





# ACT EU multi-stakeholder platform annual meeting

22 October 2024, 09:30 – 17:00 (CET/CEST) **Hybrid meeting / EMA, Amsterdam, Room 1D** 

The success of clinical trials relies on a wide range of stakeholders and regular dialogue between all parties can help to identify and advance clinical trial methods, technology and science, as well as remove barriers. To promote collaboration across different stakeholder groups for the improvement of clinical trials in the EU, the EC-HMA-EMA initiative, Accelerating Clinical Trials in the EU (ACT EU), has established a multi-stakeholder platform (MSP). In addition, with the recent establishment of the MSP Advisory Group (MSP AG), the work of ACT EU will be continuously informed by stakeholder views knowledge and activities in the field of clinical research.

The constant engagement with key stakeholder groups aims to accelerate the improvement of the clinical trials environment in the EU by streamlining processes and reducing administrative burden and complexity.

The MSP annual meeting aims to:

- Review the key achievements of ACT EU since its inception and their impact on clinical research.
- Discuss the current clinical trials landscape, including key initiatives, and the stakeholder needs for an improved environment.

•	Look to the future to visualise what success looks like for different stakeholder groups and identify
	quick wins that could drive rapid change.

This workshop is open to all stakeholders through the broadcast link.

## ACT EU multi-stakeholder platform annual meeting agenda

Chaired by Maria Jesús Lamas Díaz (HMA/AEMPS) and Denis Lacombe (EORTC)

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## 09:30 Joining and technical checks

09:30	Welcome and opening speech	
	Co-chairs welcome and opening of the meeting	5′
	Welcome from the European Medicines Agency Peter Arlett (EMA)	5′
	Opening remarks from the European Commission Sandra Gallina (EC)	5′
	Opening remarks from the Heads of Medicines Agencies  Maria Jesús Lamas Díaz (HMA/AEMPS)	5′
09:50	Session 1: Looking back - Overview of ACT EU delivery to date	
	Moderators: Peter Arlett (EMA) and Marianne Lunzer (AGES MEA, CTCG)	
	ACT EU update: the journey so far  Laura Pioppo (EMA)	10′
	Consolidated advice on clinical trials  Monique Al (CCMO) / Laura Oliveira (EuropaBio)	20′
	New CTIS transparency rules: from policy to reality Christine Dehn (EHN) / Francesca Scotti (EMA)	10′
	The MSP Advisory Group and stakeholders' feedback  Denis Lacombe (EORTC) / Tarec El-Galaly (EHA) / Russell Wheeler (Eurordis) /  Lada Leyens (EFPIA) / Anke Hövels (KWF)	30′
11:00	Coffee break	

## 11:20 Session 2: The current landscape for clinical trials in Europe - ACT EU and beyond

Moderators: Isabelle Clamou (EC) and Stan van Belkum (CCMO)

What do the numbers tell us?

Linda Abdelall (EC) / Katarina Nedog (EFPIA)

15'

**Exploring the dynamics of partner collaboration with ACT EU**Ana Zanoletty (EMA)

• CTR Collaborate and CTCG action on patient involvement

Marianne Lunzer (CTCG) / Monique Al (CTCG)

15'

• Clinical Trials Coordination and Advisory Group and MedEthicsEU

Linda Abdelall (EC) / Monique Al (MedEthicsEU)

• COMBINE programme

Isabelle Clamou (EC) / Olga Tkachenko (EC)

Panel and audience discussion 40'

Leona Fitzgerald (ACRO) Nikos Dedes (EATG) Dario Trapani (ESMO) Jacques Demotes (ECRIN)

Nathalie Seigneuret (IHI)

#### 13:10 Lunch

## 14:10 Session 3: A brighter future for clinical trials in the EU: continuing the journey

Moderators: Martin O'Kane (EFPIA) and Anton Ussi (EATRIS)

The EU's Political Drive for Clinical Trials

Elmar Nimmesgern (EC) / Isabelle Clamou (EC)

Addressing stakeholder challenges - what's next?

10'

Marianne Lunzer (CTCG)

Anke Hövels (KWF) Seán Byrne (EUCOPE) Juan Ventura (CPE) Martin Kaiser (EHA)

Panel and audience discussion

Donato Bonifazi (TEDDY)

WHO global guidance for more effective and equitable clinical trials

10'
Vasee Moorthy (WHO)

Q&A 10'

40'

### 15:50 Session 3: A brighter future for clinical trials in the EU Moderators: Amelia Hursey (Parkinson's Europe) and Tarec El-Galaly (EHA) Successfully embedding clinical research as part of healthcare 10' Josep Tabernero (Vall d'Hebron hospital) Panel and audience discussion 40' Mirjam Crul (ESOP) Anke Hövels (KWF) Maren Koban (EuropaBio) Juan Ventura (CPE) Eduard Ward van Beers (UMC Utrecht) 10' From the theory to the practice, how will we measure success? Jacobus van Wyk (EMA) 16:50 **Closing remarks** 10' Wrap up

Maria Jesús Lamas Díaz (HMA/AEMPS) / Denis Lacombe (EORTC)

