

"Community pharmacists at the heart of the European communities:

PGEU vision 2030"

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Speakers biography

Darragh O'Loughlin, Secretary General, Irish Pharmacy Union (IPU)



Darragh O'Loughlin is Secretary General (CEO) of the Irish Pharmacy Union (IPU), the professional representative and leadership organisation for community pharmacists in Ireland. He is a former President of the IPU as well as a former President of PGEU, and is a member of the Board of the Irish Medicines Verification Organisation (IMVO.ie).

Since qualifying as a pharmacist 1994, Darragh has worked in both hospital and community pharmacy, and has operated his own pharmacy in the west of Ireland for 20 years. He received Bachelor's and Master's Degrees from Trinity College Dublin and has also gained qualifications from the Institute of Commercial Management and Henley Business School in the UK.

Darragh has considerable experience of regulation, quality standards and professional development in pharmacy and healthcare in Ireland and Europe, having been appointed by successive Ministers for Health to the Council of the Pharmaceutical Society of Ireland (PSI.ie) from 2004 to 2010, and to the Board of the Health Information & Quality Authority (HIQA.ie) from 2012 to 2014.

Darragh advocates consistently for a greater recognition of the contribution that community pharmacists make to patient health and for an expansion of the role of pharmacists in delivering convenient, accessible and cost-effective healthcare for the benefit of patients, the public and health systems.

Alain Delgutte, President Section A, French Order of Pharmacists



Alain Delgutte chairs the Council of Pharmacy Owners within the French Chamber of Pharmacists - the self-regulation body for the pharmacy profession in France, which is mandated to ensure compliance with professional duties, as well as professional development and the promotion of public health.

Alain Delgutte was first elected within the French Chamber of Pharmacists in 2003 and became chair of the Burgundy Council of Pharmacy Owners in 2007. In 2009, he became a point of contact for European Affairs and was elected as chair of the national Council of Pharmacy Owners, a mandate which was renewed in 2012 and 2015.

Alain Delgutte has been practicing as a pharmacy owner in Nevers, Burgundy, since 1991. A member of the administrative and executive boards of the Pharmacist Pension Scheme Fund and a Lieutenant-Colonel in the Nevers firefighters, he holds a Pharmacy diploma, as well as a certificate in orthopaedics and a Master's degree in business management.

Duarte Santos, Member of the Board, Portuguese Pharmacy Association (ANF)



After having completed the Integrated Master's Degree in Pharmaceutical Sciences of the Faculty of Pharmacy of the University of Coimbra in 2008, Mr Santos acquired a Pharmacy in Lisbon.

Over the first nine years of his career, Duarte has experienced and took on the responsibilities of functions of both technical direction and management of the Pharmacy.

In May 2013, Duarte became a member of the board of ANF, and has held diverse functions of direction and management of different departments and projects. International representation of ANF and the institutional relations with the Academy and the Student's Associations, are also part of

his assigned responsibilities at ANF.

Since 2014, Duarte is an invited professor at the Faculty of Pharmacy of the University of Lisbon. Currently, he is following a MBA at AESE Business School, in Lisbon.

Usman Khan, Executive Director, European Patients Forum



Dr Usman Khan was appointed Executive Director of the European Patients Forum in April 2019. In addition to managing a Secretariat team in Brussels, he represents the organisation internationally and supports the EPF Board and Membership. Prior to taking up his post at EPF, Dr Khan was Executive Director at the European Health Management Association.

A health policy and management professional with in excess of 25 years' executive level experience within the public, private and not for profit sectors, Dr Khan spent over a decade working in academia,

before moving into health and social care consulting in 2000. He has held a number of high profile non-executive positions in health and social care and currently holds academic positions at George Washington University and New York University (London).

Sylvain Giraud, Head of Unit, European Commission (DG SANTE)



Frederico Guanais, Deputy Head of the Health Division, OECD



Frederico Guanais is Deputy Head of the Health Division at the OECD, where he supervises technical work in the areas of patient reported indicators, people-centred health systems, health statistics, primary care, and healthcare quality and outcomes. He also provides high-level scientific and policy input to the work program of the organisation's Health Committee.

Prior to joining the OECD, he was Principal Health Specialist at the Inter-American Development Bank (IADB), where he led the approval of more than US\$ 1.2 billion in Ioan operations for the health sector in Latin America and the Caribbean. Also at the IADB, he led research projects on assessing and strengthening primary care, patient-centred

care, and preparedness of health systems to address the challenge of chronic diseases.

He has published several research papers in academic journals, including the British Medical Journal, the Lancet Global Health, Health Affairs, Health Policy and Planning, and received a "Paper of the Year" award from the American Journal of Public Health in 2013. He has also served as a member of commissions at the U.S. Institute of Medicine.

A citizen of Italy and Brazil, Dr. Guanais has held senior managerial positions in the Brazilian federal government. He holds a Ph.D. in public administration with a concentration in health policy from the New York University.

Adrian van den Hoven, Director General, Medicines for Europe



Adrian van den Hoven joined Medicines for Europe as a Director General in September 2013. His priorities at Medicines for Europe are to stimulate competition in off-patent medicine markets, to foster market access for generic, biosimilar and value added medicines, to support policy measures for sustainable pricing, to promote high regulatory standards while ensuring that the associated costs can be integrated into market dynamics and to develop a coherent EU industrial strategy to support the long-term viability of the generic, biosimilar and value added medicines industries. Prior to joining Medicines for Europe, Adrian van den Hoven was Deputy-Director General of BUSINESSEUROPE where he was responsible for the

International Relations department, covering trade negotiations and bilateral relations, and the Industry department, covering industrial, energy, environmental and research policy. He previously worked as an International Relations researcher and an adjunct professor in Italy (EUI), France (Nice) and Canada (Windsor). He obtained his doctorate in Political Science from the University of Nice, France in 2000.