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HIGH LEVEL CONFERENCE ON GREEK REFORMS IN THE HEALTH SECTOR: IMPROVING CITIZENS' HEALTH

ATHENS, 12-13 DECEMBER 2013
ATHENS CONCERT HALL "MEGARON"

TENTATIVE PROGRAMME

DAY 1: DECEMBER 12 (PARTICIPATION UPON INVITATION)

11.30-12.30 PRESS BRIEFING

12.30-13.30 REGISTRATION AND LIGHT LUNCH BUFFET

13.30-14.00 OPENING: HIS BEATITUDE HIERONYMOS II, ARCHBISHOP OF ATHENS AND ALL GREECE AND PRIMATE OF THE AUTOCEPHALOUS ORTHODOX CHURCH OF GREECE

OPENING REMARKS

MR. ANTONIS SAMARAS, Prime Minister of the Hellenic Republic

FOCUS: HIGH LEVEL DIALOGUE ON AN INTEGRATED STRATEGY OF THE HEALTH SYSTEM POLICY REFORMS IN GREECE

WELCOME REMARKS: MR. EVANGELOS VENIZELOS, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Foreign Affairs

CHAIR: MR. ADONIS GEORGIADIS, Greek Minister of Health

OPENING REMARKS: MS. OLGA KEFALOGIANNI, Greek Minister of Tourism

MODERATOR: JOURNALIST (TBA)

14.00-16.00 REFORMING THE HEALTH SYSTEMS IN EUROPE IN THE CONTEXT OF THE FINANCIAL CRISIS

KEYNOTE SPEAKERS:

MR. TONIO BORG, European Commissioner for Health

MR. WOLFGANG DOLD, Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Germany

MR. THOMAS ILKA, State Secretary of the Federal Ministry of Health of Germany

MR. HORST REICHENBACH, Head of Task Force for Greece, European Commission

MS. ZSUZSANNA JAKAB, Regional Director for Europe of the World Health Organization

PANELISTS:

DR. PETROS PETRIDES, Minister of Health of Cyprus

DR. PAULO MOITA DE MACEDO, Minister of Health of Portugal

DR ILDIKÓ KISSNÉ HORVÁTH, Head, Health Policy Department, Ministry of Human Resources, Hungary
MR BASTIAAN VAN DEN BERG, Senior Policy Adviser International of the Ministry of Health, Welfare and Sport of the Netherlands

MS MEREL BAAS-VAN VLOTEN, Deputy Director International Affairs Institution, Ministry of Health, Welfare and Sport of Netherlands

MR NICLAS JACOBSON, Director of the EU and International Affairs Institution, Ministry of Health and Social Affairs of Sweden

**16.00-18.00 MULTIDIMENSIONAL CHALLENGES REQUIRE A MULTIDIMENSIONAL RESPONSE:
A BRIEF OVERVIEW OF THE CHALLENGES OF THE GREEK HEALTH SYSTEM**

CHAIR: MR. ADONIS GEORGIADIS, Greek Minister of Health

MODERATOR: JOURNALIST (TBA)

KEYNOTE SPEAKERS: Greek Deputy Ministers of Health
MS. ZETTA MAKRI and **MR. ANTONIS BEZAS**

PANELISTS:

MR. DIMITRIS VARTZOPOULOS, Secretary General for Coordination at the Prime Minister's Office

MR. KYRIAKOS MITSOTAKIS, Greek Minister of Administrative Reform and E-Governance

MR. CHRISTOS STAIKOURAS, Alternate Minister of Finance

MR. ANDREAS LYKOURENTZOS, Former Greek Minister of Health, Member of Parliament

PROFESSOR NIGEL EDWARDS, Senior Fellow, Kings Fund

DR. CRISTOPH BEIER, Vice Chair of the Management Board, Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) GmbH

DR. HENRI DE RIDDER, Director General, National Institute for Health and Disability Insurance (INAMI)

MR. CHRISTOS DERVENIS, Head, Department of Surgery, G.N. Agia Olga, President of Institute for Strategic and Development Studies (ISTAME)

