



# 1<sup>st</sup> European Congress of Private Hospitals

27<sup>th</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup> May 2010 - Pavillon Dauphine, Paris

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**Towards a Europe for Health : free choice, efficiency  
and quality of healthcare**

**Why Europe needs private hospitals**

## PROGRAMME

Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> May

The Congress will be translated in : English, German, Italian, Spanish, French

12h30 **Registration and welcome cocktail**

14h00 **Introduction**

Dr Max PONSEILLÉ, President of the European Union of Private Hospitals (UEHP)

Mr Jean-Loup DUROUSSET, President of the Private Hospitals Federation (FHP), France

Ms Roselyne BACHELOT-NARQUIN, Minister for Health and Sports, France

**Plenary Speech**

**Evolution of the health system in the United-States: towards a convergence with Europe?**

Ms Grace-Marie TURNER, President of the Galen Institute

The Galen Institute is a non-profit public health policy organization (Alexandria - Washington USA)

16h00 **Round table**

**The European health models**

Private health care exist in all EU Member States and perform different functions; the private health care sector has become a key player in delivering comprehensive services for the public sector including the management of public hospitals. This round table will start with a presentation aiming to show the contribution of private hospitals in the different national healthcare systems. The debate will analyse the position and challenges of the private health care sector in Europe. It will be the opportunity to talk about relationships between the private and public sectors, existing national experiences and the approach of European policies towards the hospital sector.

**Presentation**

Mr Alberto MINGARDI, Director General of the Bruno Leoni Institute

The Bruno Leoni Institute is an organization promoting a public discussion on the reform of the social state (Torino - Italy)

Pr Gabriele PELISSERO, Professor of hygiene and health organization of the University of Pavia, Vice President AIOP

**Moderator:** Dr Paul GARASSUS, Vice President of French Society of Health Economics, member of UEHP

**Participants**

Dr Wolfgang PFÖHLER, CEO of Rhön-Klinikum, Germany

Dr Fernando MESA DEL CASTILLO, President of the National Private Hospitals Federation (FNCP), Spain

Mr Mark PEARSON, Head of the Health Department, OECD

Dr Alain SOMMER, President of the Task Force for Health Policy, BIAC

Mr Arne BJÖRNBERG, Chief operating officer, Consumer Health Powerhouse

Mr Geert Jan HAMILTON, General Secretary of the Dutch Senate

17h45 **End of the 1<sup>st</sup> Day**

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Friday 28<sup>th</sup> May

9h00 **Towards a Europe for health**  
**Impact of the European Union's health policies**

Moderator: Dr Max PONSEILLÉ

**The Lisbon Treaty and Health Policy**

Mr Paolo PONZANO, Chief Adviser of the European Commission, Senior Fellow at the Robert Schuman Foundation of the EU

**Evolution of case law of the Court of Justice of the European Union**

Mr Sean VAN RAEPENBUSCH, Judge, European Union Civil Service Tribunal

10h45 Coffee break

11h00 Round Table

**Free access, healthcare quality and sustainability**

This round table aims to discuss key issues for the hospital sector and to analyse these issues at European level:

- Free access and freedom of choice are fundamental values for patients in the health sector. To think about the free choice means thinking about patients mobility following the non-adoption of a European directive.
- The high quality of health care represents a major value for our sector. However there are different systems and different quality and accreditation controls from one country to another one. Should private hospitals define sector specific criteria in this field?
- Sustainability and recognition by Member States of the delivery of services of general interest by private hospitals and, finally, the need of a fair and adapted funding.

**Presentation:** Mr John BOWIS, President of Health First Europe, former Minister for Health of the United Kingdom

**Moderator:** Ms Alberta SCIACHI, Vice President of the UEHP

**Participants:**

Pr Jacques DOMERGUE, Surgery National Council, France

Dr Antonyia PARVANOV, Member of the European Parliament

Dr Jacques DE TOEUF, President of the Private Hospitals Federation, Belgium

Mr Philippe BURNEL, Director General of the Private Hospitals Federation (FHP), France

Ms Isabel DE LA MATA, Principal Adviser DG Sanco, European Commission

Ms Licia RONZULLI, Member of the European Parliament

13h00 Cocktail lunch

14h30 Round Table

**Why Europe needs private hospitals**

This round table will aim to debate about the capacity for private hospitals to respond to the current and future hospital needs of European citizens. In all Member States, the public sector has got problems adapting itself to constant and increasing demands of citizens who are more and better informed. These adaptation difficulties in the public sector are about both quantitative and qualitative issues. Private enterprise is an important resource in our society. Can it respond to the population needs in the private hospital sector? Can it take forward the current health challenges?

**The future for private hospitals in Europe**

**Moderator:** Mr Teofilo LEITE, Secretary of the UEHP, President of the Portuguese Association of Private Hospitals (APHP)

**Introduction:** Ms Cristina GUTIERREZ-CORTINES, Member of the European Parliament

**Participants:**

Dr Erich SIEBER, Vice President of the UEHP, President of the Austrian National Association of Private Hospitals (VPKA)

Mr Enzo PAOLINI, President of the Italian Private Hospitals Association (AIOP)

Dr Piotr GERBER, CEO of the Polish National Association of Private Hospitals (OSSN)

Ms Karin KADENBACH, Member of the European Parliament

Mr Lucien BOUIS, Member of the European Economic and Social Committee

Mr Adrian DENNLER, President of the Swiss Private Hospitals (CPS)

Mr Jens WERNICK, Vice Chairman of the European Affairs Committee of BDPK, CEO of the Foundation Duke Carl Theodor Hospital

16h30 Conclusions

Ms Isabelle DE LA MATA, Principal Adviser DG Sanco, European Commission

Dr Max PONSEILLÉ, President of the UEHP



**Participation management**



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