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We hope you enjoy this edition and wish you, in advance, a restful summer.

- Louise Abboud, FEAM Executive Director.

Hantavirus: A Reminder of What Preparedness Actually Requires

The Andes hantavirus cluster that emerged in May 2026 was, in epidemiological terms, a contained event. But for those working in European health policy, it served as a familiar prompt — a moment that brings

into sharp relief the questions our community has been asking for years: how well-prepared are we, really, and are the structures we have built sufficient for what is coming?

Pandemic preparedness has been a **core strand of FEAM's work for years**, and it remains so. Through PERISCOPE — a €10 million Horizon 2020 consortium of 32 partners — FEAM contributed to nine of the fourteen work packages, leading on training and education. In practice, this meant mapping the evolving needs of healthcare professionals during and after COVID-19, coordinating a working group on health inequalities with partners including INSERM, the London School of Economics, and the Karolinska Institutet, and contributing to the development of multi-level governance guidelines for health authorities across Europe. It also meant producing tangible outputs: a One Health MOOC developed jointly with the Karolinska Institutet, a workshop series on COVID-19 health inequalities, and holistic policy guidelines aimed at strengthening European health systems against future shocks. The hantavirus situation is a direct illustration of why this work matters — zoonotic, cross-border, and dependent on exactly the kind of surveillance and coordination infrastructure that PERISCOPE was designed to strengthen.

The question now is whether that momentum can be sustained. The current context is not encouraging. Health-related calls under Horizon Europe have seen budget reductions of up to 25% for 2026, and the broader political climate — marked by shifting global alliances, weakened multilateral health governance, and a US retreat from WHO — is making coordinated pandemic preparedness harder, not easier, to fund and deliver. As Europe moves towards FP10, the case for sustained, adequate investment in health security research — including zoonotic disease surveillance, One Health frameworks, and cross-border response infrastructure — needs to be made clearly and consistently.

Emerging threats will keep coming. What changes each time is whether the systems in place are ready to meet them. Through its member academies, its committees, and its ongoing engagement with EU institutions, FEAM remains committed to ensuring that preparedness stays at the top of the agenda — not as a response to the crisis of the moment, but as a standing political and scientific priority. That is the lesson of COVID-19, and it is the lesson of hantavirus.

FEAM Endorses the Life-Course Immunization Call to Action

Vaccination is one of the most powerful tools in public health — yet its potential is too often narrowed to childhood. **A Call to Action adopted in November 2024 by a broad coalition of international health NGOs is making the case for change, and FEAM is proud to endorse it.**

The Life-Course Immunization Call to Action brings together health and health-related organisations united around a shared conviction: that equitable access to vaccination must be guaranteed across all stages of life. It calls for a comprehensive adult vaccine schedule to complement existing paediatric programmes, the integration of immunisation into non-communicable disease prevention strategies, and the mobilisation of health and social care professionals as both priority recipients and frontline advocates. The document also draws an explicit link between infectious disease and NCD progression — recognising that vaccine-preventable conditions can trigger or accelerate chronic disease, with significant consequences for individuals and health systems alike.

FEAM endorses this Call to Action as a document that reflects the scientific evidence and the policy priorities our member academies have long championed. We encourage our members, partners, and the wider European health policy community to engage with its recommendations and advocate for their implementation at every level.

[Call to action](#)

AMR Insights | The Spread of Resistant Bacteria: The Second Driver of Antimicrobial Resistance

Following on from their ongoing series on antimicrobial resistance, **the French Hepta-Academic Group** — bringing together the Académie Nationale de

Médecine, the Académie nationale de Pharmacie, the Académie Vétérinaire de France, the Académie d'Agriculture de France, the Académie des Sciences, the Académie nationale de Chirurgie, and the Académie nationale de Chirurgie Dentaire — has published its **fourth episode**, this time **focusing on the spread of resistant bacteria as the second major driver of AMR alongside selective pressure**.

The episode examines two key dissemination mechanisms: the horizontal transfer of resistance genes between bacteria via mobile genetic elements, and the direct or indirect transmission of resistant bacteria themselves — between individuals, between animals, and through contaminated environments. Particularly insidious is the silent spread through commensal bacteria, which can circulate asymptomatically before manifesting as serious opportunistic infections, accounting for the global rise of multidrug-resistant organisms such as staphylococci and enterobacteria.

