

**Provisional Agenda – 9 June 2021 13:00–16:15 CET**

Time	Topic	Speaker(s)
13:00	Welcome - EFNA and EMEA work in Europe The reality of ME/CFS	Donna Walsh, European Federation of Neurological Associations
13:10	Opening Speaker Keynote	Dr Tedros Ghebreyesus, Director-General, World Health Organisation
<i>What Do We Know?</i>		
13:20	Issues for Policymakers in Europe	EU Directorate-General for Research and Innovation
13:30	Patients' Rights in Europe	Dr Tomislav Sokol MEP, Croatia
13:40	ME/CFS Patients in Europe: Issues for European patients with ME/CFS	Kerstin Heiling, European ME Alliance
13:50	ME/CFS Research in Europe: Issues for Researchers and current lines of research to find causes/treatments	Professor Jonas Bergquist, European ME Research Group
14:00	ME/CFS Clinical Care in Europe: Issues for Clinicians and those tasked with treating people with ME/CFS in Europe	Professor Kristian Sommerfelt, European ME Clinicians Council
14:10	The Challenges for the Pharmaceutical Industry of an under-recognised disease such as ME/CFS	Dr. Jan Schadrack, Global TA Head Neuroscience & Rare Diseases, Roche
14:20	Starting an advanced ME/CFS clinical university hospital based service – addressing standards, services, education, and information	Dr Jens Borman, Umeå County, Sweden
14:30	<b>Break</b>	
<i>Initiatives</i>		
14:45	Clinical Requirements - Views from a national medical society	Dr Jorma Komulainen, Duodecim, Finland
14:55	COVID-19 - Similarities of ME/CFS and Long Covid from the front line	Dr Beata Dela-Jaworska, European ME Clinicians Council
15:05	Long Covid Policy	Tolulope Osigbesan, NCD Alliance
15:15	Lessons from USA	Dr Vicky Whittemore, National Institutes of Health, USA
15:25	A European government model initiative for research and development. Is Netherlands leading the way?	Sabine de Jong, ZonMW, Netherlands
15:35	An EU policy perspective on brain research and health	Frédéric Destrebecq, European Brain Council
<i>Panel Discussion – What do we need to know/What should be done/Can be done</i>		
15:45	The way forward to improve research, clinical expertise and patient care in Europe	Panel-led discussion with EFNA, EMEA, EAN and EBC
16:15	Adjourn	