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Patient Health Protection

Agenda – Public workshop: Best expertise vs conflicts of interests: Striking the right balance

6 September 2013 (10.30-16.00), room 2A

The aim of the workshop is to elicit the views from various stakeholders on how to achieve the right balance between ensuring the impartiality and independence of experts involved in the Agency's work, versus the need to secure the best-possible scientific expertise to continually deliver high-quality scientific assessments. Feedback from stakeholders will help to define and analyse the extent of the challenge, and will assist the EMA to find the most appropriate solutions to address this.

Item	Agenda	Speaker	Time
	Registration, tea and coffee		10:00
1.	Welcome – setting the scene: <ul style="list-style-type: none">Executive Director, European Medicines Agency (EMA)	Guido Rasi	10:30
2.	Introductory statements: <ul style="list-style-type: none">Chair, Committee on the Environment, Public Health and Food Safety, European ParliamentChief Scientific Adviser to the President, European Commission	Matthias Groote Anne Glover	10.40 10:50
3.	Introduction of Programme for the day: <ul style="list-style-type: none">Former Executive Director of the EMA	Moderator: Fernand Sauer	11:00
4.	Panel introductions by the moderator	Fernand Sauer	11:05
5.	Panel discussion with contributions from <ul style="list-style-type: none">Academia (human medicines) representative:		11:10



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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Chair, Drug Commission of the German Medical Association • Academia (veterinary medicines) representative: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Head of Small Animal Medicine, University College Dublin School of Small Animal Medicine • Committee representatives: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Chair, Paediatric Committee – Chair, Committee for Medicinal Products for Veterinary Use • Scientific Advisory Group (SAG) representative: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Chair, Neurology SAG • Patient representative: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – President, Association of People Living with HIV in Greece; former Chair of the European AIDS Treatment Group • Pharmaceutical industry representative: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Director-General, European Federation of Pharmaceutical Industries and Associations • NGOs representative: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Researcher, Corporate Europe Observatory • Drug bulletin representative: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Editor, Prescrire; President, Association Mieux Prescrire 	<p>Wolf-Dieter Ludwig</p> <p>Rory Breathnach</p> <p>Daniel Brasseur</p> <p>Anja Holm</p> <p>Serge Bakchine</p> <p>Nikos Dedes</p> <p>Richard Bergström</p> <p>Martin Pigeon</p> <p>Pierre Chirac</p>	
6.	Questions addressed by the moderator to the panel	Fernand Sauer	12:15
	LUNCH BREAK		13:00
7.	Discussion	All	14:00
8.	Conclusions from the meeting <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Head, Patient Health Protection (EMA) 	Noël Wathion	15:30
9.	Closing statement and goodbye	Guido Rasi	15:50