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## Combating Antimicrobial Resistance – Time for Joint Action

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*The dangers of excessive use of antimicrobials have been known for decades and the emergence of antimicrobial resistance in Europe is undisputed. Research has documented a link between the consumption of antibiotics in animals and resistance development in humans. This calls for collaboration between the human and veterinary sectors across the EU. Innovative ideas and exchanging of best practice are needed. In other words; it is time to take action!*

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Wednesday 14 march

<b>09:30</b>	<b>Registration and coffee</b>
<b>10:45</b>	<b>Opening of the conference</b> <i>Her Royal Highness Crown Princess Mary</i>  Welcome <i>Pia Olsen Dyhr, Danish Minister for Health and Mette Gjerskov, Danish Minister for Food, Agriculture and Fisheries</i>  Video-presentation by John Dalli, Commissioner for Health and Consumer Policy <i>Dr. Martin Seychell, Deputy Director-General for DG Health and Consumers, European Commission</i>  Introduction by conference moderator, <i>Journalist Per Meilstrup</i>
<b>11:40</b>	<b>Session 1: Setting the scene – challenges and opportunities</b>  How can EU contribute to the solutions to the antimicrobial resistance problem globally? <i>Dr. Margaret Chan, Director-General of World Health Organisation (WHO)</i>  The European AMR-challenges from a one-health perspective <i>Dr. Marc Sprenger, Director of European Centre for Disease Prevention and Control (ECDC)</i>
<b>12:15</b>	<b>Lunch</b>
<b>13:15</b>	<b>Session 2: The antimicrobial resistance threat (MRSA, ESBL, CPE)</b>  The human problem of MRSA and ESBL and the question of zoonotic aspect <i>Jan Kluytmanns, Professor in Microbiology and Infection Control at the Amphia hospital in Breda/Netherlands</i>  The transmission of CPE throughout Europe <i>Timothy Walsh, Professor in Medical Microbiology and Infectious Diseases at the Cardiff University School of Medicine</i>
<b>14:00</b>	<b>Session 3: Best Practices</b>  Initiatives taken to reduce antimicrobial resistance in DK and in the EU in the health care sector <i>Niels Frimodt-Møller, Professor and MD at Department of Clinical Microbiology at Hvidovre Hospital</i>  UK experience from policy to frontline delivery (Top-down management in the UK) <i>Professor/Dr. Susan Hopkins (the UCL Division of infection and Immunity/HCAI and AMR Department at the HPA)</i>
<b>14:30</b>	<b>Coffee break</b>

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**15:00**

**Session 3: Best Practices (continued)**

Danish experiences on how data surveillance and collection are used to reduce the use of antibiotics

*Frank Møller Aarestrup, Professor and research manager in the Division for Epidemiology and Microbial Genomics at the National Food Institute at the Technical University of Denmark*

French experiences on how the profession has managed to decrease a number of infections concerning ESBL (MRSA)

*Vincent Jarlier, Professor in Microbiology and Infection Control at the Pitie-Salpetriere hospital in Paris,*

The voluntary efforts made by the Danish industry in agriculture

*Nicolai Nørgaard, Director of the Pig Research Center (VSP) – a division of the Danish Agriculture and Food Council*

**16:00**

**Summarising and prelude to workshops**

*Else Smith, Director of the Danish National Board of Health*

**17:00**

**Voluntary active social event**

*Practical information will follow*

**19:00**

**Conference dinner at Bella Center**



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<b>08:30</b>	<b>Coffee</b>									
<b>09:00</b>	<b>Session 4: Antimicrobial resistance - Socio-economic and health consequences</b> The socio-economic and health consequences of antimicrobial resistance <i>Hajo Grundmann, Professor from the Center for Infectious Disease Epidemiology at the National Institute for Public Health, Netherlands</i>									
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<b>13:45</b>	<b>Session 6: Summary and conclusions in conference plenary</b> Interview session with workshop reporters									
<b>14:20</b>	<b>Closing Remarks</b> <i>Mette Gjerskov, Danish Minister for Food, Agriculture and Fisheries</i>									

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