



EU COOPERATION TO STRENGTHEN PREPAREDNESS AND MANAGEMENT OF CROSS-BORDER HEALTH THREATS

EPH, pre-conference, Marseille, France

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PROVISIONAL PROGRAMME

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| 13:30- 13:50 | Welcome/Introductory remarks <i>CHAIR: DG SANTE – Wolfgang Philipp</i> Policy framework for EU coordination of preparedness and response to serious cross-border health threats |
| 13:50 - 14:10 | Member State perspective <i>FR - Antoine Schwoerer</i> Views from a Member State on the role of the EU in preparedness and response against serious cross-border threats to health |
| 14:10 - 14:40 | EU Member States and neighbouring countries preparedness & response to serious cross-border health threats <i>Professor Mika Salminen & Professor Christos Hadjichristodoulou</i> Presentations of EU Joint Actions: (1) Strengthened International Health Regulations and Preparedness in the EU; (2) Health Gateways |
| 14:40 - 15:00 | International Health Regulations in the global emergency preparedness context <i>WHO EURO – Dorit Nitzan & Associate Professor Anniek de Ruijter</i> The importance of IHR implementation in a globalised world: challenges and risks of non-implementation |
| 15:00 – 15:30 | COFFEE BREAK |
| 15:30 - 15:50 | Medical countermeasures and deployment in emergencies <i>DG ECHO - Iivi Luuk & DG SANTE - Agnes Molnar</i> The role of medical countermeasures in containing health emergencies and structures for rapid deployment at an EU and global level |
| 15:50 - 16:10 | Health and security - a contribution to the EU Security Union <i>DG HOME – Eva Maria Engdahl & ECDC - Karl Ekdahl</i> Overview of EU Security Union and the functionalities of interfaces and collaboration between the security and health sector, including ECDC and EUROPOL cooperation |
| 16:10 - 16:50 | Panel Discussion & Questions Panel: <i>DG ECHO - Iivi Luuk; DG SANTE - Agnes Molnar; ECDC - Karl Ekdahl; WHO Euro - Dorit Nitzan; Professor Mika Salminen; Professor Christos Hadjichristodoulou Associate Professor Anniek de Ruijter; FR - Antoine Schwoerer</i> |

Moderator:
DG SANTE - Wolfgang Philipp

- What constitutes health security - utility of collaboration between health and other critical sectors
- The weakest link - gaps, strengths and opportunities for enhanced international cooperation for an efficient global health preparedness & response
- The rise of high impact low probability events, terrorism, intentional releases, critical infrastructure protection & hybrid threats

16:50- 17:00

Closing remarks
DG SANTE – Wolfgang Philipp