



Member of the
European Parliament
INTEREST GROUP ON
BRAIN, MIND AND PAIN

Launch Meeting

February 24, 2015 from 18.00 – 20.30hrs
Thon Hotel EU, Rue de la Loi 75, B-1040, Brussels, Belgium

- 18.00hrs Arrivals and Cocktail Reception
(Registration from 17.45)
- 18.30hrs **Official Launch** of the Interest Group
Opening Address: Marian Harkin, MEP, Co-Chair
- 18.35hrs Presentation of **Book of Evidence**
Chairperson: Audrey Craven, President, European Federation of Neurological Associations

Message of Welcome and Support Commissioner Health, Vytenis Andriukaitis

The below speakers will provide a multi-stakeholder perspective in presenting the major points outlined in the Book of Evidence.

- Witness 1: The Health Professional
Professor Wolfgang Oertel, Chairperson of the EU Affairs Sub-Committee at the European Academy of Neurology
- Witness 2: The Patient
Joop van Griensven, Chronic Pain Patient and President, Pain Alliance Europe
- Witness 3: The Industry Representative
Eva Grut-Aandahl, Head of EU Representation Office, Pfizer

- 19.10hrs **Deliberation:** Discussion and Debate
Chairperson: Maggie Alexander, Chief Executive, European Multiple Sclerosis Platform
- 19.40hrs **Closing Statements and Verdict**
MEP co-chairs: Marian Harkin, Jeroen Lenaers and Daciana Sârbu

Followed by Networking Canapés and Drinks