The group's conclusion is clear: tackling AMR requires action on both fronts — reducing antibiotic use to limit selective pressure, and implementing robust hygiene and biosecurity measures to curb transmission across human, animal, and environmental ecosystems.

Read the full article by clicking on the link below. The next episode will be released in Autumn 2026.

[Read more](#)

One Health Governance in the EU: FEAM's Role in Shaping the SAPEA Evidence Review

Published in the Bulletin de l'Académie Vétérinaire de France, André Jestin's latest article offers a **comprehensive commentary on the SAPEA Evidence Review Report (ERR) on One Health governance in the European Union** — a landmark document produced at the request of the European Commission under the Scientific Advice Mechanism.

FEAM played a central role in the process, co-leading alongside Academia Europaea the selection of the 15-

expert working group that produced the report. The ERR addressed three core questions: how One Health should be defined at EU level, which tools are best suited to build and implement the approach, and what criteria and indicators can measure its effectiveness. On definition, the working group proposed a refined version of the OHHLEP framework, clarifying the distinction between "environment" and "ecosystem" — a nuance with real implications for policy design.

A key contribution of the report is its first-of-its-kind ranking of EU policies according to their alignment with One Health principles, from the Animal Health Law — already well aligned — to policies such as the Farm to Fork Strategy and the European Green Deal, identified as having room to deepen their One Health integration.

The Group of Chief Scientific Advisors translated the ERR into six concrete recommendations, centring on breaking silos between Commission Directorates General, establishing a high-level One Health coordination mechanism led by DG SANTE, and building a multi-stakeholder platform to support knowledge sharing and network development.

André Jestin also highlights two recent FEAM initiatives directly connected to this agenda: the joint workshop with the UK Academy of Medical Sciences on the design of FP10, and the establishment of the FEAM One Health Knowledge Hub, hosted by Anses, which aims to accelerate cross-sector collaboration between veterinary and human medicine at national and European levels.

[Read more](#)

FEAM at the Mission Board on Vaccination in Europe: Advancing a Shared Agenda

On 30 March, **FEAM's Secretary General, Professor George Griffin**, participated in the internal meeting of the Mission Board on Vaccination in Europe (MBVE) — a multi-stakeholder platform bringing together public health experts, patient advocates, academic institutions, and industry representatives to strengthen vaccination policy across the continent.

The meeting, chaired by Professor Walter Ricciardi, covered a broad and ambitious agenda. Members discussed the MBVE's strategic direction for 2026, with a clear shift in emphasis: from evidence generation towards active policy influence and advocacy. Three overarching priorities anchored the discussion — strengthening vaccine awareness and uptake, building a genuine life-course vaccination culture, and reinforcing the scientific, economic, and policy case for vaccination at both EU and national level.

A particular focus was placed on how the MBVE can shape key EU policy processes, including the Global Health Resilience Initiative and the forthcoming Multiannual Financial Framework, while also translating EU-level ambition into concrete outcomes at Member State level. A flagship European Parliament event, tentatively planned for late June, was flagged as a key moment for positioning the Mission Board in the Brussels policy debate.

FEAM's participation in the MBVE is a natural extension of our commitment to science-informed health policy. Vaccination remains one of the most cost-effective tools available to European health systems, and ensuring it stays high on the political agenda — in Brussels and in national capitals — is work that requires sustained, collective effort. We look forward to contributing to the Mission Board's activities in the months ahead.

FEAM at the European Commission AMR One Health Network Meeting

On 29 April, **Professor George Griffin** also attended the European Commission's **AMR One Health Network meeting in Brussels**, joining a broad range of stakeholders from across the human health, veterinary, and regulatory sectors.

The meeting touched on themes that sit firmly within FEAM's areas of engagement: the integration of AMR considerations into EU pharmaceutical legislation, the role of diagnostics across human and animal health, and the latest surveillance data from key EU agencies. Cross-sectoral dialogue and coordinated policy action were central threads throughout.

AMR remains one of the most complex and consequential challenges facing European health systems, and FEAM's presence at forums of this kind reflects our commitment to ensuring that the academic and scientific community remains an active voice in shaping the EU's response — across policy, research, and practice.

