

**MEP INTEREST GROUP ON BRAIN, MIND AND PAIN: MEETING 1 2019**

**Focus Area: Fighting Stigma, Isolation and Discrimination**

**Meeting Title: Fighting Discrimination at Work**  
*for those affected by neurological disorders and chronic pain conditions*

**March 6<sup>th</sup> 2019, European Parliament, Brussels**  
**16.00 – 18.00hrs**

**Opening Addresses**

MEP Jeroen Lenaers & Joke Jaarsma, President, European Federation of Neurological Associations

**Patient Testimony**

**Impact of Brain, Mind and Pain Disorders on Employment**

**Case-Study 1: Migraine**

*Elena Ruiz de la Torre, Executive Director, European Migraine and Headache Alliance*

**Case-Study 2: Chronic Pain**

*Joop van Griensven, President, Pain Alliance Europe*

**Case-Study 3: Multiple Sclerosis**

*Elisabeth Kasilingam, Managing Director, European Multiple Sclerosis Platform*

**Panel Discussion: What can the EU do to reduce the impact of brain, mind and pain disorders on employment?**

Moderator: Donna Walsh, Executive Director, European Federation of Neurological Associations [EFNA]

*Invited panelists include:*

1. Chrodis+ TBC
2. Brenda O'Brien, EU-OSHA TBC
3. Stecy Yghemonos, Eurocarers TBC

**Keynote Address:** Emmanuelle Grange, DG EMPL [TBC]

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MEP Jeroen Lenaers & Joop van Griensven, President, Pain Alliance Europe

