

GENCAD Conference 1: Gender and health – a challenge for the 21st century

Brussels, 1.3.2017

Thon Hotel Brussels City Centre – Avenue du Boulevard 17, B-1210 Brussels, Belgium

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About the Conference

The conference will focus on gender specific disease manifestations, treatments and outcomes, which the general population and the community of physicians are becoming increasingly aware of. The role of gender differences in manifesting disease, particularly cardiovascular diseases, has become more apparent to both physicians and the public at large. Gender-dependent differences in pharmacotherapy and its outcomes are especially relevant for providing adequate treatment.

Both elements are going to be featured in factsheets in all EU Member State languages that will be introduced at this conference and discussed with the participants.

Each of 28 Member States will be represented by national representatives with expertise on gender in cardiovascular disease and prevention and in gender in health policies. Opinion and policy leaders from all the Member States will be invited to discuss country specific relevance of the findings. The goal is to raise the level of awareness among participants and to provide them with useful and relevant information, so that they can then share this knowledge with their respective peer communities.

A welcome dinner will be offered at 28.2.2017, 20.00 h, Hotel Thon, City Centre, Brussels

Aim of the conference

The conference aims mainly to:

- Present the results of the project – the most prominent, clinically relevant and best evaluated sex and gender differences in coronary artery disease, as an example for other frequent diseases
- Discuss regional differences in gender specific disease manifestations, treatments and outcomes within Europe
- Discuss the impact of gender on health-related quality of life and healthcare policy.
- Discuss gender differences with patient organisations, health care system representatives and policy makers.

Venue

Thon Hotel Brussels City Centre – Avenue du Boulevard 17, B-1210 Brussels, Belgium.
We will be happy to reserve a hotel room for you there.

Programme

Conference programme: 1.3.2017 (PDF). The programme starts at 8.30 and closes at 16.30.

Participants

Around 100 participants (e.g. representatives from health ministries, national contact points, patients organisations, healthcare providers, Insurers, policy makers, journalists).

Registration

As places are limited for this event, all registrations are by invitation only from the European Commission. **Please confirm your participation 4 weeks after receiving your invitation to gim.office@charite.de. Those confirmed to the conference should register by 30 January 2017.**

Further information: <http://gencad.eu/>

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Brussels, 1st March 2017, Hotel Thon City Centre

- 8.00 Registration
8.30 **Isabel de la Mata, DG Santé, Luxembourg:** Welcome and introduction

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Chair: Ineke Klinge, Maastricht

- 9.00 **Robyn Norton, Oxford:** Gender and health - a challenge for the 21st century
9.15 **Vera Regitz-Zagrosek, Berlin:** Overview and Gender differences in CAD prevention and diagnosis
9.30 **Angela Maas, Radboud:** Gender differences in CAD treatment and outcomes
9.40 **Angeles Garcia, EMA (tbc):** Applicability of drug therapy to women and men – view of a EMA
9.55 **Flavia Franconi, Sassari:** Applicability of drug therapy to women and men – view of a pharmacologist
10.05 Invited discussants: **Sanne Peters, Oxford; Karin Schenck-Gustafsson, Solna; Piotr Jankowski, Krakow**
10.10 General discussion

10.30 Coffee break

Gender policies and patient experiences

Chair: NN

- 11.00 **Nicholas Alexander, Berlin:** Gender specific risk factors and manifestations in European databases
11.10 **Marie-Christine Iliou, Paris:** Gender in prevention
11.20 **Alan White, Leeds, Berlin:** Member State policies in gender and health, focus on CAD
11.35 **Anne Pepin, tbc:** Gender in European (biomedical and health) research
11.50 **Vivianne Mazzichi, Brussels (tbc):** Impact of research on health policies
12.05 **Elisabeth Pollitzer, London:** Gender-related aspects in European policies, focus on health
12.20 **Nicola Bedlington, Brussels (tbc):** Patient representative: experiences on gender and health
12.30 Invited discussants/ General discussion

12.45 Lunch break

Gender awareness and facts

Chair: Vera Regitz-Zagrosek, Berlin

- 14.00 **Antonio Daponte, Granada:** Survey on the awareness of gender differences in CAD
14.15 **Floris Barnhoorn, Utrecht:** Factsheets on gender differences in CAD in Europe
14.30 Invited discussants/General discussion: **Renata Cifkova, Prague; Katrin Fjeldstedt, Reykjavik**

14:45 Short break

Gender in chronic diseases and impact on policies

Chair: NN

- 15.00 **Alexandra Kautzky-Willer, Vienna:** Gender differences in diabetes
15.10 **Marijke Looman, Bonn:** Case study from Germany
15.20 **Margarethe Hochleitner, Innsbruck:** Case study from Austria
15.30 **Martin Schaffenrath, Vienna:** Impact of gender projects on EU Member States improving their policies
15.40 **Marja Makarow, Helsinki:** Strategies to tackle gender inequalities in health
15.50 **Fernando Rosell Ortiz, Sevielle; Juan Kaski, London:** Comments from the advisory board
16.00 General discussion
16.15 **Vera Regitz-Zagrosek, Berlin:** Final conclusions
16.30 *Adjourn*