One Health One Science: Recommendations from the French Scientific Conference

On 6 April 2026, a major scientific conference brought together some 300 French and international experts under the banner "**One Health One Science,**" producing a **comprehensive set of recommendations on how to translate the One Health approach into concrete policy action.** The resulting document, published by the French Ministry of Higher Education, Research, and Space, covers four operational pillars — emerging infectious diseases, antimicrobial resistance, pollution, and sustainable food systems — underpinned by three cross-cutting foundations: governance, data, and social sciences.

On governance, the recommendations call for breaking down silos between sectors, strengthening science-policy interfaces at all levels, and embedding One Health principles across education, training, and international policy frameworks. On data, the document argues for progressive interoperability between existing health surveillance systems, without creating centralised databases, to enable integrated, cross-sector analysis. Social sciences and humanities are positioned not as an add-on but as an essential tool for ensuring that policies are ethically grounded, locally relevant, and co-constructed with the communities they affect.

Across the four pillars, the overarching message is consistent: fragmented, reactive approaches are no longer fit for purpose. Addressing the interconnected challenges of zoonotic disease, AMR, chemical pollution, and food system failures requires coordinated, transdisciplinary action — and sustained political will to match.

The document also acknowledges the Quadripartite and the European Commission's DG SANTE and DG RTD among those who contributed to the process.

[Full publication](#)

Recent Activities and Insights - Spotlight on SAPEA

YASAS and **ALLEA** will jointly organise a **SAPEA workshop** as part of WP5 on Interactions across academies and sharing knowledge and practice. The workshop forms part of a three-day programme of events in **Warsaw, Poland**, which also includes meetings of ENYA and the YASAS General Assembly, as well as the ALLEA Public Conference and General Assembly.

The theme of the workshop is ***"Diversity in science advice for strengthened trust, public confidence and legitimacy."*** It will take place on **Friday, 29 May, from 09:00 to 12:00 at the Staszic Palace in Warsaw, Poland.**

[Registration is open here](#)

This **SAPEA workshop** will examine how growing political, financial, and societal pressures affect the provision of science advice, including its legitimacy and credibility. These pressures influence not only advisory processes, but also who participate, whose expertise is recognised, and the conditions under which experts contribute. Participants will be invited to reflect on the tension between the increasing expectation that science advice draw on diverse expertise to address complex challenges and the reality that geopolitical and other pressures may be narrowing the range of voices involved.

The workshop will bring together academics and science-policy practitioners to exchange experiences, discuss challenges, and identify practical approaches for strengthening inclusive, resilient, and trustworthy science advice systems.

Please find below the details of the three-day programme. Kindly note that some of the sessions are open to the broader public should you wish to attend.

	Tuesday, 26 May 2026
16:30-20:30	EFDS side event: Supporting the Ukrainian research ecosystem through international exchange and collaboration Register your interest in this session here.
	Wednesday, 27 May 2026
10:00-12:00	CoARA side event: Values in Transition: An Intergenerational Dialogue on Research Assessment Reform Register here for this session.
13:00-16:00 16:30-18:00	ALLEA Public Conference: Towards a Future of European Research Area: Boosting Trust, Integrity and Resilience ALLEA Madame de Stael Prize Ceremony & Concert Register here for the two events
19:30-21:00	Reception (by invitation only)
	Thursday, 28 May 2026
9:00-12:30	ALLEA Business Meeting / Internal ENYA meeting <i>Only for ALLEA and ENYA delegates</i>
13:30-16:00	Joint ALLEA-ENYA meeting <i>Only for ALLEA and ENYA delegates</i>
	Friday, 29 May 2026
09:00-12:00	YASAS-ALLEA joint SAPEA workshop "Diversity in science advice for strengthened trust, public confidence and legitimacy" Register here for this session.
13:00-16:00	YASAS General Assembly (hybrid) <i>Only for YASAS Delegates & Observers</i>

We hope that some of you will be able to join us for the SAPEA workshop and associated events. In addition, we would greatly appreciate it if you could share information about the workshop with your members. Please feel free to use and adapt the message above as you see fit.

Upcoming Invitation: SAPEA Academy Survey 2026

SAPEA is excited to announce that academies within the FEAM network will soon receive an invitation to take part in the **second edition of the SAPEA Academy Survey**, a comprehensive study of the academy landscape across Europe.

