Specialist Nurses Organisation (ESNO)

16.00 - 16.15

Closing words

➤ DG SANTE

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