

STRENGTHENING ONCOPOLICY through PARTNERSHIPS: UNLOCKING EUROPE'S HEALTH and RESEARCH POTENTIAL

**European Economic and Social Committee (EESC)
Rue van Maerlant 2, B-1040 Brussels, Belgium**

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8.45 - 9.00

Registration

9.00 - 11.15

Session 1 - Chair: M. Baumann

How does the current European health and research policy environment create opportunities for innovation and creativity in oncopolicy?

- Opening remarks – M. Baumann (ECCO President)
- Welcome from EESC – I. Kössler (EESC Member)
- Overview of the Forum – J. E. Celis (Chair of ECCO Policy Committee)
- EU Belgian Presidency – O. Belle (Advisor to Minister for Social Affairs and Public Health)
- EU Commission - A. Ryś (Director, DG for Health and Consumers)
- EU Commission - M. Geoghegan-Quinn (Commissioner for Research, Innovation and Science)
- European Parliament - A. Peterle (Member of European Parliament)
- World Health Organisation – A. W. H. Ullrich (Medical Officer Cancer Control)

Including discussion with the audience

11.15 - 11.30

Coffee Break

11.30 - 13.10

Session 2 - Chair: A.M.M. Eggermont

Delivering effective partnerships: which way forward?

Science and research

- European Academy of Cancer Sciences – A. Berns (Academy Fellow)
- EurocanPlatform – U. Ringborg (Director, Cancer Centre, Karolinska Institutet)
- European Network of Cancer Research in Children and Adolescents – G. Vassal (Head of Clinical and Translational Research, Institut Gustave Roussy)

Networks

- European Partnership for Action against Cancer – M. Seljak (Director, National Institute of Public Health, Slovenia)
- Chronic Disease Alliance – J.W. Coebergh (Professor of Cancer Surveillance, Erasmus Medical Centre)
- Alliance for Biomedical Research in Europe - M. Baumann (ECCO President)
- Patient-driven partnership – T. Hudson (ECPC President)

Communication

- Eurocancercoms – R. Sullivan (Director of International Affairs, Kings Health Partners Integrated Cancer Centre)

Including questions and answers and discussion with the audience

13.10 - 14.00 *Lunch*

14.00 - 15.30 **Session 3 - Moderator: K. Redmond**

European actions and local applications: how can partnerships address cancer inequalities in Europe?

- Introduction to the session by the moderator
- Stakeholder statements
- Debate

Stakeholders:

- ✓ Clinician representative – P. Casali (ESMO Board member)
- ✓ Nurse representative – S. Faithfull (EONS Board member)
- ✓ Pharmacist representative – K. Meier (ESOP President)
- ✓ Patients – R. Wilson (Director, Sarcoma UK)
- ✓ Pharmaceutical industry – A. Crook (VP, Commercial Portfolio Management, Pfizer Oncology)
- ✓ DG Health and Consumers – A. Ryś (Director, Public Health and Risk Assessment)
- ✓ DG Research – J.W. van de Loo (Scientific Officer)

Including discussion with the audience

15.30 - 16.00 **Concluding remarks** - M. Baumann/ J. E. Celis

16.00 *Networking Coffee and Closing of the Forum*