



**Expert Panel on Effective Ways of Investing in Health**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Working Group meeting on  
Future EU agenda on quality of health care with a special emphasis on  
patient safety**

**Friday 14 March 2014, DM24 02/67, 10:00 – 17:00 h**

**MINUTES**

**1. Participants**

<b>1.1. Members</b>	Malgorzata Bala (MB) Nicola Bedlington (NB) Werner Brouwer (WB) Fernando Lamata (FL) Lasse Lehtonen (LL) Dorjan Marušič (DM) Walter Ricciardi (WR) David Somekh (DS)	Chair Rapporteur
<b>1.2. Secretariat</b>	Takis Daskaleros (TD) Bernie Merkel (BM) Jan Muyldermans (JM)	

**2. Welcome and apologies**

LL opened the meeting and welcomed the participants. Apologies were received from Jan De Maeseneer and Martin McKee.

**3. Adoption of the draft agenda**

The agenda was adopted without modifications.

**4. Declarations of interest**

WR declared that he will be the rapporteur of a research project, sponsored by AbbVie, on sustainable health care in Europe that will produce a White Paper and is chaired by the former Deputy Prime Minister of Ireland, Mary Harney.

The Working group (WG) didn't consider this to represent a conflict of interest.

## **5. On-going work on the opinion**

The new information available since the last WG meeting was discussed and the tasks of assessment distributed among the WG members.

The six subgroups (on guidance/protocols, process, outcome, structure, health economics and cross border health care) discussed the issues they need to address. A first outline of their findings is expected by the next WG meeting.

The WG agreed on the use of an operational definition (and dimensions) of quality of care.

## **6. Any other business**

Next WG meeting: 28 April 2014