

PRELIMINARY PROGRAMME

DAY 1: 29 APRIL | 08:30 - 16:45 GMT

WELCOME ADDRESS AND OPENING REMARKS

Marta Temido, Portuguese Minister of Health

HIGH LEVEL SPEAKERS

Ursula Von der Leyen, President of the European Commission (tbc) António Costa, Portuguese Prime Minister (tbc) Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus, Director-General WHO

KEYNOTE SESSION

09:00 – 09:10 | Portuguese Presidency priorities on access to medicines and medical devices Marta Temido, Portuguese Minister of Health

09:10 – 09:20 | European Health Union and the Pharmaceutical Strategy for Europe Stella Kyriakides, European Commissioner for Health and Food Safety

09:20 – 09:30 | European Parliament perspective on access to medicines and medical devices Pascal Canfin, ENVI Committee Chair (tbc)

PANEL I: AVAILABILITY OF MEDICINES AND MEDICAL DEVICES | Moderator: Christa Wirthumer-Hoche, AGES, AT

09:30 – 09:45 Addressing shortages: preliminary results from the Commission study *Andrzej Rys, European Commission*

09:45 – 10:00 Taking forward the structured dialogue on security of supply chains Nuno Simões, INFARMED, PT

10:00 – 10:15 A common understanding for a list of critical medicines and medical devices Noël Wathion, EMA (tbc)

10:15 - 10:15 | Q&A 10:40 - 10:50 | BREAK

PARALLEL BREAKOUT SESSIONS

10:50 – 11:40 | Stakeholders solutions to medicines shortages *Moderator:* Kristin Raudsepp, SAM, EE

PARALLEL BREAKOUT SESSION 1:

National experience on shortage's management

Rapporteur: Xavier De Cuyper FAMHP, BE

PARALLEL BREAKOUT SESSION 2:

Shortages management plans to avoid availability problems

Rapporteur: Sinisa Tomic, HALMED, HR

PARALLEL BREAKOUT SESSION 3:

Hospital Pharmacists solutions for availability problems

Rapporteur: Aida Batista, EAHP

PARALLEL BREAKOUT SESSION 4:

Consumers and patients' perspectives on medicines shortages, the case of small volumes and limited use medicines

Rapporteur: Monique Goyens, BEUC







11:40 – 12:00 | Breakout sessions' conclusions

12:00 - 12:25 | Q&A

12:25 – 13:30 | LUNCH

PANEL II: INNOVATION AND ACCESSIBILITY OF MEDICINES AND MEDICAL DEVICES TO PATIENTS

Moderator: Karl Broich, Bfarm, DE

13:30 – 14:00 | HMA-EMA joint strategy 2025

Emer Cooke, EMA | Svens Henkuzens, ZVA, LV

PARALLEL BREAKOUT SESSIONS

14:00 - 14:50

PARALLEL BREAKOUT SESSION 1:

Access to medicines for special populations: Orphan and Paediatric Regulations & Revision of the system of incentives

Rapporteur:

Koenraad Norga Chair PDCO (tbc) and Violeta Stoyanova-Beninska, Chair COMP

PARALLEL BREAKOUT SESSION 2:

Unmet medical needs: medicines and medical devices research in view of patients and health systems needs

**Rapporteur: Marco

Rapporteur: Marco Greco, President, European Patients Forum (EPF) (tbc)

PARALLEL BREAKOUT SESSION 3:

How the repurposing of old medicines may add new value on patients' access to new therapies

Rapporteur:Cesar Hernandez,
AEMPS, ES

PARALLEL BREAKOUT SESSION 4:

Generation of evidence for a better patient access & Health data space and big data: shared data for a better communication and coordination

Rapporteur:

Peter Arlett, EMA *(tbc)* and Nikolai Brun, DKMA, DK

14:50 - 15:10 | Breakout sessions' conclusions

15:10 - 15:40 | Q&A

15:40 - 15:50 | BREAK

PANEL II (CONT): INNOVATION AND ACCESSIBILITY OF MEDICINES AND MEDICAL DEVICES TO PATIENTS

Moderator: Maria Lamas, AEMPS, ES

15:50 – 16:05 The new regulation of medical devices: State of play – Are we ready? Ana Eva Ampelas, European Commission

16:05 – 16:20 | Will the new regulation promote accessibility of MD: Coordination, complexity and stringency vs. the need for regulatory flexibility

Thomas Wejs Møller, Chair CAMD

16:20 – 16:35 | The technological, scientific and regulatory convergence between medicines and medical devices (digital technologies, companion diagnostics, combination products)

Niall MacAleenan, HPRA, IE

16:35 – 16:50 | Q&A









DAY 2: 30 APRIL 09:00 - 12:30 GMT

PANEL III: AFFORDABILITY OF MEDICINES | Moderator: Rui Santos Ivo, INFARMED, PT

09:00 – 09:15 | Developing an "affordability" agenda under the pharmaceutical strategy for Europe to keep the sustainability of Health Systems | Sylvain Giraud, European Commission

09:15 - 09:30 | Effective ways of investing in health and patient access | Pedro Pita Barros, Nova SBE

09:30-09:45 | Sustainability of healthcare systems: What costs? What value? | Francisco Ramos, ENSP

09:45 - 10:00 | Q&A

10:00 - 10:10 | Break

ROUNDTABLE

10:10 - 11:55 | Collaboration and priorities for accessibility and affordability

Moderador: Marcel van Raijj, MoH, NL

The perspective of the Industry Nathalie Moll, Director General, EFPIA, Christoph Stoller, MfE Serge Bernasconi, Medtech Europe (tbc)

| The perspective of patients & health professionals Yannis Natsis, EPHA Annabel Seebohm, CPME

11:55 – 12:20 | Q&A

CLOSING SESSION

12:00 – 12:15 | Closing remarks

Diogo Serras Lopes, Portuguese Secretary of State for Health





