

## GENERAL TOPICS TO BE ADDRESSED

“The history of vaccines confirms that vaccines have been the medical intervention with the greatest beneficial impact on human health and longevity”

S. Plotkin

*Proc Natl Acad Sci USA 2014; 111: 12283-7*

The 2016 WHO Aging and Life Course Program, as a mean to promote “health ageing”, which new definition is “the process of developing and maintaining the functional ability that enables wellbeing in older age”. In this context, life course in tegrated care includes firstly health promotion and targeted preventive measures. Too often, at the side of diet, physical exercises and smoking abstinence, the importance of life course vaccinations is forgotten by stakeholders, healthcare professionals, media and indeed the public. The understanding that vaccinations represent one of the most powerful public health measure preventing disease, disability and mortality has to be another time stressed. Irrefutable scientific arguments need to be disclosed to the widest possible political, professional and lay public audiences. Concerted effort should be made to increase awareness and education around the role of prevention, including immunization, to favor a “Healthy Aging”. How to better implement existing European vaccine recommendations? How to remove the vaccine fears? How to increase the vaccine coverage at any stage of life and specifically at the old age? We would like answering all these questions and mobilizing all the partners, getting the strong support and cooperation of the stakeholders and key opinion leaders to convince all the audiences of the outstanding benefits of a vaccination life course approach.


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PRELIMINARY  
PROGRAM

# Changing the vaccine paradigm: Stressing the importance of adult immunization

## GENERAL INFORMATIONS

### CONGRESS VENUE

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**MAY 24-26  
2017**

## WEDNESDAY, MAY 24, 2017

### OPENING CEREMONY

- 15.30 Remarks from EC, EICA, EUGMS, WHO  
16.00 The updated WHO definition of "Healthy Aging"  
16.30 Integrating life course vaccination into the new WHO concept of "Healthy Aging"

*Coffee break*

### ADULT IMMUNIZATION CHALLENGES

- 17.30 Adult vaccination in Europe  
18.00 Public health impact of adult vaccine-preventable diseases on performances, disability, mortality and health care costs in Europe  
18.30 Profiling vaccines for an immunosenescent and multimorbid population  
19.00 General discussion

*Dinner in San Servolo*

## THURSDAY, MAY 25, 2017

### IMPACT OF ADULT VACCINES ON RESPIRATORY DISEASES - 1

- 08.30 Etiology of respiratory tract infections in adults in Europe: current knowledge and knowledge gaps  
09.00 European flu vaccine regulations and their impacts in community-dwelling adults  
09.30 Vaccination of health care professionals and protection of hospitalized adults and nursing home residents

*Coffee break*

### IMPACT OF ADULT VACCINES ON RESPIRATORY DISEASES - 2

- 10.30 Evolving epidemiology of Pneumococcal disease in Europe  
11.00 Updated vaccine strategy against Pneumococcal disease  
11.30 Broad potential benefits of a comprehensive approach of adult immunization against flu and pneumococcal disease  
12.00 General discussion

*Lunch in San Servolo*

### THE PERMANENT VALUE OF VACCINES IN ADULTS

- 13.30 Continuous threats for older Europeans: Diphtheria, Pertussis and Tetanus  
14.00 Herpes zoster vaccine: a preventable pain vaccine  
14.30 Hepatitis: an unrecognized pathology in old adults  
15.00 The gastroenteritis burden in adult community: prospects for vaccines  
*Coffee break*

### VACCINES IN PATIENTS WITH CHRONIC CLINICAL CONDITIONS

- 16.00 Impact of nutrition on adult vaccination efficacy  
16.30 Direct and indirect benefits of vaccines in patients with chronic conditions: diabetes, cardiac & pulmonary diseases  
17.00 Vaccines, antibiotic resistance and nosocomial infections  
17.30 Comprehensive geriatric assessment in infectious diseases  
18.30 General discussion  
*Dinner in Venice*

## FRIDAY, MAY 26, 2017

### TOWARDS A GLOBAL ADULT VACCINE POLICY

- 08.30 Wrap up of the first part of this stakeholders symposium  
09.00 Eight multidisciplinary group discussions:  
Analyze of the adult vaccine hindrances and propositions to establish a successful global vaccine policy
- Non-Governmental Organizations
  - European Community members
  - Nurses Association
  - Pharmacists Association
  - Patients Associations
  - Medical Scientific Societies
  - Vaccine industry
  - Medias / medical journalists
- Coffee break*

### HOW PROMOTING ADULT IMMUNIZATION IN EUROPE

- 10.30 Reports of the groups' discussion – General discussion  
Establishing a successful global vaccine policy  
General discussion  
12.00 "One health" vaccine prospects  
12.30 Conclusion: Proposed priority actions  
13.00 Farewell lunch