CAM Conference Programme

“Complementary and Alternative Medicine – Innovation and Added Value for European Healthcare”

9 October 2012

European Parliament, Brussels, Room P7C050

Morning session, 9.00 to 12.00
Networking lunch, press conference, exhibition, 12.30 to 14.30 (JAN 3, Zone Q “Mezzanine”)
Afternoon session, 15.00 to 18.00

08:30 – 09:00 Registration and welcome coffee

Morning session

Moderator: Harald Walach, Professor of Research Methodology and Complementary Medicine, European University Viadrina, Frankfurt/Oder, Germany

09:00 – 09:30 Welcome and Opening
- Sirpa Pietikäinen MEP (EPP, Finland)
- John Dalli, European Commissioner for Health and Consumer Policy (confirmed, video message)
- Enid Segall, patient

09:30 – 10:30 Value of Complementary and Alternative Medicine for European patients and population
- Complementary and Alternative Medicine and innovative healthcare, Andrew Long, Professor of Health Systems Research, University of Leeds, United Kingdom
- Patients’ motivations for and use of CAM, Helle Johannessen, Professor of Social Studies in Health and Medicine, Institute of Public Health, Faculty of Health Sciences, University of Southern Denmark, Denmark
- Discussion

10:30 – 10:45 Break
10:45 – 12:00 Value of Complementary and Alternative Medicine for European health systems
  - Evidence-base and effectiveness of Complementary and Alternative Medicine, Gustav Dobos, Professor of Internal Medicine, Chair of Complementary and Integrative Medicine, University of Duisburg-Essen, Germany
  - Costs and cost-effectiveness of Complementary and Alternative Medicine, Claudia Witt, Professor of Medicine, Institute of Social Medicine, Epidemiology, and Health Economics, Charité University, Berlin, Germany
  - Discussion

12:30 – 14.30 Networking lunch and opening of the exhibition space, welcoming words by Elena Oana Antonescu MEP (EPP, Romania)

Afternoon session

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15:00 – 16:00 Value of Complementary and Alternative Medicine for EU health policies and programmes
  - Complementary and Alternative Medicine in health promotion and disease prevention, Simona Dragan, Professor of Preventive Cardiology and Rehabilitation, Victor Babes University of Medicine and Pharmacy, Timisoara, Romania
  - Complementary and Alternative Medicine and chronic disease management, Erik Baars, Professor of Anthroposophic Healthcare, University of Applied Sciences, Leiden, the Netherlands
  - Complementary and Alternative Medicine for innovative partnerships, Dominik Irnich, Head of Multidisciplinary Pain Centre, Department of Anaesthesiology, University of Munich, Germany
  - Discussion

16:00 – 16:15 Break

16:15 – 17:00 The way forward to innovative healthcare using Complementary and Alternative Medicine
  - Innovative use of Complementary and Alternative Medicine in healthcare and public health systems, Torkel Falkenberg, Associate Professor of Health Care Research, Research Constellation Leader - Integrative Health Care, Karolinska Institute, and Director, I C – The Integrative Care Science Center, Sweden.
  - European Parliament’s perspective on Complementary and Alternative Medicine, Alojz Peterle MEP (EPP, Slovenia)
  - Next steps for CAM - challenges and opportunities, Monika Kosinska, Secretary General, EPHA
  - Discussion
17:00 – 18:00 Closing session

- The CAMbrella project – status and potential impact, Wolfgang Weidenhammer, CAMbrella project leader, Centre for Complementary Medicine Research at the University Hospital ‘Rechts der Isar’ of the Technical University of Munich, Germany

- Complementary and Alternative Medicine in European healthcare – recommendations from the day, Harald Walach

- Closing and conclusions, Elena Oana Antonescu MEP (EPP, Romania)

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