VISION STATEMENT: MR. ADONIS GEORGIADIS, Greek Minister of Health

DAY 2: DECEMBER 13

08.00-09.00 REGISTRATION AND LIGHT LUNCH BUFFET

FOCUS 1: HEALTH POLICY 2013-2020: SETTING UP A NEW BASIS FOR A CITIZENS' ORIENTED & SUSTAINABLE HEALTH SYSTEM

09.00-11.00 PLENARY SESSION

CHAIR: **MS. CHRISTINA PAPANIKOLAOU**, Secretary General for Public Health, Greece

KEYNOTE SPEAKERS:

MR. PELOPIDAS KALLIRIS, Secretary General for Health, Greece

DR. HANS KLUGE, WHO Europe Director, Division of Health Systems and Public Health and Special Representative of the Regional Director on M/XDR-TB

PANELISTS:

- **ENSURING UNIVERSAL ACCESS BY DEVELOPING A HEALTH SAFETY NET**
DR. PAVLOS THEODORAKIS, Senior Health Policy Advisor, Focal point for the Health Reform Support Programme 2013-2015, President of Attica Mental Health Hospital
MR. PETER-PAUL BORG, Unit D2 - Healthcare Systems, Directorate-General for Health and Consumers, European Commission

- **IMPROVING THE FINANCIAL SUSTAINABILITY OF THE HEALTH SYSTEM**
MR. DIMITRIS KONTOS, President of the National Organisation for the Provision of Health Services
MR. UDO SCHOLTEN, Deputy Director General European and International Health Policy, Federal Ministry of Health, Germany

- **MONITORING THE IMPACT OF THE CRISIS IN THE HEALTH SECTOR**
DR. BABIS ECONOMOU, Associate Professor of Health Policy, Panteion University
PROFESSOR YANNIS YFANTOPOULOS, Professor of Health Economics, National and Kapodistrian University of Athens

- **INCREASING EFFICIENCY IN ALLOCATION OF RESOURCES**
DR. CHRYSOSTOMOS GOUNARIS, Senior Advisor to the Minister of Health, Health Reform Support Programme 2013-2015 Coordinator, Deputy CEO of Attica Regional Health Authority
DR. SARAH THOMSON, Senior Health Financing Specialist, Division of Health Systems and Public Health, Barcelona Office, WHO

- **REINFORCING MANAGEMENT CAPACITY IN GREECE**
MS. GEORGETTE LALIS, Task Force for Greece, Head of Athens Office, European Commission
PROFESSOR RAFAEL BENGEOA, Health Systems and Policy Senior Advisor, former Minister for Health in Basque Country, SPAIN and Director Health Systems in WHO

FOCUS 2: FROM THEORY TO PRACTICE: IMPLEMENTING THE REFORM ACTION PLANS

PARALLEL SEMINARS

11.00 -13.00

SEMINAR 1: ASSURING QUALITY AND ACCESS IN THE HEALTH SYSTEM

CHAIR: DR FRANZ VON ROENNE, Greece Team Leader, Health Reform Support Programme, GIZ International Services Athens

KEYNOTE SPEAKER: PROFESSOR WIM VAN LERBERGHE, Senior Advisor to WHO Europe on Primary Health Care and Health Systems; Instituto de Higiene e Medicina Tropical, Universidade Nova de Lisboa; Retired Director Health Systems WHO Geneva

PANELISTS:

- **STRENGTHENING THE ROLE OF PATIENTS**
MR. NICK DEDES, President, NGO "Thetiki Foni"
PROFESSOR NICOLAOS KLAMARIS, Department of Law, National and Kapodistrian University of Athens

- **ESTABLISHING CLINICAL GUIDELINES AND PROTOCOLS**
MR. IOANNIS BOLETIS, Professor of Nephrology, Medical School of Athens, National and Kapodistrian University of Athens
MR. TIMO HAIKONEN, CEO of Duodecim
ASSISTANT PROFESSOR OF PSYCHIATRY KONSTANTINOS FOUNTOLAKIS, Chair of the Private Practice Section, of the World Psychiatric Association (WPA)