This survey collects key information on academy activities, resources, and capacity to contribute to science-for-policy work. Building on the 2023 survey, the results will help highlight the diversity and strengths of European academies, fostering collaboration and mutual learning.

Topics covered include membership, activities, staffing, funding, events, publications, collaborations, strategic development, and approaches to diversity and inclusion.

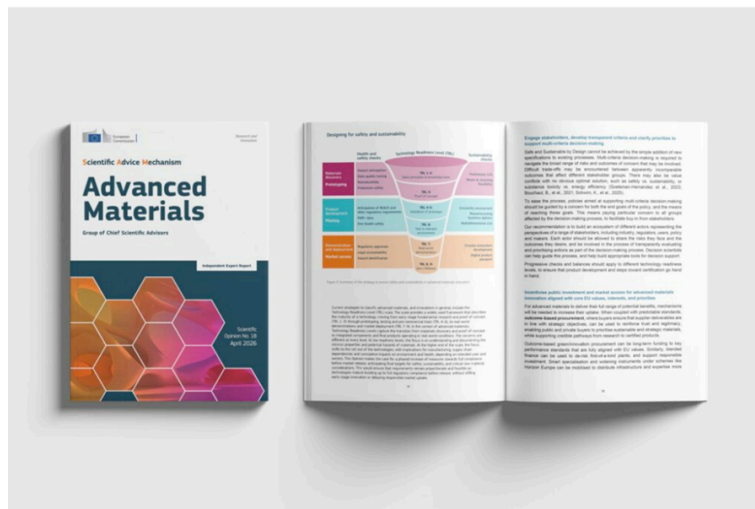
The survey takes approximately 45 minutes to complete, and responses are anonymised. Publicly available examples may be included in the final report to support knowledge sharing across academies.

Keep an eye out for the invitation, and thank you in advance for helping SAPEA to map Europe’s academy landscape.

Recent publications

Advanced Materials: SAM delivered its advice to the European Commission

The Scientific Advice Mechanism has formally handed over its scientific advice on advanced materials to **Ekaterina Zaharieva, European Commissioner for Startups, Research and Innovation.**



[More information here](#)

Recent Activities and Insights - Spotlight on Members

Welcome | New Leadership at the Academy of Athens

FEAM warmly congratulates the **Academy of Athens** on the election of **Professor Nikiforos Diamandouros** as its new President and Professor Antonios Rengakos as its new Secretary General. We look forward to continuing our close collaboration with the Academy of Athens under their leadership and to building on the strong relationship between our organisations in the months and years ahead.

Special Issue

One Health and Pathogens: Challenges, Opportunities and the Future

Message from the Guest Editors

The One Health approach has emerged as a critical paradigm for addressing the complex interconnections between human, animal, and environmental health in the context of emerging and re-emerging pathogens. The accelerating threat of zoonotic diseases, antimicrobial resistance, vector-borne illnesses, and pandemic preparedness underscores the urgent need for integrated, multisectoral strategies that transcend traditional disciplinary boundaries. Recent global health crises, including the COVID-19 pandemic, Middle East Respiratory Syndrome (MERS), Ebola outbreaks, and the persistent challenge of antimicrobial resistance, have highlighted the inadequacy of siloed approaches to infectious disease surveillance, prevention, and control. This Special Issue aims to advance our understanding of One Health principles and their practical application in combating pathogen-related threats at the human-animal-environment interface. We seek to foster transdisciplinary dialog that brings together expertise from public health, veterinary medicine, environmental science, ecology, epidemiology, microbiology, social sciences, and policy studies.

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Deadline for manuscript submissions

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Call for Papers | Special Issue on One Health in Pathogens

Professor **André Jestin**, member of FEAM's One Health Committee, and **Professor Ranieri Guerra** are co-guest editors of a **Special Issue entitled "One Health and Pathogens: Challenges, Opportunities and the Future,"** to be published in the open-access journal *Pathogens* (Impact Factor 3.3).

The Special Issue welcomes original research articles and review papers on work related to One Health. Authors interested in contributing are encouraged to get in touch with the editorial team directly. (Deadline: **20 June 2026**)

Further information and submission guidelines are available at: <https://www.mdpi.com/journal/pathogens>

RANME Hosts First Forum on Plain Language in Medicine

The **Royal Academy of Medicine of Spain (RANME)**, fulfilling its purpose to promote plain language in the healthcare field, held yesterday at its headquarters the First Forum on Plain Language in Medicine, an initiative that goes beyond the strictly linguistic scope to place itself at the core of medical practice, exploring its human dimension, the relationship of trust between professionals and patients and the essential role of communication in clinical safety and care quality. This line of work is also linked to the commitment of RANME in the defense of Spanish as a language of science, as well as its participation in the Pan-Hispanic Network of Plain and Accessible Language, sponsored by the Royal Spanish Academy.

