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**EP Interest Group on Rheumatic and Musculoskeletal Diseases
Meeting IG-8-20/03/2012
DRAFT AGENDA**

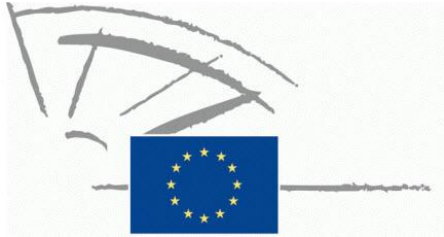
**Towards an EU strategy on chronic diseases: a follow-up of the Council
Conclusions on chronic diseases**

European Parliament, Altiero Spinelli Building (Brussels), room A8F388

From 12:00 to 14:00h

TIMING	DESCRIPTION	SPEAKER
12:00-12:15	Coffee / Lunch	
12:15-12:25	Welcome and introduction	MS EDITE ESTRELA , MEP (Portugal, S&D), Chair of the Interest Group
12:25-12:40	The Commission's reflection process on chronic diseases	MR MICHAEL HUEBEL , Head of Unit C4 (Health Determinants), DG SANCO, European Commission
12:40-12:55	Danish Presidency's priorities in the fight against chronic diseases	MR KORE GEIL (TBC) , Health Counsellor, Permanent Representation of Denmark to the EU
12:55-13:10	The reflections process on chronic diseases in the current EU debate	MS BIRGIT BEGER , Secretary-General Standing Committee of European Doctors (CPME)
13:10-13:25	RMDs in the chronic diseases reflection process	PROF MAXIME DOUGADOS , President European League Against Rheumatism (EULAR)
13:25-13:30	Comments	PROF ANTHONY WOOLF EUMUSC.NET, Bone & Joint Decade





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TIMING	DESCRIPTION	SPEAKER
13:30-13:55	Discussion with participants	Ms ANTONYIA PARVANOVA (TBC), MEP (Bulgaria, ALDE), Vice Chair of the Interest Group
13:55-14:00	Closing remarks	Ms EDITE ESTRELA, MEP (Portugal, S&D), Chair of the Interest Group

