

High-level Conference on Medical Devices: *Innovation and Patient Safety*

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*Charlemagne building, 170 Rue De La Loi, 1049 Brussels
"Alcide De Gasperi" room (2nd floor)*

09:00 – 10:00	REGISTRATION AND WELCOME COFFEE <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Charlemagne, 2nd floor
10:00 – 10:15	KEYNOTE ADDRESS Olivér Várhelyi , European Commissioner for Health and Animal Welfare <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Charlemagne building, Alcide de Gasperi, 2nd floor
10:15 – 10:45	SCENE SETTER Rainer Becker , DG SANTE D Director, Medical products and innovation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Charlemagne building, Alcide de Gasperi, 2nd floor
10:45 – 11:00	TRANSFER TO THE BREAKOUT SESSIONS ROOMS
11:00 – 12:30	BREAKOUT SESSIONS FROM LAB TO PATIENTS <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Charlemagne building, Alcide de Gasperi room, 2nd floor, Jenkins & Mansholt rooms, ground floor <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Enhanced predictability for conformity assessments: combining certainty with flexibility Clinical evidence at EU level to support the regulatory framework: the key role of Expert Panels Breakthrough technologies for better care: turning guidance into reality
12:30 – 14:00	NETWORKING LUNCH EXPLORE THE EUDAMED HUB <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Charlemagne building, 2nd floor








14:00 – 14:45	COLLECTIVE REFLECTION: <i>reporting back from the breakout dialogues</i> <i>Breakout sessions rapporteurs, moderator, all participants</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Charlemagne building, Alcide de Gasperi room, 2nd floor
14:45 – 15:30	VOICES FROM THE FIELD: <i>how innovation can improve patient safety</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Charlemagne building, Alcide de Gasperi room, 2nd floor
15:30 – 16:00	COFFEE BREAK <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Charlemagne building, 2nd floor
16:00 – 16:30	FIRESIDE CHAT – <i>State of play: MDR/IVDR reform</i> Council Presidency Minister of Health, European Parliament representative, Moderator – Ms Tamsin Rose <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Charlemagne building, Alcide de Gasperi room, 2nd floor
16:30 – 17:00	CLOSING ADDRESS Sandra Gallina , DG SANTE Director-General <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Charlemagne building, Alcide de Gasperi room, 2nd floor
17:00 – 18:30	NETWORKING COCKTAIL <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Charlemagne building, 2nd floor