#### List of moderators, panellist and speakers

**Ana Zanoletty** Head of Clinical Trials Transformation workstream, European Medicines

Agency (EMA)

Anke Hövels Lead Pharmaceutical development, The Dutch Cancer Society (KWF)

Amelia Hursey Research Manager at Parkinson's Europe

**Anton Ussi** Operations & Finance Director, European infrastructure for translational

medicine (EATRIS)

**Christine Dehn** Manager Patient Representation & EU Affairs, German Heart Foundation

PCWP, European Heart Network (EHN)

**Denis Lacombe** Chief Executive Officer, European Organisation for Research and

Treatment of Cancer (EORTC), stakeholder co-chair of Multi-stakeholder

Advisory Group (MSP AG)

**Dario Trapani** Medical oncologist at the European Institute of Oncology (IRCCS),

Assistant Professor at the Department of Oncology and Haemato-Oncology of the University of Milan, member of European Society for

Medical Oncology (ESMO)

**Donato Bonifazi** Chief Executive Officer of Consortium for Biological and Pharmacological

Evaluations (CVBF), representative of European Network of Excellence for

Paediatric Research (TEDDY)

Eduard Ward van Beers Hematologist Internist at UMC Utrecht

**Elmar Nimmesgern** Policy Officer at European Commission (EC) – Directorate General for

Research and Innovation (DG RTD)

Francesca Scotti CTIS Transparency Lead, European Medicines Agency (EMA)

**Isabelle Clamou** Policy Officer at European Commission (EC) – Directorate General for

Health and Food Safety (DG SANTE)

Jacobus van Wyk Co-lead on data analytics strategy, European Medicines Agency (EMA)

**Jacques Demotes** Director general of the European Clinical Research Infrastructure Network

(ECRIN)

**Josep Tabarnero** Head of the Medical Oncology Department at the Vall d'Hebron University

Hospital

**Juan Ventura** Research and Patient Engagement Director at Cancer Patients

Europe (CPE)

**Katarina Nedog** Associate Director, Science Policy & Regulatory Affairs at European

Federation of Pharmaceutical Industries and Associations (EFPIA)

Lada Leyens Senior Director at Takeda, representative of European Federation of

Pharmaceutical Industries and Associations (EFPIA)

Laura Oliveira Senior Director for Global Regulatory Policy and Regional Lead Europe at

MSD, representative of EuropaBio

**Laura Pioppo** ACT EU Programme Manager, European Medicines Agency (EMA)

Linda Abdelall Policy Officer at European Commission (EC) – Directorate General for

Health and Food Safety (DG SANTE)

**Leona Fitzgerald** Executive Director Regulatory Affairs at PPD, representative of Association

of Clinical Research Organizations (ACRO)

Maren Koban Director, Global Regulatory and Scientific Policy at Merck, representative

of EuropaBio

Maria Jesús Lamas Díaz Executive Director, Spanish Agency of Medicines and Medical Products

(AEMPS), Heads of Medicines Agencies (HMA), regulatory co-chair of

Multi-stakeholder Advisory Group (MSP AG)

Marianne Lunzer PV und CT Safety Assessor at Austrian Medicines and Medical Devices

Agency (AGES MEA) and Chair of Clinical Trials Coordination Group

(CTCG)

Martin Kaiser Reader in Molecular Haematology and Consultant Haemato-Oncologist,

Institute of Cancer Research & Royal Marsden Hospital, member of The

European Haematology Association (EHA)

Martin O'Kane Regional Head RA EU Policy & Liasion at Novartis, representative of

European Federation of Pharmaceutical Industries and Associations

(EFPIA)

Mirjam Crul Physician, Clinical pharmacology and pharmacy at Amsterdam University

Medical Center, representing European Society of Oncology

Pharmacy(ESOP)

Monique Al Coordinating/special advisor at Dutch Central Committee on Research

Involving Human Subjects (CCMO), vice-chair Clinical Trials Coordination Group (CTCG), CTCG ethics advisory group, co-chair of MedtEthicsEU

Nathalie Seigneuret Senior Scientific Project Manager at Innovative Health Initiative (IHI)

Nikos Dedes Chair of the Greek Patients' Association, chair of Positive Voice,

representative of European AIDS Treatment Group (EATG)

Olga Tkachenko Policy Officer at European Commission (EC) – Directorate General for

Health and Food Safety (DG SANTE)

Peter Arlett Head of Data Analytics and Methods Task Force, European Medicines

Agency (EMA)

**Russell Wheeler** Patient advocate at Rare Diseases Europe (Eurordis)

Sandra Gallina Director-General, Directorate-General Health and Food Safety (Sante) at

the European Commission (EC)

**Seán Byrne** Senior Manager for Legal & Regulatory Affairs at European Confederation

of Pharmaceutical Entrepreneurs (EUCOPE)

**Stan van Belkum** Director of the Central Committee on Research Involving Human Subjects

(CCMO)

Tarec El-Galaly Clinical professor and consultant haematologist, Aarhus University

Hospital and Aarhus University, member of The European Haematology

Association (EHA)

Vasee Moorthy Senior Advisor, R&D, World Health Organisation (WHO)