

Agenda

Healthy populations, resilient systems, stronger economies:

The case for EU leadership on respiratory immunisation

NETWORKING COFFEE



Welcoming & networking
Room 5E2, Spinelli Building
European Parliament, Brussels

10:00–10:30 CET

MAIN PROGRAMME

Event

10:30–12:00 CET

Welcome

Opening, launch of the #EURespiDay campaign

Sarah-Taïssir Bencharif — *Physician and freelance health reporter*

10:30–10:35

Opening Remarks by MEP: Investing in Prevention

The value of Immunisation for social and economic resilience

MEP Aurelijus Veryga — *Member of the European Parliament (MEP), ECR Group, Lithuania*

10:35–10:40

Keynote Address: From Manifesto to Action

Steering Group priorities for the upcoming Council Recommendation on vaccination against respiratory infections as a preventive measure for cardiovascular diseases'

Prof. Colin Russell — *Co-Chair of the Steering Group on Prevention of Respiratory Infections*

10:40–10:45

Institutional Panel: Policy solutions for respiratory infection prevention

Unlocking the potential of EU action to drive investment and improve immunisation coverage

- **Melanie Carr** — *Deputy Executive Director and Head of Stakeholders and Communication, European Medicines Agency (EMA)*

- **MEP Aurelijus Veryga** — *MEP, ECR Group, Lithuania*

- **Dr. Gábor Belák** — *Policy Officer, Directorate-General for Health & Food Safety, European Commission*

- **Dr. Nathalie Nicolay** — *Principal Expert in Vaccine-Preventable Diseases, European Centre for Disease Prevention and Control (ECDC)*

10:45–11:15

Panel: From EU Policy to People

What action on immunisation against respiratory infections must deliver

- **PATIENT ANGLE** | **Karen Maria Vande Castele** — *volunteer with Astma-en-Allergiekoepel*

- **EXPERT ANGLE** | **Prof. Tomas Lapinskas** — *President of the Lithuanian Society of Cardiology*

- **NATIONAL ANGLE** | **MEP Aurelijus Veryga** — *MEP and former Health Minister of Lithuania*

11:15–11:40

Q&A

Open discussion with speakers and audience

11:40–11:55

Event Closing

Sarah-Taïssir Bencharif — *Moderator*

11:55–12:00