





U-Impact! From Citizen Involvement to EU Policy Impact

Improving patients' rights in the age of the Cross Border Healthcare Directive

An European debate and webinar among Institutions, experts, civic & patient organizations, students

Istituto Luigi Sturzo, Sala Rossa - Via delle Coppelle n.35, Roma 10.30 – 15.00 Rome, 4 of March, 2016

10.00 - 10.30 Registration

10.30 - 10.45

Welcome and Introduction by Co-Chairs

Gina Di Liegro, Secretary General Luigi Di Liegro International Foundation, Italy **Mariano Votta**, Director Active Citizenship Network

PART A - The new challenge: the patients' rights in the framework of cross-border healthcare

10.45 - 11.05

Cross Border Healthcare Directive Implementation: an overview

Alceste Santuari, European Association of Health Law - University of Bologna, Italy

11.05 - 11.15

The Respect of Patients' Rights: a civic assessment at EU Level

Daniela Quaggia, Senior Project Manager of Active Citizenship Network

11.15 - 11.25

The role of the EU Institutions to improve patients' rights at EU level

MEP Piernicola Pedicini, Member of Committee on the Environment, Public Health and Food Safety* **MEP Sergio Cofferati**, Member of the Committee on the Internal Market and Consumer Protection*

11.25 - 11.45

Implementation of National Contact Points for cross-border healthcare in EU Member States: a comparative analysis Timo Clemens, Department of International Health, Maastricht University, Netherlands Italian National Contact Point, Ministry of Health (tbc)

11.45 - 12.00

How to decrease the violations of patients' rights at national level

Emete Imge, President Universal Patients' Rights Association (Evrensel Hasta Haklari Dernegi), Cyprus







PART B - Call to action to improve patients' rights on cross-border healthcare

12.00 - 12.15

From concerns to proposals: towards an European Patients Centre Network

Mariano Votta, Director of Active Citizenship Network

12.15 - 13.15

Experts debate on the proposal

Claire Damilano, Senior Legal expert in charge of the Your Europe Advice, European Citizen Action Service, Belgium**
Charlotte Roffiaen, Consultant in European Affairs, CISS-Collectif Interassociatif Sur la Santé, France

Maria-Louisa Busuttil, University of Malta, Malta**

Penka Georgieva, Patients' Organisation "With You", Bulgaria**

Gábor Pogány, Hungarian Patient Forum, president of the Hungarian Federation of People with Rare and Congenital Diseases Network (HUFERDIS), Hungary **

13.15 - 14.00

Networking buffet lunch

PART C – European communication campaign on cross-border healthcare

14.00 - 14.10

Patients' rights have no borders

Sonia Belfiore, Project Manager Active Citizenship Network

14.10 - 14.45

Building alliances and promoting civil partnerships to strengthen the protection of citizens' rights

Gertrude Buttigieg, Malta Health Network, Malta**

Claudia Salvi, Europe Direct, FomezPa, Italy

Androulla Eleftheriou, Thalassaemia International Federation, Cyprus Alliance for Rare Disorders, Cyprus**

Olimpia Troili, President Alternativa Europea, Italy

Aida Barquero, FundaciónCiudadanía, Spain**

Fioralba Profi, Young Leaders, Istituto Luigi Sturzo, Italy

Klotilda Kosta, Director of Programs, Partners Albania, Albania**

14.45 - 15.00

Questions, answers and conclusion

- **on-line participation
- * video message















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