

AGENDA

Strategic Autonomy And Competitiveness Of The EU Medtech Sector

The Role of Biomedical Engineering In Strengthening Europe's Leadership

Tuesday 25 March, 09:00 – 11:00 CEST

**European Parliament, 60 Rue Wiertz,
Room SPAAK 4B1 and Online**

Hosted by MEP Nicolás González Casares (S&D, Spain)

Co-Hosted by MEP Laurent Castillo (EPP, France)

5' **Introductory Remarks:**

- *Laurent Castillo, Member of the European Parliament (EPP, France)*

55'

Setting the Scene: Regulatory Challenges and Opportunities to Foster Medtech Innovation

Moderated by Prof. Jari Hyttinen

Biomedical Engineering: Past, Present and Future Opportunities and Challenges

- *Prof. Leandro Pecchia, Past President of the European Alliance for Biomedical Engineering and Science (EAMBES)*

The impact of the Medical Devices regulatory framework on fostering innovation: What's to be expected on the annual evaluation and fitness checks?

- *Mario Gabrielli-Cossellu, Legal and Policy Officer, DG SANTE, European Commission*
- *András Tivadar Kulja, Member of the European Parliament (EPP, Hungary)*

The EHDS and AI Act Implementation: Leveraging Big Data for Competitive Advantage in Healthcare

- *Yiannos Toliás, Legal Lead on AI and AI Liability in Healthcare & European Health Data Space (EHDS) Team, DG Sante, European Commission*

Transforming routine healthcare delivery and crisis preparedness:

The role of Medical Devices

- *Prof. Eleni Kaldoudi, President of the European Alliance for Biomedical Engineering and Science (EAMBES)*
- *Carlos João, Programme Manager, DG HERA, European Commission*

20'

Panel Discussion: The Role of Biomedical Engineering in Strengthening MedTech Innovation, Sustainability and Competitiveness

Moderated by Prof. Leandro Pecchia

- *Sigrid Linher, Director Sustainability and Environment, MedTech Europe*
- *Spyridon Zorbas, President, Greek Caregivers Network EPIONI (online)*

10'

Global Health Preparedness: How can the European R&D Ecosystem Support the Work of WHO?

- *Dr. April Baller, Infection Prevention and Control (IPC) & WASH Team Lead at the Health Emergencies Programme, World Health Organisation (online)*
- *Dr. Madison Moon, Healthcare Epidemiologist, World Health Organisation (online)*

20'

Discussion

10'

Closing Remarks - MEP

- *Nicolás González Casares, Member of the European Parliament (S&D, Spain)*
- *Prof. Giuseppe Fico, President-Elect of the European Alliance for Biomedical Engineering and Science (EAMBES)*