

# MEP Interest Group on Brain, Mind and Pain



## ENSURING EQUITABLE ACCESS TO TREATMENT, SERVICES AND SUPPORT

6<sup>th</sup> November 2019 • Members' Salon, European Parliament, Brussels

TIME	SESSIONS	SPEAKER
12.00	<b>Welcome and re-launch of MEP Interest Group on Brain, Mind and Pain</b>	Joop van Griensven, President, Pain Alliance Europe [PAE] Joke Jaarsma, President, European Federation of Neurological Associations [EFNA] MEP co-chairs - TBC
12.20	<b>Event introduction</b>	Tilly Metz MEP
12.30	<b>Setting the Scene</b> Disparities in Europe in Access to Treatment for Neurology and Chronic Pain Patients	Neil Betteridge, European Alliance for Patient Access [EAFPA] Donna Walsh, Executive Director, EFNA
12.45	<b>National Policy Perspective</b> Case-Study in <u>Multiple Sclerosis</u>  <i>What are the disparities in MS care and support in the EU, and what policies can we put in place to achieve equitable access to care?</i> <b>Launch of MS Policy report, country profiles and policy blueprints</b>	Pedro Carrascal, President, European Multiple Sclerosis Platform Professor Jenny Freeman, Rehabilitation Specialist, UK Professor Per Sorensen, Neurologist, Denmark
13.15	<b>Moderated panel discussion - followed by Q&amp;A</b>  Invited Panellists: 1. Professor Mario Battaglia, AISM and FISM, Italy 2. Ms Moira Tzitzika, MS Psychologist, Greece 3. MEP from Patient Access Partnership: Cristian Busoi 4. Finnish Presidency (TBC) 5. European Commission HSPA (TBC)	Moderated by Frederic Destrebecq, Executive Director, European Brain Council
14.30	<b>Conclusions and Close</b>	Tilly Metz MEP

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