





VITAMIN D NUTRITIONAL POLICY IN EUROPE

The Need for Prevention, Education & Consumer Choice

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Under the patronage of Mr János Áder, MEP

23rd March 2010, 9.00 - 12.30 hours, European Parliament Room Jòzsef Antall 6Q1

Preliminary Programme

8.30 – 9.00: Registration and Coffee

9.00 – 9.15: Opening remarks by János Áder^{*}, MEP – Member of the Committee on the Environment, Public Health and Food Safety

9.15 – 9.45: 1st Session: Introductions by the Co-Chairs

The role of the doctor in prevention - Dr. Konstanty Radziwill*, President of the Standing Committee of European Doctors (CPME), Family Medicine Specialist

The importance of science - Prof. Roger Bouillon*, Catholic University of Leuven, Organiser of the Vitamin D Workshop

9.45 – 10.45: 2nd Session: Prevention – the Case for Vitamin D

Keynote Presentation:

Prof. Arie Nieuwenhuijzen Kruseman*, Chairman of the Dutch Medical Association – Koninklijke Nederlandsche Maatschappij tot bevordering der Geneeskunst (KNMG) *The CPME Policy Paper and the Role of Doctors*

Respondents:

Prof. Ferenc Szalay*, 1st Dept. of Medicine, Semmelweis University, Budapest, Hungary

Dr James Reilly TD, Shadow Minister for Health & Children, Ireland

Dr Werner Faché, MD, Linus Pauling Prevention Clinic, Gent, Belgium

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10.45 – 11.45: 3rd Session: Raising Awareness, Societal Education & Enabling Consumer Choice

<u>Keynote Presentation:</u> Prof. Heike Bischoff-Ferrari* (University Zurich) Availability of Vitamin D for Consumers and Patients

Respondents:

Jim Higgins*, MEP – Co-Chair of the cross-party, pan-European Interest Group on Rheumatic and Musculoskeletal Diseases

Prof. Moira O'Brien*, Irish Osteoporosis Society

Representative of the European League Against Rheumatism (EULAR)

Árpád Gógl, Former Hungarian Minister of Health, MP, Fidesz Party, Hungary

11.45 -12.15: Open Q&A session chaired by Dr. Werner Christie, PA International Foundation and former Health Minister of Norway

12.15 – 12.30: Closing remarks by Dr. Anja Weisgerber*, MEP – Co-Chair of the European Parliament Osteoporosis Interest Group