



**EP Interest Group on Rheumatic and Musculoskeletal Diseases
Meeting IG-9-26/06/2012
AGENDA**

RMDs and pain – facts and findings

26 June 2012, 12:00 to 13:45h

European Parliament, Altiero Spinelli Building (Brussels), room A7F387

TIMING	DESCRIPTION	SPEAKER
12:00-12:15	Coffee / Lunch	
12:15-12:25	Welcome and introduction	MR JIM HIGGINS, MEP (Ireland, EPP), Vice Chair of the Interest Group
12:25-12:40	Links and commonalities between RMDs and pain	PROF GIUSTINO VARRASSI, Former President of EFIC (The European Federation of IASP® Chapters)
12:40-12:55	The pain community's perspective: the "Road Map to Action"	MR JOOP VAN GRIENSVEN, President of PAE (Pain Alliance Europe)
12:55-13:10	The RMD community's perspective on pain	MR NEIL BETTERIDGE, Vice President EULAR/PARE (European League Against Rheumatism, Standing Committee of People with Arthritis/Rheumatism)
13:10-13:40	Discussion with participants	MR JIM HIGGINS, MEP (Ireland, EPP), Vice Chair of the Interest Group
13:40-13:45	Closing remarks	MR JIM HIGGINS, MEP (Ireland, EPP), Vice Chair of the Interest Group