Agenda Biomedical Alliance Spring Meeting  
14 May 2019  
Square de Meeûs, 29 - Brussels (2nd floor)  
10.00-16.30

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| 10.15-10.30 | Introduction & Tour de table  
  *Axel Pries*  |
| 10.30-11.00 | European elections: what’s at stake?  
  *Richard Steel, Head of Parliamentary Intelligence Unit at Interel*  |
| 11.00-13.00 | Challenges and Opportunities of the EU’s open access plan  
  *Moderators: Wilfried Ellmeier & Chantal Mathieu*  |
| 13.00-14.00 | Networking lunch  |

Plan S is a proposal of the European Commission, Science Europe, and National Research Funding organisations stating that scientific publications that receive funding from its members must be made freely accessible immediately upon publication. This means that researchers who receive public funding from participating organisations will no longer be able to publish in paid, non-open access journals. Plan S thus has substantial consequences for researchers in Europe, but also for health associations that publish in scientific journals.

Outline: panel discussions

**Keynote:** *Robert Kiley, Head of Open Science, Wellcome Trust*

**Brief introductory interventions (10 min each):**

- Jean-Claude Burgelman, Head of Unit Open data Policies and Science Cloud, European Commission
- Thomas F. Lüscher, editor in Chief of the European Heart Journal and Valentina Tursini, Scientific Publications Director, ESC
- Prof. Laszlo Fesus, Chair of the FEBS Publications Committee
- Jan Cools, editor-in-chief of the HemaSphere journal, EHA
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| 14.00-14.30| **Governance**  
*Gunhild Waldemar and Michel Ballieu*  
- Accounts 2018  
- BioMed Alliance Membership                                                                 |
| 14.30-15.20| **Update on ongoing activities**  
Influencing Horizon Europe: Steering Board for Health, cooperation with EU based stakeholders to boost health research  
*Axel Pries and Wilfried Ellmeier*  
CME Experts Standing Committee  
*David Vodušek*  
Task Force on Regulatory Affairs and Medical Devices  
*Alan Fraser*  
Task Force on Academic Clinical Trials – what's next  
*Colm O’Morain* |
| 15.20-16.00| **Future directions**  
Proposal for a regulation on Health Technology Assessment and research community involvement  
*Piotr Szymański*  
BioMed Alliance – key player in Brussels ecosystem: relevant stakeholder for EMA, the next Public Private Partnership and the existing Steering mechanisms in the EC  
*Axel Pries and Wilfried Ellmeier*  
BioMed Alliance position on impact of the GDPR on health research  
*Berthold Koletzko* |
| 16.00    | **Conclusions** |