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## EDQM STAKEHOLDER EVENT - PLASMA SUPPLY CONTINUITY

### Increasing and improving plasma collection in Europe

26-27 March 2025, [Agora Building, Council of Europe, Ave. de l'Europe, Strasbourg](#)

#### 26 MARCH 2025

08:00-09:00 Welcome & Registration ([Agora Building](#))

#### OPENING SESSION

09:00-09:15 Welcome Address

*Petra Doerr, EDQM, Council of Europe*

*Laurent Mallet, EDQM, Council of Europe*

*Stefaan van der Spiegel, DG SANTE, European Commission*

09:15-09:30 Setting the Scene - Objectives of the Meeting

*Johanna Castrén, Chair of the European Committee on Blood Transfusion (CD-P-TS), Council of Europe*

*Richard Forde, EDQM, Council of Europe*

#### SESSION 1: EUROPEAN DEVELOPMENTS

**Moderators:** *Pierre Tiberghien, European Blood Alliance (EBA), Belgium & Laurent Mallet, EDQM, Council of Europe*

09:30-09:50 EU SoHO Regulation - Plasma Supply Continuity

*Stefaan Van Der Spiegel, DG SANTE, European Commission*

09:50-10:10 The 22<sup>nd</sup> Edition of the Blood Guide - Plasmapheresis Standards

*Johanna Castrén, Finnish Red Cross Blood Service, Finland*

10:10-10:30 Current market landscape for plasma and immunoglobulins in Europe

*Matthew Hotchko, Marketing Research Bureau, USA*

10:30-10:50 SUPPLY Project - Perspectives and what's next

*Peter O'Leary, European Blood Alliance (EBA), Belgium*

10:50-11:00 Open Discussion

**11:00-11:30 COFFEE BREAK**

## SESSION 2: DONOR STUDIES

**Moderators:** *Piotr Radziwon, Bialystok Regional Centre for Transfusion Medicine, Poland & Johanna Castrén, Finnish Red Cross Blood Service, Finland*

### 11:30-11:40 Donor Perspectives - Impact Statement

*Jacques Allegra, International Federation of Blood Donor Organisations (FIODS / IFBDO)*

### 11:40-12:00 The effect of plasma donation frequency on donor health – results from a randomised controlled trial

*Morten Haugen, Innlandet Hospital Trust, Norway*

### 12:00-12:20 PPTA - Donor Study

*James Knowles, Plasma Protein Therapeutics Association (PPTA), USA*

### 12:20-12:50 EBA - Donor study

*Christian Erikstrup, Aarhus University Hospital, Denmark*

*Katja van den Hurk, Sanquin, the Netherlands*

### 12:50-13:00 Open Discussion

### 13:00-14:00 LUNCH BREAK

## DISCUSSION PANEL: DONOR REGISTRIES & DONOR CENTRE INTEROPERABILITY

**Moderators:** *Christian Schaerer, Swissmedic, Switzerland & Betina Soerensen, Aalborg University Hospital, Denmark*

### 14:00-14:45

*Members of the discussion panel:*

- *Klara Baroti Toth, Hungarian National Blood and Transfusion Service, Hungary*
- *Alexa Wetzel, European Plasma Alliance (EPA), Belgium*
- *Thomas Burkhardt, Deutsches Rotes Kreuz (DRK), Germany*
- *Christian Erikstrup, Aarhus University Hospital, Denmark*

## DISCUSSION PANEL: PLASMA COLLECTION

**Moderators:** *Gerry Gogarty, NHSBT, United Kingdom & Peter O'Leary, EBA, Belgium*

### 14:45-15:30

*Members of the discussion panel:*

- *Peter Verheggen, Sanquin, the Netherlands*
- *Mie Topholm Bruun, Odense University Hospital, Denmark*
- *Miguel A. Vesga Carasa, Basque Centre for Blood and Tissues, Spain*
- *Milan Maly, European Plasma Alliance (EPA), Belgium*

### 15:30-16:00 COFFEE BREAK

## **SESSION 3: PLASMA PROCESSING AND FRACTIONATION**

**Moderator:** *Vincenzo de Angelis, Centro Nazionale Sangue (CNS), Italy &  
Sabrina Kneissl, Paul-Ehrlich-Institut (PEI), Germany*

**16:00-16:20 IPFA - Fractionation in Europe experience and perspectives**

*Francoise Rossi, International Plasma & Fractionation Association (IPFA), the Netherlands*

**16:20-16:40 PPTA - Fractionation in Europe experience and perspectives**

*Barbara Glantschnig, Takeda Pharmaceuticals Ltd., Austria*

**16:40-16:50 Open Discussion**

**16:50-17:05 Patient Perspectives - Impact Statement**

*Jean Philippe Plancon, European Patients Organisation for Dysimmune and Inflammatory Neuropathies (EPODIN), France*

**17:05 CLOSE OF DAY 1**

**17:05-18:45 RECEPTION**

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## SESSION 4: PDMPs - SUPPLY AND USE

**Moderators:** Vanja Nikolac Markic & Marie Emmanuelle Behr-Gross, EDQM, Council of Europe

### 08:45-09:00 Patient Perspectives - Impact Statement

*Leire Solis, International Patient Organisation for Primary Immunodeficiencies (IPOPI), Belgium*

### 09:00-09:20 Clinical use of Immunoglobulins

*Caroline Voltz, European Medicines Agency (EMA)*

### 09:20-09:40 Monitoring and mitigating shortages of medicines and management of public health emergencies/major events

*Klaus Kruttwig, European Medicines Agency (EMA) (virtual speaker)*

### 09:40-10:00 Anti D Immunoglobulin

*Dragoslav Domanovic, EBA, Belgium*

## SESSION 5: PLASMA AS A STRATEGIC RESOURCE

**Moderators:** Leni von Bonsdorff, International Plasma & Fractionation Association (IPFA), the Netherlands & Stefaan Van Der Spiegel

### 10:00-10:20 Implementing strategic plasma resource self-sufficiency through unpaid plasma donations on the global plasma market

*Jean Mercier Ythier, Paris-Panthéon-Assas Université, France*

### 10:20-10:40 Key economic and value considerations for plasma-derived medicinal products (PDMPs) in Europe - Securing equitable patient access

*Tomasz Kluszczynski, University Warsaw, Poland (virtual speaker)*

### 10:40-11:00 Securing commitment and control for the supply of plasma derivatives for public health systems - A short review

*Fabio Candura, CNS, Italy*

**11:00-11:30 COFFEE BREAK**

## SESSION 6: MEMBER STATE DEVELOPMENTS

**Moderators:** Stephen Thomas, NHSBT, UK & Richard Forde, EDQM

### 11:30-13:00

- *UK: 'Our journey to self-sufficiency. Three years in the making.'* - Tiffany Jones and Alastair Hunter, NHSBT
- *Denmark: Betina Soerensen, Aalborg University Hospital*
- *Italy: Vincenzo de Angelis & Fabio Candura, CNS*
- *France: Thibaut Bocquet, EFS*

*Followed by a discussion on 'Plasma Action Plans in European countries.'*

## CLOSING SESSION

### 13:00-13:10 Meeting Reflections

*Johanna Castrén & Richard Forde*

### 13:10-13:20 Closing Addresses

*Laurent Mallet & Stefaan van der Spiegel*