

10th European Patients' Rights Day

"Reducing waste and inefficiency in the healthcare systems, increasing quality of patient care"

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Speakers' list



Vytenis Andriukaitis, European Commissioner for Health and Food Safety

2014-present: Commissioner for Health and Food Safety. 2014: Vice-President of the World Health Assembly. 2012-14: Minister for Health in his Country. 2001-04: Deputy Speaker of the Lithuanian Parliament. 1999-2000: Party leader of Lietuvos Socialdemokratų Partija (LSDP, Social Democratic Party of Lithuania). @V_Andriukaitis



Lieven Annemans, Ghent University - Senior Professor

Senior Professor of Health Economics at the Faculty of Medicine at Ghent University. Twenty years of experience in health economics research; published >250 papers on health economic evaluations of prevention programmes, medicines, medical devices and diagnostics. Previously advisor to the Belgian Minister of Health from 2001 to 2003 and president of the Flemish health council from 2003 to 2009. *@LievenAnnemans*



Giuseppe Banfi, IRCCS Galeazzi - Scientific Director

Medical Doctor, full professor of Clinical Biochemistry in Vita e Salute San Raffaele University in Milano. Scientific Director from 2007 of the IRCCS Galeazzi, orthopedic hospital accredited by Ministry of Health for research programmes. General Director of Fondazione Centro San Raffaele in Milano and Scientific Director of Gruppo San Donato Foundation.



David Borrelli, MEP - Europe of Freedom and Direct Democracy Group (EFDD) - Co-Chair

Entrepreneur in the IT and catering sector. Computer Technician (2003-2009). Politics: Councillor in Treviso (2008-2013), candidate for President of the Veneto region (2010), Member of the European Parliament and Co-Chair of the EFDD Group (2014-present). @borrellidavid





Maarten de Wit, European League Against Rheumatism – Vice President

He has been active in organizations of patients with rheumatic diseases at local, national and international level for more than 15 years. He is member of the Scientific Committee of the European League Against Rheumatism (EULAR) and nominated for EULAR vice president for the Standing Committee of People with Arthritis/Rheumatism in Europe (PARE).



David Evans - Contact, Help, Advice and Information Network (CHAIN)

David Evans has worked in and around the UK NHS for 32 years. He established CHAIN, a free, multi-professional, mutual support network in 1997, and it now has 15,000 members. CHAIN offers a unique pool of front-line clinicians, researchers, managers and educators keen to share their experience and aspirations in pursuit of better care.



Antonio Gaudioso, Cittadinanzattiva - Secretary General

He is currently General Secretary of Cittadinanzattiva, an Italian civic organization that promotes civic participation and protects citizens' rights. He started his collaboration with Cittadinanzattiva in 1996. In 2002 he contributed to the drafting of the European Charter of Patients' Rights promoted by Active Citizenship Network, the European branch of Cittadinanzattiva. @anto_gaudioso



Douglas Gregory, member of EFPIA Heath Systems Working Group

He is Executive Director, European Union Government Affairs at Amgen, responsible for coordinating and advancing Amgen interests to the EU Institutions. Mr. Gregory chairs the EFPIA (European Federation of Pharmaceutical Industries and Association), Priority Working Group on Biologics and is an active contributor to EFPIA's policy work on Healthcare Systems.



Jamie Hogg, NHS Grampian - Clinical Lead for Modernisation

NHS Grampian is one of 14 Scottish Health Boards. In 2012, NHS Grampian's Modernisation team started working using the Prescribe digital platform to support service redesign activity with a view to improving efficiency and meeting workforce challenges across the Scottish health system. Dr Jamie Hogg, who is the project lead and Deputy and Associate Medical Director, was also shortlisted in the Scottish Health Awards for leading and managing for quality.





Salvatore Leone, AMICI Onlus – General Director

AMICI Onlus is the Italian association of the Crohn's & Ulcerative Colitis, member of the National Coalition of Associations for Patients suffering Chronic Diseases (CnAMC), Italy. Salvatore Leone is also the Vice president of the The European Federation of Crohn's & Ulcerative Colitis Associations (EFCCA).



