INTEREST GROUP ON RHEUMATIC AND MUSCULOSKELETAL DISEASES (RMDs)

Improving access to medicines for European citizens

European Parliament (Room A5G 305)
11 October 2017, 15:00 – 17:00

Agenda

Host: Dr Soledad Cabezón Ruiz, MEP and Vice-Chair of the Interest Group

Welcome and introduction
Sören Haar, Head of EULAR Brussels office

Presentations
Barriers to access to medicines for people with RMDs
Neil Betteridge, Liaison officer Public Affairs, EULAR

Potential for Member State collaboration on pharmaceutical procurement
Jo De Cock, Administrator-General, National Institute for Health and Disability Insurance (INAMI-RIZIV)

Pharmaceutical industry perspective on access to medicines
Elizabeth Kuiper, Executive Director Public Affairs, European Federation of Pharmaceutical Industries and Associations (EFPIA)

The role of generic and bio-similars medicines in improving access to medicines
Adrian Van Den Hoven, Director General, Medicines for Europe

What should the EU do to improve access to medicines for citizens?
José Inácio Faria, MEP

Panel discussion with speakers and participants
Karin Kadenbach, MEP and Member of the Interest Group