Prominent professionals from scientific, linguistic, and social fields gathered at the event and, from their different perspectives, contributed their expertise on adapting medical communication to groups with different needs. This forum was conceived around three major objectives. The first, to offer a space for shared reflection on the value of plain language in medicine. Secondly, to encourage dialogue and collaboration among institutions, professionals and organizations working toward more accessible healthcare communication. Finally, the meeting called for concrete proposals and effective commitments to put these ideas into practice.

After the welcome speech to all attendees and the opening of the forum by Prof. Eduardo Díaz-Rubio, president of RANME, the first three keynote presentations took place, with the aim of placing plain language in its institutional and panhispanic context.

The First Forum on Plain Language in Medicine concluded with a solemn closing ceremony during which its president read a Declaration reaffirming the Academy's determination and firm commitment to establishing plain communication as an obligation inherent to medical practice; guaranteeing patients' right to understand and actively participate in their healthcare process; promoting the adaptation of healthcare documents in accordance with accessibility

standards; and fostering collaboration among institutions to ensure its effective implementation.

This final Declaration of the forum has already received the support and endorsement of various Latin American academies of medicine, as well as public and private organizations, institutions, and entities.



Publication | Parasitology and One Health: A Longstanding Alliance

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Parasitology at the heart of the "One Health" concept: a longstanding alliance illustrated by cysticercosis control

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Abstract – The "One Health" concept, emphasizing the interdependence of human, animal, and ecosystem health, has gained renewed global attention and institutional support from the World Health Organization, Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, United Nations Environment Program, and World Organization for Animal Health. Here we underline that some principles of parasitology are embedded in this concept. As early as the 19th century, Rudolf Virchow affirmed the unity of human and veterinary medicine, a vision long practiced by parasitologists through their multidisciplinary work on zoonotic diseases. The classical "One Health" triad (humans, animals, and ecosystems) closely mirrors the complex life cycles of many parasitic zoonoses, where distinct stages circulate among hosts and ecosystems. Parasitology societies worldwide have fostered collaboration among scientists, veterinarians, physicians, and other professionals, embodying some aspects of the "One Health" approach well before its formal recognition. Using cysticercosis as an example, this article illustrates how a multisectoral, integrated framework could support effective disease control. We argue that implementing a comprehensive "One Health" strategy to combat parasitic diseases requires a systemic approach that encompasses not only veterinary and human medicine, but also ecology, the social sciences, and economics. This approach must explicitly consider research objectives related not only to human and animal health, but also to ecosystem health.

Key words: One Health, Parasitology, Zoonoses, Cysticercosis, Multidisciplinary approach, Disease control, Public health.

Résumé – La parasitologie au cœur du concept « Une seule santé » : une alliance ancienne illustrée par le contrôle de la cysticercose. Le concept « Une seule santé » (One Health), qui souligne l'interdépendance entre la santé humaine, animale et des écosystèmes, connaît un regain d'intérêt mondial et bénéficie du soutien institutionnel de l'Organisation mondiale de la santé, de l'Organisation des Nations Unies pour l'alimentation et l'agriculture, du Programme des Nations Unies pour l'environnement et de l'Organisation mondiale de la santé animale. Toutefois, la Parasitologie intègre certains des principes de One Health depuis plus d'un siècle. Dès le XIX^e siècle, Rudolf Virchow affirmait l'unité de la médecine humaine et vétérinaire, une vision mise en pratique depuis longtemps par les parasitologues à travers leurs travaux multidisciplinaires sur les maladies zoonotiques. Le triade classique d'« Une seule santé » (êtres humains, animaux, environnement) reflète directement les cycles biologiques complexes de nombreuses zoonoses parasitaires, au sein desquels différentes étapes se transmettent entre hôtes et écosystèmes. Les sociétés de Parasitologie à travers le monde ont favorisé la collaboration entre scientifiques, vétérinaires, médecins et autres professionnels, incarnant ainsi l'approche « Une seule santé » bien avant sa reconnaissance officielle. En prenant la cysticercose comme exemple, cet article illustre comment un cadre intégré et multisectoriel pourrait soutenir un contrôle efficace des maladies. Nous soutenons que la mise en œuvre

