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**Organised by the Policy Department A-Economy & Science  
for the Committee on the Environment, Public Health and  
Food Safety (ENVI)**

Workshop on  
**"Effectiveness of Medicines and Therapies"**  
**Wednesday, 18 September 2013 from 13.00 to 14.45**  
**European Parliament, A1G-2, Brussels**

**AGENDA**

**13.00 - 13.05**

**Welcome and opening by Co-chairs of the Health Working Group,  
Alojz PETERLE and Glenis WILLMOTT, MEPs**

**13.05 - 13.10**

**Presentation of EC document "Investing in Health" (2013)**

Mr Tapani PIHA, Head of Unit, e-Health and Health Technology Assessment,  
SANCO, European Commission.

**Part 1**

**Efficacy and safety of new drugs and new therapies**

**13.10 - 13.20**

**Efficacy and/or effectiveness** (confirmed)

Dr Francesco PIGNATTI, Head of Oncology, Haematology and Diagnostics at  
European Medicines Agency (EMA)

**13.20 - 13.30**

**The need for comparative efficacy** (confirmed)

Dr Jonathan CYLUS. Technical officer from European Observatory on Health  
Systems and Policies, London (UK)

**13.30 - 13.40**

**The position and role of complementary and alternative medicines**

Prof Dr Erik BAARS. MD, MSc Epidemiology, University of Applied Sciences,  
Leiden, (NL)

**13.40 - 13.55**

**Q&A**

## **Part 2**

### **Access to effective medicines and therapies through relative effectiveness policies**

**13.55 - 14.05**

**Relative effectiveness assessment systems: Assessing the effectiveness of medicines in comparison with other treatment options** (confirmed)

Dr. Marcus MÜLLNER. Head of the Austrian Medicines and Medical Devices Agency (AGES PharmMed), Vienna (AT)

**14.05 - 14.15**

**Useful, superfluous, unnecessary and dangerous drugs** (confirmed)

Ms Lidija GAJSKI (MD), Croatian Association for Patients' Rights, Zagreb, (HR).

**14.15 - 14.40**

**Open Discussion**

**14.40 - 14.45**

**Conclusions**

**14.45 Closing**