



# Rare Disease Day Book Launch

## “The Voice of 12,000 Patients”

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European Commission

Berlaymont, Brussels

### Agenda

- 11:15-11:25 **Androulla Vassiliou**  
*European Commissioner for Health*  
Welcome and European Commission Rare Diseases policy
- 11:25-11:30 **Yann Le Cam**  
*Chief Executive Officer of EURORDIS, the European Organisation for Rare Diseases*  
Presentation of the Book: *The Voice of 12,000 Patients*
- 11:30-11:35 Prof. **Thomas Otto F. Wagner, MD**  
*Head of Pneumology/Allergology, Clinic of the J.W. Goethe-Universität, Frankfurt*  
European Union added value - Centres of Reference for rare diseases
- 11:35-11:40 Prof. **Milan Macek Jr, MD, PhD**  
*Chairman of the Institute of Biology and Medical Genetics, Charles University Prague*  
Closing remarks on behalf of the Czech Presidency of the Council

Coffee and refreshments will be available from 11:00 to 13:00.



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