

FIT FOR WORK CONFERENCE

April 28th - 29th, Riga, Latvia

Fit for Work Europe has now been working for over seven years to demonstrate that Muscular Skeletal Disorders (MSD) are manageable conditions. The Latvian Presidency of the EU Council has now the opportunity to lead the action against chronic diseases in the EU and facilitate a unifying framework for reducing the burden of MSDs across all member states & beyond.

DRAFT AGENDA

28 April 2015
Tuesday

Radisson Blu Ridzene Hotel, Reimersa str. 1

- 15:00 - 15:30** Welcome coffee
- 15:30 - 15:45** Welcome - **D. Behmane**, FfW Latvia, Riga Stradins University, Latvia and **Prof. S. Bevan**, Founding President, FfW EU coalition
- Objectives and Set-up of the Day
 - Getting to know each other
 - Expectations from the day
- 15:45 - 16:15** Setting the scene:
- FfW achievements since last NAs meeting - **A. Cardone**, FfW EU Executive Director
 - FfW evolution - **P. Graves-Moore**, AbbVie, Director, Global Strategic Health Initiatives, **A. Moutet**, AbbVie, Patient Engagement and Care Director and **Prof. S. Bevan**, Founding President, FfW EU coalition
- 16:15 - 16:45** FfW exemplary best practices:
- Early intervention in companies. How to quantify the effect of cutting edge occupational health training on the standards of care - **Dr. A. Wahl-Wachendorf**, Association of German Occupational Physicians, Germany
 - The Rheuma Productivity Calculator - **J. Backas**, AbbVie, Health Economics and Outcomes Research Specialist, Finland
 - FfW in the US current status and future development - **Dr. S. Conard**, Healthcare Strategist and Advisor, USA
- 16:45 - 17:00** Coffee Break
- Poster presentation on how to measure workability in the German health system - **N. Amler**, Research Fellow, University of Nuerberg, Germany
- 17:00 - 17:40** FfW exemplary best practices:
- Project *Target@Work*, workability as a clinical outcome - **P. Baart**, Managing Director at International Institute for Health Management and Quality (iHMQ), The Netherlands
 - Current situation and future perspective in Estonia - **Dr. K. Laas**, Rheumatologist, East Tallin Central Hospital and **E. Sooba**, Board Member, Estonian Society of Physical and Rehabilitation Medicine Doctors, Estonia
 - Recent data collection of MSDs indirect/societal costs and its communication to key stakeholders - **Dr. T. Dolezal**, Director, Institute for Health Economy and Technology Assessment (IHETA), Czech Republic
 - Promoting healthy work for employees with chronic illness - Public Health and Work (PH Work) - **N. Van der Auwera**, Assistant, International Networks at Prevent and European Network for Workplace Health Promotion (ENWHP), Belgium
- 17:40 - 18:00**
- ▶ The FfW report on best practices - **A. Cardone**, FfW EU Executive Director
 - ▶ How to best approach EU funds - **A. Cardone**, FfW EU Executive Director
- 18:00 - 18:30** Q&A and Closing remarks. Next steps - **Prof. S. Bevan**, Founding President, FfW EU coalition
- 18:45 - 21:00** Joint dinner

29 April 2015
Wednesday

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- 09:00 - 10:00** Health economics *White paper* discussion
- 10:00 - 10:15** Break
- 10:15 - 11:45** Beyond the impossible: Creative solutions to replicate best practices - **T. Ramanauskas** and **K. Sabolius**, *Creative Directors at New!*
- 11:45 - 12:15** Sandwich break
- 12:15 - 13:00** Time for location change/Transfer

Conference center "Citadele", Republikas laukums 2A

"HEALTHCARE SOLUTIONS TO IMPROVE WORKABILITY"

Debate based on chronic diseases cases (Musculoskeletal Disorders, IBDs, Mental Health).

Co-Chaired by the Minister of Health, Minister of Welfare, Riga Stradins University and Fit For Work Europe, and endorsed by the Latvian Presidency of the EU Council.

13:00 - 14:30

- ▶ Welcome address and opening speech
G. Belevics, Minister of Health of Latvia
U. Augulis, Minister of Welfare of Latvia
- ▶ Workability Challenges in the EU - **Prof. S. Bevan**, Founding President, FfW EU coalition
- ▶ Burden of MSDs in Latvia - **D. Behmane**, FfW Latvia, Riga Stradins University, Latvia
- ▶ Solutions to Improve Workability and Sustain Healthcare Systems:
 - WHO report - **D. Tordrup**, Research Fellow, WHO Representative to the European Union, Belgium
 - OECD framework - **M. Devaux**, Health Analyst - statistician at OECD, France

14:30 - 15:00

Coffee break

15:00 - 17:00

Evidence based solutions to improve workability of people with MSDs and other chronic conditions across Europe
Chaired by **Prof. S. Bevan**, Founding President, FfW EU coalition

- ▶ Spanish Early Intervention Case Study - **Dr. C. Lajas Petisco**
Rheumatologist, Hospital Clinico San Carlos, Madrid, Spain
- ▶ Importance of Early Intervention from a Statutory Health Insurance Perspective in Germany - **F. Knieps**
Chief Executive Officer of BKK Federal Association, Germany
- ▶ Polish Workability Improvement, Connecting with Healthy Ageing agenda - **Prof. B. Samolinski**
Chairman of Constructive Coalition's Steering Committee, Founder & Chairman of Healthy Ageing Coalition, Poland
- ▶ Austrian Early Intervention example - **Prof. K. P. Machold**
Rheumatology Division, Department of Internal Medicine III, Vienna, Austria
- ▶ Latvian Early Intervention Concept development - **Prof. D. Andersone**
Medical Faculty of Latvian University, President of Society for Adults Rheumatology, Latvia
- ▶ Occupational Health in Latvia - **Dr. med. I. Vanadzins**
Director of Institute for Occupational Safety and Environmental Health, Riga Stradins University, Latvia

Position paper to put Chronic Conditions as a public health priority & conclusion of the day.

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