



Early Detection, Better Outcomes

Advancing Kidney Disease Screening in the EU

28.01.2025 15:30-17:30 CET | Brussels, European Parliament, Room A3F383 + Online

Co-Hosted by MEP Tomislav Sokol and MEP Andrés Kulja | Moderated by Tamsin Rose



Programme

15:30 – 15:40	Opening Remarks	<i>Introduction:</i> Moderator (5 min) <i>Speaker:</i> MEP Tomislav Sokol (5 min)
15:40 – 15:50	Testimonial: Experience from rare kidney disease patients	<i>Speaker:</i> Ms. Marianne Silkjær Nielsen, Founder, CompCure (10 min)
15:50 – 16:30	Session 1 - Improving kidney disease screening in the EU	
	The ABCDE model as a best practice for the EU	<i>Speaker:</i> Prof. Alberto Ortiz, Chair of the Registry and Renal Science; Chair-elect, European Renal Association (ERA) (6 min)
	Example of multistakeholder and cross-border collaboration with the PREVENTCKD project	<i>Speaker:</i> Ms. Eveline Scheres, General Manager, EKHA (6 min)
	Testing for CVD, diabetes, and kidney disease – Benefits of joint screening approaches	<i>Speakers:</i> Dr. Susan Connolly, Consultant Cardiologist, University Hospital Galway, Ireland (6 min) Ms. Elisabeth Dupont, Regional Manager, IDF-Europe (6 min)
	Q&A Session	(13 min)
16:30 – 17:10	Session 2 - Policy Meets Prevention: What's Next on the Agenda for Kidney Health?	
	Kidney health in past and upcoming EU presidencies	<i>Speaker:</i> Ms. Kitti Almer, Public Health Attaché, Hungary (6 min)
	Kidney disease on the global public health agenda	<i>Speaker:</i> Dr. Valerie Luyckx, University Children's Hospital and Department of Public and Global Health, Epidemiology, Biostatistics and Prevention Institute, University of Zurich, Zurich, Switzerland (6 min)
	Looking ahead: Opportunities for kidney health in the new EU mandate	<i>Speaker:</i> MEP Andrés Kulja (6 min)
	Policy recommendations to improve early detection – EKHA's wishlist to decision makers	<i>Speaker:</i> Mr. Daniel Gallego, President, EKPF (6 min)
	Q&A Session	(13 min)
17:10 – 17:30	Closing Remarks	<i>Speakers:</i> MEP Andrés Kulja (6 min); Prof. Raymond Vanholder, EKHA President (6 min); Moderator wrap-up (5 min)
18:00 – 19:15	Networking Reception	<i>Venue:</i> 12th Floor Restaurant, EP Spaak Building. Includes VR sets, screening kits, and posters on kidney disease