- **DEVELOPING A PERFORMANCE MEASUREMENT SYSTEM**
MR. MANOS KOUFOPOULOS, Senior Logistics Expert
DR. PASCAL MEEUS, Conseiller, Adviseur, INAMI

SEMINAR 2: ENSURING THE SUSTAINABILITY OF THE HEALTH SYSTEM

CHAIR: MS. AURELIE VANDEPUTTE, Task Force for Greece, European Commission

KEYNOTE SPEAKER: PROFESSOR ELIAS MOSSIALOS, Director WHO Europe Collaborating Center on Health Systems, Professor of Health Policy, London School of Economics

PANELISTS:

- **DEFINING AND RATIONALIZING DIFFERENT SOURCES OF REVENUES**
DR. JOSEP FIGUERAS, Director, European Observatory on Health Systems and Policies, WHO Europe, Brussels
EMERITUS PROFESSOR LYKOURGOS LIAROPOULOS, Nursing Department, National and Kapodistrian University of Athens
ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR MICHALIS CHLETSOS, University of Ioannina
MR. THEODOROS KOMATAS, General Director for Financial Services, Ministry of Health

- **DEVELOPING A NEW SYSTEM ON PRICING & REIMBURSEMENT OF PHARMACEUTICALS**
MR. VASSILIS KONTOZAMANIS, Chief Executive of Attica Regional Health Authority
PROFESSOR DAVID TAYLOR, School of Pharmacy, University College London
- **UTILIZING THE STRUCTURAL FUNDS 2014- 2020**
MR. GEORGE ZERVOS, Head of Managing Authority, Ministry of Health
DR. MIHÁLY KÖKÉNY, former Minister of Health Hungary, Health Policy Advisor, WHO Europe
MR. GEORGES KINTZELE, Adviser to the Director Peter Stub Jorgensen - DG Employment, European Commission

13.00-14.00 LUNCH BREAK

14.00-16.00

SEMINAR 3: TRANSFORMING THE HEALTH SERVICE DELIVERY TOWARDS A COORDINATED PEOPLE CENTERED CARE MODEL BUILT AROUND AN INTEGRATED PRIMARY HEALTH CARE NETWORK AND A MODERN ROLE FOR HOSPITALS

CHAIR: DR. JUAN TELLO, Programme Manager Health Service Delivery, WHO Europe

KEYNOTE SPEAKER: MR. PATRICK BROUDIC, Advisor General of Health Institutions, Inspection General Social Affairs (IGAS) France

PANELISTS:

- **PROMOTING INTEGRATED CARE: THE IMPORTANCE OF PRIMARY HEALTH CARE**
DR. PAVLOS THEODORAKIS, Senior Health Policy Advisor, Focal point for the Health Reform Support Programme 2013-2015 President of Attica Mental Health Hospital
DR. W.G.WIENKE BOERMA, Director, Netherlands Institute for Health Services Research
- **ADMINISTRATIVE REFORM IN THE HEALTH SECTOR: AN OPPORTUNITY TO RE-ENGINEER EOPYY AND REALLOCATE RESPONSIBILITIES AMONG HEALTH AUTHORITIES**
DR. HENRI DE RIDDER, Director General, National Institute for Health and Disability Insurance (INAMI)
- **EFFICIENT MANAGEMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES**
PROFESSOR NANCY PAPALEXANDRIS, Human Resources, Athens University of Economics and Business
MS. JEAN ROBSON, Senior Research Fellow at the Institute of International Health & Development, Queen Margaret University, Edinburgh, UK

SEMINAR 4: IMPROVING MANAGEMENT PROCESSES AND MANAGERIAL TOOLS

CHAIR: MR. GORAN CARLSSON, Task Force for Greece, European Commission

KEYNOTE SPEAKER: DR HOLGER BUNZEMEIER, Head of Department for Medical Management, University Hospital of Münster

PANELISTS:

- **RATIONALISATION AND MODERNIZATION OF HOSPITAL MANAGEMENT**
MS. ANNETTE KATRAVA, Leader Hospital Management Component, GIZ International Services
PROFESSOR NIGEL EDWARDS, Advisor on Hospitals to WHO Europe, Senior Fellow Kings Fund
MR. NIKOLAOS BECHRAKIS, Chair of Hospital Management Subcommittee, Health in Action
- **DEVELOPING & IMPLEMENTING A DIAGNOSIS-RELATED GROUPS SYSTEM**
DR. MARTIN BRAUN, Leader DRG Component Health Reform Support Programme,

