



LEVERAGING EVIDENCE TO TRANSFORM HEALTH SYSTEMS PASSING THE BATON AT THE OBSERVATORY

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Policy-makers face a complex set of health system challenges. The issues – workforce shortages, financial sustainability, the growing burden of chronic diseases, longstanding access and equity concerns – are clear. The solutions less so. There are competing approaches to fragmented care and prevention, competing non-health system areas clamoring for resources and what can feel like a string of shocks and crises. Policy-makers are expected to respond with strategic choices that fit their very specific health system context. They need timely and relevant evidence. They also need effective knowledge translation to make that evidence accessible and relevant to them.

This Observatory symposium will address the questions – 'what do we need to know to inform policy decisions?' and 'how do we use what we know to achieve change?'. Speakers will explore the types of evidence policy-makers need and the kinds of knowledge-brokering that can help them translate evidence into health system transformation. It will also mark a leadership transition at the Observatory, with Ewout van Ginneken succeeding Josep Figueras as Director in January 2025, and taking forward the Observatory's mission to generate and share evidence that enables policy.

We are looking forward to celebrating with you

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<http://tinyurl.com/OBS10December>



speakers



Hans Kluge, Regional Director
WHO Regional Office for Europe



Sandra Gallina, Director General
Health and Food Safety (DG SANTE), European Commission



Liisa-Maria Voipio-Pulkki, Senior Adviser of International Affairs
Finnish Ministry of Social Affairs and Health



Josep Figueras, Director
European Observatory on Health Systems and Policies



Ewout van Ginneken, Incoming Director
European Observatory on Health Systems and Policies



Suszy Lessof, Deputy-Director
European Observatory on Health Systems and Policies



agenda summary

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15:30-15:40

Opening

Suszy Lessof

15:40-16:10

Evidence Needs to support European Health Priorities

Hans Kluge

Sandra Gallina

16:10-17:15

Translating evidence to enable Health Systems Transformation

Introduction, Suszy Lessof

Innovations in Knowledge Translation, Josep Figueras & Ewout van Ginneken

Debate with guests and online audience

17:15-17:30

Passing the baton at the Observatory

Liisa-Maria Voipio-Pulkki

