

**10th WORKSHOP ON PARTNERING FOR RARE DISEASE THERAPY DEVELOPMENT  
10 years after the Adoption of the EU Orphan Medicines Regulation: Where do we go to?**

Belgian Federal Parliament - Brussels, Belgium

Monday 26 - Tuesday 27 October 2009

**PRELIMINARY PROGRAMME**

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**MONDAY 26 OCTOBER**

13.00                      **Registration opens**

**OPENING**

14.30                      **10 years of Partnering for rare disease therapy development**  
Alastair Kent, Chair EPPOSI  
HI&RH Princess Astrid of Belgium  
Laurette Onkelinx, Minister for Social Affairs and Public Health

15.30                      **Break**

**SESSION 1 – IMPACT OF THE ECONOMIC CRISIS ON THE FIELD OF RARE DISEASES:  
WHAT IS THE IMPACT ON R&D, DIAGNOSIS AND ACCESS?**

**Sessions Moderators:** Alastair Kent, Chair EPPOSI  
Erik Tambuyzer, Vice Chair EPPOSI

16.00                      **Panel Discussion**  
Terkel Andersen, EURORDIS - Denmark  
Androula Vassiliou, European Commission  
Jo De Cock, INAMI - Belgium  
Willem van Weperen, to-BBB – the Netherlands  
Timothy M. Cox, University of Cambridge (TBC)  
Heinrich Schulte, Hamburg, Germany

17.00                      **Discussion with the audience**

18.00                      **End of Day 1**

19.30                      **Reception and Dinner**

**TUESDAY 27 OCTOBER**

8.00                      **Doors Open**

**SESSION 2 – BUILDING ON THE POLICY BASE OF THE LAST 10 YEARS TO ADVANCE POLICY IN  
THE  
NEXT 5 YEARS**

**Sessions Moderators:** Yann Le Cam, EURORDIS  
Giulia Del Brenna, European Commission (TBC)

- 8.30 **Introduction/Overview**  
Yann Le Cam, EURORDIS
- 8.50 **How to increase the number of Rare disease therapies under Research & Development to cover unmet medical needs?**  
Kerstin Westermark, EMEA  
Ségoène Aymé, Orphanet  
**Panel:**  
Ruxandra Draghia-Akli, European Commission (TBC)  
Pauline Evers, Nederlandse Federatie van Kankerpatientenorganisaties (NFK)  
Discussion with the audience
- 10.00 **Break**
- 10.30 **How to improve the success rate of OD Development between Orphan Drug Designation (ODD) and Marketing Authorisation?**  
Katerina Kubackova, University Hospital of Motol (TBC)  
Jordi Llinares, EMEA, (TBC)  
**Panel:**  
Tim Coté, FDA (TBC)  
Discussion with the audience
- 11.40 **How to provide sustainable access to OMP at national level?**  
Wills Hughes-Wilson, Genzyme  
Andrea Rappagliosi, GlaxoSmithKline  
**Panel:**  
Mattias Neyt, KCE  
Brian O'Mahony, European Haemophilia Consortium  
Discussion with the audience
- 12.50 **Lunch**

### **SESSION 3 – RARE CANCERS**

- Session Moderators:** Paolo Casali, ESMO  
Jean-Jacques Cassiman, ESHG
- 14.00 **Introduction**  
Dominique Maraninchi, Institut National du Cancer – France (TBC)  
Jean-Jacques Cassiman, ESHG
- 14.10 **How to address the needs of Patients with rare cancers? – Commonalities and differences with rare diseases.**  
Paolo Casali, European Society for Medical Oncology  
Kerstin Westermark, EMEA/COMP  
Sandy Craine, CML Advocates Networ  
Markus Wartenberg, Das Lebenshaus  
Industry representative (TBI)
- 14.35 **Questions and Answers**
- 14.45 **Methodology, Clinical research and therapy development**  
Jean-Yves Blay, Conticanet  
Jan Lilliearmark, Swedish Medicines Agency  
Jan Geissler, ECPC  
Industry representative (TBI)
- 15.10 **Questions and Answers**
- 15.20 **Break**
- 15.50 **Access (to information, timely and correct diagnosis, therapies including centres of excellence/HTA/reimbursement/multidisciplinary teams, patient mobility, etc)**  
David Levy, Sheffield Teaching Hospitals  
Alberto Costa, European School of Oncology (TBC)  
Kathy Oliver, International Brain Tumour Alliance  
Industry representative (TBI)  
Nick Fahy –European Commission (TBC)
- 16.15 **Questions and Answers**

16.25                    **Discussion with the audience**  
*Where are we? What have we achieved on the RT conference recommendations? What should we jointly do as next actions?*

**Chairs:**                    Paolo Casali, European Society for Medical Oncology (ESMO)  
Jean-Jacques Cassiman, ESHG

## **CLOSING SESSION**

17.00                    **Conclusions and Next Steps**  
Alastair Kent, Chair EPPOSI  
Erik Tambuyzer, Vice Chair EPPOSI

17.20                    **End of the Workshop**

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