

Workshop

Small & Medium sized Entreprises (SMEs) in Health Research Maximising outcomes of EU-funded research projects – Tools for success –

Thursday 26 February 2009

Charlemagne building– room Alcide de Gasperi – rue de la Loi, 170 - Brussels

08:30 – 09:00 Registration

09:00

Welcome

- Manuel HALLEN – Research DG - Health Directorate

09:10

Workshop Introduction & Objectives – FP7 Health SME participation, Programme & Logistic

- Stéphane HOGAN – Research DG – Health Directorate
- Ludovica SERAFINI – Research DG – Health Directorate

Q&A

09:45

European Union policy and supports available for SMEs & Innovation in Health and Biotechnology

- Tomas JONSSON – Enterprise & Industry DG – Competitiveness in the Pharmaceuticals Industry and Biotechnology
- John WALSH – Regional Policy DG – Thematic Coordination
- Melanie CARR – European Medicine Agency – SME Office
- Jean-Luc GAL – European Patent Office

Q&A

11:00 – 11:30 Coffee break + Associations & Support Structures Fair

11:30

Identification of possible sources of financial support for successful EU-funded research in Health (focus on SMEs & start-ups)

- Paul WEBBER – Europe Unlimited SA
- Francesco de RUBERTIS – Indexventures
- Patrik van BENEDEEN - Gimv
- Patrice LIAUZU – European Investment Fund
- Olivier DEBANDE – European Investment Bank
- Patrick KLEIN – Enterprise & Industry DG – Financing Innovation and SMEs

Q&A

13:15 – 14:45 Lunch + Associations & Support Structures Fair

14:45 Key performance factors for valorisation of EU-funded projects results, how to improve partnering and commercialization strategies?

- John MARTIN – Ark therapeutics
- Frank HEEMSKERK – Research & Innovation Management Services bvba
- Fernando GUERRA – University of Coimbra – Innovation & Research
- Christian SUOJANEN – EFB
- Jacques VISEUR – EuroTop

Q&A

16:15 – 16:45 Coffee break + Associations & Support Structures Fair

16:45 Other available supports: Enterprise Europe Network, Clusters and Bioregions in Europe

- Antonios FYSEKIDIS – Enterprise & Industry DG – Business cooperation & Support Network
- Hicham ABGHAY – Steinbeis-Europa-Zentrum – Enterprise Europe Network Baden-Württemberg
- Claire SKENTELBERY – Council of European BioRegions (CEBR)

Q&A

17:45 Conclusions

- Stéphane Hogan – Research DG – Health Directorate

18:00 End of the workshop
