GREEN PAPER: IMPROVING THE MENTAL HEALTH OF THE POPULATION.
TOWARDS A STRATEGY ON MENTAL HEALTH FOR THE EUROPEAN UNION

CONFERENCE TO LAUNCH THE CONSULTATION PROCESS

Luxembourg, Jean-Monnet-Building, Room M6
24 October 2005, 10.00-16.30 hrs

Agenda

09.00-10.00 Registration

MORNING SESSION:
LAUNCH OF THE GREEN PAPER

10.00-11.00 Mental health policies in Europe

Welcome: Mr John F. Ryan, European Commission, DG SANCO, Head of Unit

European Commission: Mr Markos Kyprianou, European Commissioner for Health and Consumer Protection

Council Presidency: Ms Rosie Winterton, Minister of State for Health, United Kingdom

European Parliament: Mr John Bowis, MEP

Finland: Ms Liisa Hyssälä, Minister of Health and Social Services

Lithuania: Prof Žilvinas Padaiga, Minister of Health

Luxembourg: Mr Mars di Bartolomeo, Minister of Health

WHO Regional Office for Europe: Mr Marc Danzon, Regional Director

11.00-11.30 Coffee Break

11.30-12.30 The context for public health interventions

Facilitator: Prof. Giovanni Berlinguer, MEP

Mental health and mental ill health in the EU (an overview of situations and challenges)
(Prof. Vivianne Kovess-Masféty, MGEN, France)
Mental Health Promotion and Prevention – what works
(Dr Eva Jané-Llopis, IMHPA, Spain)
Mental health, social inclusion and human rights
(Ms Mary Nettle/ENUSP; Ms Judith Klein/Open Society Institute)
Developing a mental health information and knowledge system
(Prof. Kristian Wahlbeck, STAKES, Finland)
The view of patients and families
(Ms Inger Nilsson, EUFAMI, President)

12.30-14.15 Lunch break
AFTERNOON SESSION

Chair: Mr John Bowis, MEP
Rapporteur: Mr Jürgen Scheftlein, European Commission, DG Health and Consumer Protection

14.15-16.20 Entering into the consultation process

14.15-14.30 Introduction (by Chair and Rapporteur)

14.30-15.10 Dialogue with Member States: Building an Action Plan
Minister Liisa Hyssälä, Finland
Prof Jan Czeslaw Czabala, Poland: The IMHPA-country stories
Mr Jürgen Scheftlein, European Commission, DG Health and Consumer Protection, Designated Chair of the Dialogue with Member States
-followed by discussion with the audience

15.10-15.50 EU-Platform on Mental health
Minister Prof Žilvinas Padaiga, Lithuania
Mr José Biosca de Sagastuy, European Commission, DG Employment and Social Affairs, Head of Unit
Dr Barbara Schüle, Chief company medical officer, DaimlerChrysler AG, Germany
Mr Clive Needle, EuroHealthNet, Designated Chair of the EU-Platform on Mental Health
-followed by discussion with the audience

15.40-16.20 Interface between Research and Policy: Indicators, data, research
Prof Howard Meltzer, Health and Care Division, Office for National Statistics, United Kingdom
Mr Kevin McCarthy, European Commission, DG Research, Head of Sector
Prof Kristian Wahlbeck, STAKES, Finland, Designated Chair of the Interface between Research and Policy
-followed by discussion with the audience

16.20-16.30 Summary by Chair

16.30 Closure of the event (Mr John F. Ryan, European Commission, DG Health and Consumer Protection, Head of Unit)