18th Biosimilar Medicines Conference

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Translating the Pharmaceutical Legislation into Access & Affordability

The 2022 Biosimilar Medicines in-person conference will take place in Brussels on the 6th and 7th October 2022. During this event, speakers and panellists will explore how biosimilar medicines can not only enable access to all-important therapies, but also unlock more advanced integrated care for patients.
Throughout the conference, stakeholders will analyse and discuss the existing challenges and future opportunities to make biosimilar medicines an efficient resource, in light of the implementation of the Pharmaceutical Strategy for Europe and the ongoing revision of the Pharmaceutical Legislation.

DAY 1 Thursday 6 October 2022 - 08:00 - 18:30 CEST

08:00 - 09:00 — **REGISTRATIONS & WELCOME COFFEE**

09:00 - 09:10 — **OPENING SPEECH**

09:10 - 09:30 — **KEYNOTE ADDRESS**

09:30 - 10:45 — **SESSION 1**
OPENING PANEL DISCUSSION - Delivering for patients - Towards an ambitious implementation of the pharmaceutical strategy for Europe

What are the changes in the European legislation, as well as outside legislation, which would help the biosimilar medicines promise on access, competition, efficiency, and affordability come to life? In a multi-stakeholder panel, we will hear perspectives from those working on reforming the EU framework as well as from those actively involved in operating it.

11:15 - 12:25 — **SESSION 2**
The 'no-action' scenario – Taking a close look at the landscape of European access to biological medicines

Biosimilar medicines use continues to vary greatly across European countries and therapy areas. A number of ambitious initiatives endeavour to tackle the burden of cancer and NCDs. Today, these disparities in use lead to inefficiencies and waste for healthcare systems, conflicting with the proven track record of successful biosimilar use. This question becomes even more pressing as healthcare systems move into recovery from the pandemic. What are we saying yes to, if nothing changes or if change is (too) slow?

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12:25 12:45	**PRESENTATION** **Sustainability of the European biosimilar market and competition – trends and trajectory**
13:45 15:15	**SESSION 3** **PROVIDING A FLEXIBLE EUROPEAN REGULATORY FRAMEWORK FOR THE FUTURE: opportunities to advance biosimilar regulation** What are the key emerging biologic regulatory science issues? How can regulatory science and biosimilar development strategies progress alongside to promote early exchanges between manufacturers and regulators? How can this impact the development of biosimilar medicines?
15:45 17:15	**SESSION 4** **ENSURING ACCESS TO AFFORDABLE MEDICINES: How can adapting purchasing and procurement policies contribute to meet evolving health needs?** Buying processes are a centerpiece to medicines accessibility, availability and affordability. A number of reforms have seen the light at national level in different European member states. How can national learnings be shared to allow progress in other countries? As the portfolio of biosimilar medicines evolves, how can the European institutions contribute to building a robust and resilient framework?
17:15 17:30	**DAY 1 CLOSING REMARKS**
17:30 18:30	**NETWORKING COCKTAIL**

DAY 2 Friday 7 October 2022 - 09:00 - 14:00 CEST

09:00 09:20	**OPENING ADDRESS** **Applied resilience and efficiency at the heart of European rebuilding efforts**
09:20 10:40	**SESSION 5** **ENABLING INNOVATION IN HEALTHCARE PRACTICES: How can biosimilar policies contribute to advancing integrated care services?**

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Integrated care appears as a number one solution for efficient healthcare provision and a better outcome. Its implementation highlights a number of 'structural' challenges and, in particular, siloed information, operations and budgets. Programmes for the introduction of Biosimilar medicines has shone a light on how pockets of reforms can significantly impact access but also care pathways and patient outcomes. How can this be scaled up?

11:20
12:40

SESSION 6
INTERNATIONAL REGULATORS' PANEL - Advancing biologic regulatory science: How to converge efforts for an efficient and responsive global regulatory framework?

Beyond the lively European biosimilar arena, regulators around the globe are actively discussing or shaping biosimilar frameworks. This session will provide a platform for international regulators to share the latest developments in their respective jurisdictions. What is the cumulated experience to date? How have scientific advances been incorporated? What are the foreseeable changes coming? What emphasis will be put on cooperation, convergence, reliance going forward?

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CONFERENCE CLOSING REMARKS

12:50
14:00

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