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Shared by the **French Academy of Veterinary Sciences**, this open-access review article published in *Parasite* makes a compelling case that parasitologists were, in many respects, practicing One Health long before the term existed. From Rudolf Virchow's 19th-century work on *Trichinella* to the complex zoonotic life cycles that have always demanded cross-sector collaboration between physicians, veterinarians, and ecologists, the authors argue that parasitology is structurally inseparable from the human-animal-ecosystem triad at the heart of the One Health framework.

Using the control of cysticercosis in northern Peru as a concrete example, the paper illustrates what a genuinely integrated One Health strategy looks like in practice — combining veterinary surveillance, public health interventions, education, sanitation improvements, and community engagement to achieve local eradication of *Taenia solium*. The authors also flag a persistent limitation: too many One Health initiatives still underweight ecosystem health and the social and economic dimensions of disease transmission, focusing instead on the human-animal interface alone.

A thought-provoking read for anyone working at the intersection of infectious disease, veterinary medicine, and health policy.

[Full publication](#)

Organ Donation Following Assisted Suicide: SAMS Publishes Legal Opinion

Organ donation after assisted suicide (ODaS)

Assessment of the legal situation in Switzerland

Legal opinion (Executive Summary)

prepared for the Swiss Academy of Medical Sciences (SAMS)

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Can organ donation take place in a Swiss hospital following assisted suicide? Both practices are legally permitted and widely accepted in Switzerland — but their combination raises a distinct set of ethical and legal questions that have, until now, lacked a clear framework.

FEAM member the **Swiss Academy of Medical Sciences (SAMS)** has published a commissioned legal opinion on the subject, accompanied by a statement on the ethical considerations involved, published in 2025. A management summary is available in English, with the full legal opinion in German.

Further information, including both documents, is available on the SAMS website

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RANME Issues Public Statement on the Hantavirus Outbreak

In this statement addressed to the media, the RANME explained the context of the situation, its origin, the ecological considerations involved, the type of virus implicated (Andes virus), the immediate control measures adopted, and future outlooks. It also included quarantine recommendations for individuals suspected of carrying the virus, as well as an explanatory chart clarifying for journalists the differences between an outbreak, an epidemic, and a pandemic, together with guidance in each case on how to protect oneself.

The statement was widely covered by Spanish media outlets.

Recent Activities and Insights - Spotlight on our Partners

EMBO Workshop: Biomedical Engineering as a Driver for Innovation and Economic Growth

On 3–4 March, EMBO and the Helmholtz Association held an **interdisciplinary workshop in Munich on biomedical engineering and its potential to drive innovation and economic growth in Europe**. The

workshop brought together participants from across Europe, the USA, and Asia, representing basic research, funding agencies, venture capital, industry, and policymakers.

The discussions centred on a persistent structural challenge: despite Europe's strong engineering tradition and competitive biomedical research base, the continent lags behind the USA and Asia in translating that potential into products, services, and dedicated academic infrastructure. Participants explored what it would take to change this — from establishing a clearer academic identity for biomedical engineering and dedicated curricula, to fostering the entrepreneurial and problem-solving culture that has driven innovation elsewhere.

Key themes included the need for funding schemes designed for interdisciplinary, mission-oriented research; stronger links between academia, industry, and venture capital; and dedicated innovation hubs capable of inspiring a more vibrant start-up ecosystem in the life sciences. A White Paper drawing on the workshop's findings is in preparation.

Read the full feature on the EMBO website by clicking on the link below

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SAVE THE DATE

CPE ANNUAL MEETING 2026

Protecting and Improving Europe's Cancer Care Model in a Changing World

24 - 26 June 2026
Brussels, Belgium

- 24 JUNE** | **Political Engagement at the Committee of the Regions**
The Role of Regions in Safeguarding Equitable Care OPEN REGISTRATION
- 25 JUNE** | **CPE Annual Conference 2026**
Europe's Cancer Care Model: From Policy to Action OPEN REGISTRATION
- 26 JUNE** | **CPE Annual General Assembly**
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Which conversation will you be part of?
Find out more about the three events and register directly from the event page.