Antonio Longo, European Economic and Social Committee, Various Interests Group

President of the Movimento Difesa del Cittadino (Citizens' Rights Movement) - Member of CNCU (National Council for Consumers and Users) in Italy.



Pamela Mazzocato, Karolinska Insitutet - Leader of the Clinical Management research group

PhD in Medical Management, Pamela Mazzocato leads the Clinical Management research group at the Medical Management Center, Karolinska Insitutet (KI). In her research she focuses on how the management of clinical operations and healthcare organizations influences the ability to meet the needs of patients and healthcare professionals. Since 2012, she is co-directing and running courses in Healthcare Management for master students in Health Economics, Policy and Management, KI.



Cristiana Montani Natalucci, Cittadinanzattiva, Tribunal for Patients' Rights - Senior Communications and Project Manager

Extensive experience in National and International communications projects in healthcare sector. She works for the Tribunal for Patients' Rights of Cittadinanzattiva. She is an expert in technical, conceptual and content development with a thorough national and international knowledge of corporate, institutional and association decision making processes.



Virginia Minogue, England National Health System- Research, evidence and knowledge lead

Research, evidence and knowledge lead for the NHS Future Focused Finance programme: a five year vision for NHS finance professionals, clinicians and patients. She also led a theme group looking at patient engagement in reducing waste.

She has several years' experience of management in the public sector and as Chair of a voluntary sector mental health organisation with an active service user involvement project.





Eileen Nolan Shortiss, National Cancer Control Programme -Manager Electronic Cancer Referral and Urological Cancers

She qualified as general nurse and midwife, and has a Business Degree, MBA and a Diploma in Cancer Prevention in the National Cancer Institute, US. Eileen works in the National Cancer Control Programme and is responsible for the development of electronic cancer referral which has won an eGovernment Award. Currently Eileen is supporting the National Programme Manager for Urological Cancers and Electronic Cancer Referrals Systems.



Piernicola Pedicini, MEP - Europe of Freedom and Direct Democracy Group - Coordinator

Piernicola took a Degree on Physics in 1998 and a Medical Physics Specialisation in 2006 at the University Federico II of Naples and he worked as Medical Physicist at the Department of Radiation Oncology in Rionero in Vulture, Potenza, Italy, since 2008 as health Director until his recent election as Member of the European Parliament. He is member of the ENVI (Environment, Public Health and Food Safety) committee of the European Parliament and coordinator for the EFDD political group. @PediciniM5S



Bert Van Caelenberg, Health First Europe – Vice President

Worked as a paramedic at the University Hospital (UZ) in Ghent. From 1974 until 1984 he has been member of the Board of the University Hospital of Ghent. From 1984 until 1988 he has been board member of the University of Ghent. For over 20 years now, he has occupied the position of Secretary General to the European Federation of Employees in Public Services (Eurofedop), located in Brussels.



Stéphane Vandam, World Health Organization - Public Health Officer

He is a physician graduated from the Free University of Brussels with postgraduate training in tropical medicines at the Prince Leopold Institute for Tropical Medicine in Anvers and in public health at the Johns Hopkins University, USA (MPH). He joined the WHO in 1996 where he worked in former Yugoslavia as Special Representative for WHO Regional office for Europe in the Former Republic of Yugoslavia. He was then in charge of humanitarian operations in Kosovo before he joined in 2000 the WHO office at the European Union in Brussels.





Paul Vincke, European Healthcare Fraud and Corruption Network - Managing Director

Director of Staff at the Service of Medical Evaluation and Control of the National Institute for Health and Disability Insurance in Belgium and Managing Director of the European Healthcare Fraud and Corruption Network (EHFCN). Within EHFCN Paul Vincke has been Treasurer and Deputy Director-General since October 2005. He was elected President in 2007 and continued to represent the Network in this function until he was appointed Managing Director of EHFCN on 1 January 2013. @ehfcn15



Mariano Votta, Active Citizenship Network - Director

Director of Active Citizenship Network and Responsible for European Affairs at Cittadinanzattiva. He has more than 10 years of experience in the field of protection of citizens' rights, stakeholder engagement, communication and civic information. His was the idea to encourage and promote the Member of the European Parliament Interest Group "European Patients' Rights & Cross-Border Healthcare" at the European Parliament during 2015. @marianovotta

