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# Isabelle Adenot appointed President of European Pharmacists for 2012

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During its annual General Assembly held this week in Berlin, the Pharmaceutical Group of the European Union has unanimously elected Ms Isabelle Adenot as PGEU President for the year 2012.

President of the *Conseil National de l'Ordre des Pharmaciens* since 2009, Ms Adenot has been active in French and European pharmacy related issues for 30 years and was closely involved in the development of the Pharmaceutical Dossier, an innovative medication record system established by French pharmacists.

Ms Adenot is the first female President of PGEU since its creation 52 years ago. This election clearly represents the fact that nowadays 75% of pharmacists in Europe are women.

Ms Adenot will take over the role of the current German President Mr H.G. Wolf, President of ABDA, in January. The priorities for her 1 year mandate comprise the strengthening and the promotion of the role of pharmacists in patient safety, in areas such as pharmacovigilance and the fight against falsified medicines, and the establishment of a comparative study, among European countries, of new services provided by pharmacists to the public.



Ms Adenot, newly elected President of PGEU said: *"The organisation of healthcare is a member state matter; however, European competences in the healthcare sector keep expanding. The role of PGEU is to elaborate a common vision for the 400,000 pharmacies in Europe of their role, a role that is evolving from the safe dispensation of medicines to the provision of high level services integrated in the primary care; and eventually to promote this vision in the European debates"*.

The General Assembly has also elected Mr Piotr Bohater, from the Polish Chamber of Pharmacists, as PGEU Vice President for 2012.