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How to get healthcare biotech from lab to clinic, for a healthier, wealthier Europe

Policy Roundtable, 9 October 2014, European Parliament

Keynote: Anne Glover, Chief Scientific Advisor to the President, European Commission
Hosted by Jacqueline Kay Swinburne, Member, European Parliament

Translating medical discoveries into patient care is a difficult task everywhere – but there are several obstacles to success in Europe. This roundtable discussion, bringing together leaders in European research, industry and policy for healthcare, will identify some of the key problems – and discuss solutions relevant to the new Parliament and Commission. At stake is the health of millions of Europeans who will be needing new treatments, and an industry on which thousands of jobs rely.

12:00  Doors open, registration & networking lunch

13:00  Welcome: Jacqueline Kay Swinburne, MEP and Philippe de Backer, MEP
Richard Hudson, CEO and Editor, Science|Business

13:10  Keynote and Q&A: Anne Glover, Chief Scientific Advisor to the President, European Commission

Key Discussants:
• Anne Glover, Chief Scientific Advisor to the President, European Commission
• Maria Pilar Aguarr Fernandez, Head of Unit Chemical Assessment and Testing, Joint Research Centre, European Commission
• Sylvie Bove, Head of Life Sciences, Medicon Valley
• Johan Wallin, Project Leader, Innovation for Healthy Living and Active Ageing, Karolinska Institutet

14:40  Coffee

15:00  Case study: Thomas Saylor, CEO, Arecor – From one revolutionary technology to partner of the world’s largest pharmaceutical and biotech companies

15:15  The Healthcare Biotech Value Chain: Downstream – How best to reach the patients?
Key Discussants:
• Jacqueline Kay Swinburne, Member, European Parliament
• Emmanuel Chantelot, Chair of EuropaBio Healthcare Council
• Bernd Reichert, Head of Unit, European Agency for Small and Medium Enterprises, European Commission
• John Davis, Head of Division, Life Sciences and Health, European Investment Bank
• Alastair Kent, Genetic Alliance UK

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