REGISTER NOW

Join the CPE 2026 Annual Meeting in Brussels on Strengthen Europe's Cancer Care Model"

From 24 to 26 June 2026, Cancer Patients Europe will host its Annual Meeting in Brussels, bringing together patient advocates, policymakers, healthcare stakeholders, and partners from across the cancer community for three impactful days under the theme "**Protecting and Improving Europe's Cancer Care Model in a Changing World**".

At a time when Europe's cancer care systems face growing pressures, from economic and geopolitical challenges to workforce shortages, this meeting will focus on how to safeguard equitable, resilient, and patient-centred cancer care across Europe.

24 June 2026 Institutional Event at the European Committee of the Regions

The Role of Regions in Safeguarding Equitable Care

An institutional event bringing together patient leaders, regional authorities, and EU policymakers to discuss how regional action can reduce territorial inequalities in cancer care and improve equitable access across Europe.

25 June 2026 CPE Annual Conference

Europe's Cancer Care Model: From Policy to Action

A multi-stakeholder conference bringing together patient organisations, EU institutions, healthcare professionals, cancer organisations, and industry partners for expert sessions, policy debate, and best practice exchange with the patient voice at the centre.

26 June - CPE Annual General Assembly (members only)

Across these three days, participants will engage in meaningful discussions, strengthen partnerships, and contribute to shaping policies that protect equitable access to high-quality cancer care across Europe.

Check the programme: <https://cancerpatientseurope.org/annual-meeting-2026/#programme>

Register now: <https://cancerpatientseurope.org/annual-meeting-2026/#registration>

Attendance is limited.

SAVE THE DATE - EVENTS TO KEEP ON YOUR RADAR

Save the Date – FEAM Council, Board Meeting and Annual Lecture 2026

Please save the date for a **two-day in-person event** bringing together the FEAM Board and Council, alongside the 2026 Annual Lecture.

The meeting will take place **in Paris** on **4-5 November 2026**.

Further details on the programme, venue, and registration will be shared in due course.

Save the Date | FEAM-EASAC Joint Report Launch: AI in Healthcare

We are pleased to invite you to the launch of the joint FEAM-EASAC report on Artificial Intelligence in Healthcare.

 **30 September 2026**  **Da Vinci Room, Arts 56, Brussels**

Further details on the programme and registration will be shared in due course.

Risk Perception Symposium — Belgian Royal Academy of Medicine (KAGB), 27 June, Brussels



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How do scientists, politicians, the media, and the general public perceive risk — and why does it matter that they often don't perceive it in the same way? These are the questions at the heart of a symposium organised by FEAM member the **Koninklijke Academie voor Geneeskunde van België (KAGB)** on **27 June 2026** at the **Palace of the Academies in Brussels**.

The programme brings together speakers from ETH Zurich, KU Leuven, Tilburg University, and the Universiteit van Vlaanderen to examine risk perception from multiple angles — from the gap between scientific risk assessment and public understanding, to the role of media logics in amplifying certain risks over others, to the well-documented human tendency to believe that bad outcomes are more likely to happen to others than to ourselves. A panel discussion will follow, moderated by Professor Geert Molenberghs.

The symposium will be held in English, making it accessible to FEAM's broader network. Attendance is free of charge, but registration is required via the KAGB website.

 Saturday 27 June 2026 | 10:00–12:15 
Palace of the Academies, Brussels

Please note the event is in-person only — no streaming will be available

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Seven-Academic Symposium on Antimicrobial Resistance — 10 June 2026



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9h30 - 17h00

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The seven-academic monitoring group on antimicrobial resistance holds its next symposium on **10 June 2026**, bringing together expertise from across human medicine, veterinary medicine, and environmental science under a One Health lens.

The programme opens with an overview of the current state of antimicrobial resistance in both human and veterinary medicine, followed by a presentation of the seven-academic initiative "All Actors in Antimicrobial Resistance within a One Health Approach." An opening lecture on the social perception of transmission will set the scene for two thematic sessions covering prevention and treatment — with dedicated focus on new antibiotics and phage therapy. The symposium closes with a panel discussion on the

challenges surrounding the use of phages within a One Health framework.

Please note this event will be conducted primarily in French.

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