

**Workshop: “Use of data in cross-border biomedical research:
what are the challenges ahead for Europe?”**

Draft Agenda

20 November 2017 (12:00-16:30)

Thon Hotel EU, Rue de la Loi 75, B-1040 Brussels

12:00-13:00	Registration and lunch
13:00-13:15	<p>Welcome and Introduction</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prof. Bernard Charpentier, President, Federation of European Academies of Medicine (FEAM)
13:15-14:45	<p>Session 1: Cross-border biomedical research: What are the new challenges arising from the forthcoming data protection legislation?</p> <p><i>Chair: Prof. Stefan Constantinescu, Vice President, Federation of European Academies of Medicine (FEAM)</i></p>
13:15	<p>Presentations and panel discussion with:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prof. Françoise Meunier, Director of Special Projects, European Association for the Research and Treatment of Cancer (EORTC), Vice-President, Federation of European Academies of Medicine (FEAM) • Prof. Kristian Hveem, Technical University of Norway (NTNU) • Brendan Barnes, Director Data Protection and IP, European Federation of Pharmaceutical Industries and Associations (EFPIA) • Sarah Collen, Senior European Policy Manager, NHS European Office • Patients’ organisation representative – tbc
14:15	Discussion with the audience
14:45-15:00	Coffee break
15:00-16:15	<p>Session 2: How to facilitate use of data in cross-border biomedical research? Cross-sectorial dialogue with policy-makers.</p> <p><i>Chair: Prof. Françoise Meunier, Director of Special Projects, European Association for the Research and Treatment of Cancer (EORTC), Vice-President, Federation of European Academies of Medicine (FEAM)</i></p>
15:00	<p>Presentations and panel discussion with:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr. Andrzej Rys, Director, Dir B - Health systems, medical products and innovation (European Commission, DG SANTE) • Miguel González-Sancho, Head of Unit, Unit H3 – e-Health, Well-being and Ageing (European Commission, DG CONNECT) • National representative - tbc
15:40	Discussion with the audience
16:15-16:30	<p>Concluding remarks and next steps</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prof. George Griffin, President elect, Federation of European Academies of Medicine (FEAM)

About the workshop

Background

Personal data is a vital resource for research that can save and improve lives. The General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) provides a strong basis for the safe use of personal data in research. Some of the rules for research are included in the main text of the Regulation and will apply automatically in all Member States as of 25 May 2018. However, some rules are delegated to Member States and need to be implemented at a national level before they can apply. Such exemptions for scientific or historical research purposes may allow for divergent implementation across Europe, posing potential challenges to biomedical scientific research.

Aim of the workshop

The aim of the workshop is to trigger discussions on the following aspects:

- Based on concrete examples, what are the concerns of the academic, commercial and patient communities over the GDPR legislation and how will it impact cross-border biomedical research in Europe? Which solutions should be put in place?
- How can implementation of GDPR support cross-border biomedical research? What is the role of the European Commission and Member States in promoting compatibility and avoid fragmentation between national laws? What is the EU doing to support the use of personal data to advance biomedical research?

About the FEAM European Biomedical Policy Forum

The FEAM European Biomedical Policy Forum is a partnership based Forum which provides a platform for discussion on key policy issues for the biomedical community.

The Forum is an initiative from the Federation of European Academies of Medicine (FEAM). It brings together representatives from academia, research charities, industry, European and national trade associations and professional bodies, regulators, public health bodies, and patient and consumers groups. Partners join on an equal footing, regardless of size and type of organisation.

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