



## **FEAM European Biomedical Policy Forum**

## Annual lecture: "Biomedical and health research: developing a vision for Europe"

## **Programme**

21 March 2018 (14:30 - 18:30)

Hotel Steigenberger Wiltcher's, Avenue Louise 71, 1050 Brussels, Belgium / Ballroom

14:30-15:00	Registration and coffee
15:00-15:15	Welcome and Introduction     Bernard Charpentier, President, Federation of European Academies of Medicine (FEAM)
15:15-15:45	Keynote lecture
	<ul> <li>Line Matthiessen, Acting Director, Health Directorate, European Commission, Directorate-General for Research and Innovation</li> </ul>
15:45-17:20	High-level panel discussion: A vision for European biomedical and health research
	Moderator: Jacki Davis, journalist
	<ul> <li>Panellists:</li> <li>Line Matthiessen, Acting Director, Health Directorate, European Commission, Directorate-General for Research and Innovation</li> <li>Robert Lechler, Vice-Principal (Health) and Executive Director of King's Health Partners Academic Health Sciences Centre, President of the UK Academy of Medical Sciences</li> <li>Paul Stoffels, Chief Scientific Officer, Johnson &amp; Johnson</li> <li>Karin Sipido, Professor of Cardiology, Department of Cardiovascular Sciences, KU Leuven, Chair of the Scientific Panel for Health</li> <li>Nick Meade, Director of Policy, Genetic Alliance UK</li> </ul> The panel discussion will include a Q&A with the audience
17:20-17:30	Concluding remarks and next steps
	<ul> <li>Stefan Constantinescu, Vice President, Federation of European Academies of Medicine (FEAM)</li> </ul>
17:30-18:30	Networking cocktail



**About the lecture** 

**Background** 

Improving people's health and wellbeing is the fundamental goal of research and innovation and

European cross-sectorial cooperation is paramount to achieve this goal. European Union's programmes have led to improved health and quality of life for citizens. However, important medical

challenges still remain to be faced and many healthcare needs remain unmet.

The current debate on the next EU Framework Programme for Research and Innovation (FP9) offers

the opportunity to articulate a long-term vision for biomedical and health research, and to address

current gaps in support of excellent science.

Aim of the event

To contribute to this debate, the FEAM European Biomedical Policy Forum's annual lecture will bring

together policy-makers and high-level representatives from across different biomedical sectors to present their vision for the future of biomedical and health research in Europe, and how the European

Union's funding programmes could help achieving this. In particular, the following topics will be

addressed:

• Thematic priorities for future biomedical and health research, in particular:

What should be the research 'moonshot' missions in the health/biomedical area?

How to link future research priorities with the UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)?

Current gaps in the support of biomedical and health research in Europe;

How to improve coordination and consolidation of biomedical research across Europe.

**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 aims to

bring 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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