



Book launch

A European Health Union: Our progressive vision

19 October 2023 – 11 – 12:30 (CET)

Online

The European Institute of Health and Sustainable Development (EIHSD), based in Lithuania, and FEPS launched [research on the conceptualisation of a European Health Union](#) and related policy at the European level. This webinar is dedicated to the presentation of our findings on the potential and challenges for a European Health Union.

With this compilation of essays from world-renowned experts, we first explore the origins and legal background of the concept of a European Health Union. Then, we recognise that there has been development and a strengthening of relations between European members, carried out by progressive decision-makers, and look into the strong backing of citizens for investment in health at a European level. Finally, as the path towards a Union will be challenging, we look into the most promising avenues of cooperation for the health and well-being of European citizens.

This event will be recorded and live-streamed on FEPS and partners' platforms and social media.

11:00 – 11:05

INTRODUCTORY REMARKS

Maria Joao Rodrigues, President, FEPS

11:05 – 11:15

Which vision for a progressive European Health Union?

Vytenis Andriukaitis, EU Commissioner for Health and Food Safety (2014-2019)

11:15 – 11:45

PRESENTATION OF THE BOOK:

Presentation of the research and policy recommendations by

- **Ilona Kickbusch**, Founding Director and Chair of the Global Health Centre, Graduate Institute for International and Development Studies Geneva
- **Annette Schrauwen**, Professor of European Integration, in particular citizenship law and history, at the University of Amsterdam

11:45 – 12:15

DISCUSSION OF THE RESULTS AND IMPLICATIONS FOR FUTURE POLICY

Panel discussion with:

- **Sara Cerdas**, Member of the European Parliament
 - **Trolls Petersen**, Conference for the Future of Europe
- Chair: **David Rinaldi**, Director for Studies and Policy, FEPS

12:15 – 12:30

Q&A

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