GIZ International Services

PROFESSOR YIANNIS LEKAKIS, Medical School of Athens, President of Onassis Cardiac Surgery Center

▪ **DEVELOPING E-HEALTH**

MR. MATS LARSON, CEO, Bilthong AB

16.00-18.00

SEMINAR 5: STRENGTHENING PUBLIC HEALTH IN GREECE

CHAIR: PROFESSOR JENNY KREMASTINO, President of the Board, Hellenic Centre for Disease Control and Prevention

KEYNOTE SPEAKER: MS. ELENA TSAGARI, CEO, Institute of Pharmaceutical Research and Technology

PANELISTS:

▪ **THE ECONOMICS OF PREVENTION**

DR. ELKE JAKUBOWSKI, Division of Health Systems and Public Health, Programme Manager Public Health, WHO Europe

ASSISTANT PROFESSOR DAPHNE KAITELIDOU, Department of Nursing, University of Athens

▪ **RISK FACTORS AND ASSESSMENT IN PUBLIC HEALTH**

DR. DIRK HOREMANS, Senior Advisor Health Policy, WHO Regional Office for Europe

PROFESSOR ANTONIA TRICHOPOULOU, Medical School, University of Athens

PROFESSOR ATHANASSIOS TSAKRIS, Medical School, University of Athens

▪ **TRANSFORMATION OF HEALTH PROFESSIONALS EDUCATION AND TRAINING**

PROFESSOR GILLES DUSSAULT, Senior Advisor to WHO Europe on Human Resources for Health, Instituto de Higiene e Medicina Tropical, Universidade Nova de Lisboa

SEMINAR 6: INVESTING IN THE HEALTH SECTOR TO FOSTER ECONOMY

CHAIR: MR. GEORGE PAPPOUS, CEO, National Evaluation Centre of Quality and Technology in Health S.A.

OPENING REMARKS: MS. ELECTRA PAPAZACHOU, Legal Advisor of the Minister of Tourism

KEYNOTE SPEAKER: PROFESSOR IOANNIS TOUNTAS, Medical School, University of Athens

PANELISTS:

▪ **COMBINING HEALTH AND TOURISM: THE COMPARATIVE ADVANTAGE OF GREECE**

PROFESSOR ATHANASSIOS KOUREMENOS, University of Piraeus

MR. CHRIS SEGAERT, Councillor, National Institute for Health and Disability Insurance

DR LAJOS KOVÁCS, European & Global Health Development Consultant

▪ **OVERCOMING INVESTMENT BARRIERS & PROVIDING INCENTIVES**

MR. KONSTANTINOS FROUZIS, President, Hellenic Association of Pharmaceutical Companies

▪ **OPPORTUNITIES THROUGH PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIPS**

MR. EDWIN MCCARTHY, Vice President, Partners Healthcare International

▪ **HOW INDUSTRY IS DELIVERING ON THE PROMISE OF A HEALTHY AND PRODUCTIVE HEALTH CARE SYSTEM**

MR. PASCHALIS KARIOTIS, Principal Healthcare Consultant, MSBME, DME

18.00-19.00 CLOSING SESSION

CO-CHAIRS:

DR. CHRYSOSTOMOS GOUNARIS, Senior Advisor to the Minister of Health, Health Reform Support Programme 2013-2015 Coordinator, Deputy CEO of Attica Regional Health Authority

MR. PAVLOS THEODORAKIS, Senior Health Policy Advisor, Focal point for the Health Reform Support Programme 2013-2015 President of Attica Mental Health Hospital

MS. FRYNI ANDRIANAKI, Advisor to the Minister of Health, Health in Action Coordinator, Focal point for Health Reform Support Programme 2013-2015

KEY MESSAGE AND NEXT STEPS: MR. ADONIS GEORGIADIS, Greek Minister of Health

19.00-20.00 COCKTAIL RECEPTION