European Parliament Conference on Chronic Diseases organized jointly by the Belgian Presidency of the EU and Health First Europe

Co-hosted by MEP Kathleen Van Brempt, BE, S&d and MEP Miroslav Mikolášik, SK, EPP-ED

Chronic Disease Management: Aim for an Innovative EU policy “cure”

CONFERENCE PROGRAMME

14:30 – 15:00 Registration and welcome

15:00 – 15:15 Opening and Keynote speeches

- MEP Kathleen Van Brempt, BE, S&d and MEP Miroslav Mikolášik, SK, EPP-ED (conf)
- Laurette Onkelinx, Deputy Prime Minister, Minister for Social Affairs and Public Health, Belgium (conf)

15:15 – 15:30 Setting the scene

Presentation of the main conclusions on “Barriers and Opportunities” that emerged from the conference organized from the Belgian Presidency on October 20th, BE rapporteur

Session 1

15:30 – 16:30 Barriers and Opportunities

- Chaired by John Bowis, HFE’s Honorary President (conf)
- Thinking out of the box: an EU perspective, (tbc)
- Do we have an European perspective?, Antonia Parvanova, MEP, BU, ALDE (inv)
- Barriers and opportunities, Paul de Raeye, Secretary General, European Federation of Nurses (conf)
- Living with a cardiovascular disease, Jo Groves, CEO, International Alliance of Patients organizations (inv)
- Sweeping barriers: telemedicine, Prof. Panos E. Vardas, President, European Heart Rhythm Association (tbc)
- Q&A and wrap up of the first session

16:30 – 16:40 Coffee break
Health First Europe:
*Improved healthcare through innovative solutions*

Session 2

16:40 – 17:55 **Management and care of chronic diseases**
- Chaired by John Bowis, HFE’s Honorary President (conf)
- Innovating to find solutions, John Wilkinson, CEO, Eucomed (conf)
- Cross-border management: an opportunity?, Françoise Grossetête, MEP, FR, EPP-ED
- More information, better treatment? Wim Wientjes, President, International Diabetes Federation (conf)
- How to reduce the bills?, Jo de Cock, INAMI(Institut national d’assurance maladie-invalidité)(conf)
- Q&A and wrap up of the second session

17:55 – 18:00 **Conclusion and closing of the conference:**
- Laurette Onkelinx, Deputy Prime Minister, Minister for Social Affairs and Public Health, Belgium (conf)
- MEP Miroslav Mikolášik, SK, EPP-ED (conf)

18:00 – 19:00 Reception