

Pain and Mental Health: A Societal Impact of Pain (SIP) Event

Tuesday 10th October 2023 – 11h30-13h30 CET

European Parliament – (SPA AK 4B1)

Hosted by MEP Vind (S&D) and MEP Sokol (EPP)

Agenda

11h20-11h30: Assembly in the room

11h30-11h35: Welcome from the Societal Impact of Pain (SIP) – Patrice Forget, SIP Chair; European Pain Federation EFIC

11h35-11h40: Patient Testimonial – Deirdre Ryan, SIP Co-Chair; Pain Alliance Europe PAE

11h40-12h00: Perspectives from MEPs

- MEP Marianne Vind (S&D)
- MEP Dolors Montserrat (EPP)
- MEP Alex Agius Saliba (S&D)
- MEP Tomislav Sokol (EPP)

12h00-12h30: Overview of the SIP Joint Statement on Pain and Mental Health

- **The relationship between pain and mental health** – Elisabeth Bondesson, Division of Orthopedics, Department of Clinical Sciences, Lund University, Sweden
- **Improving the quality of and access to safe pain management in Europe** – Patrice Forget, SIP Chair; European Pain Federation EFIC; Institute of Applied Health Sciences, Epidemiology Group, School of Medicine, Medical Sciences and Nutrition, University of Aberdeen, UK
- **The link between pain, mental health and employment** – Kim Burton, Centre for Health and Social Care Research, University of Huddersfield, UK
- **Integrating pain into mental health policies** – Peter Kéri, President, Global Alliance of Mental Health Illness Advocacy Networks (GAMIAN)-Europe

12h30-13h05: Perspectives from EU Stakeholders

- **Towards an inclusive mental health** – Lara Grosso Sategna, Scientific and Policy Officer, European Psychiatric Association (EPA)
- **Fighting stigma/Gender inequality in neurology** – Orla Galvin, Executive Director, European Federation of Neurological Associations (EFNA)
- **Mental health and physical activity** – Cristina Bravo, Member of the Mental Health Working Group of the Europe Region World Physiotherapy
- **Mental health and minority groups: cancer as a case study** – Marion L'Hôte, Policy Officer, European Cancer Organisation (ECO)

13h05-13h20: Questions and Answers

13h20-13h30: Closure

- Deirdre Ryan, SIP Co-Chair; Pain Alliance Europe PAE