

# Webinar: Enabling meaningful patient contribution to ethical review?

**Note:** *This webinar took place on Thursday 05 March 2015. You can find a video recording and the presentation used during the webinar below.*

## Webinar introduction

The second EUPATI webinar will discuss how patients can contribute to the ethical review of trials and products. As a public-private partnership, EUPATI is ideally placed to generate a broader dialogue on the importance of increased patient involvement in this area.

The upcoming Clinical Trial Regulation gives the following definition for an Ethics Committee:

*(11) ‘Ethics committee’ means an independent body established in a Member State in accordance with the law of that Member State and empowered to give opinions for the purposes of this Regulation, taking into account the views of laypersons, in particular patients or patients’ organisations;*

Article 9 requires that at least one lay person participates in the assessment of the application dossier.

Thus, not only the current but also the future clinical trial legislation will leave the decision to the EU Member States in which ways to include patients into ethical review of clinical trials. Stronger patient involvement in ethical review, however, is more and more considered to be very relevant to ensure that clinical trials really fulfil the patients’ needs and are better manageable. What are current best practices and

considerations for future organization of ethical review in different EU Member States? How should the future look like?

## Webinar agenda

Time	Agenda
17.00	Welcome and introductions <b>Giorgio Barbareschi</b> , <i>EATG</i>
17.10	Patients' involvement in ethics committees. A view from Austria <b>Andrea Heckenberg</b> , <i>Ethics Committee of Vienna Medical University</i>
17.25	The patient's contribution to ethic committees in the Netherlands <b>Bob Wilffert</b>
17.40	Patients' involvement in ethics committees. Spain <b>Emma Fernández de Uzquiano</b> , Hospital Universitario La Paz
18.05	Q & A – Panel members: <b>All presenters</b>
18.30	Close of the Webinar

## Webinar recording

## Webinar presentation

### Presentation 1: The patient's contribution to ethic committees in the Netherlands

Speaker: **Andrea Heckenberg**, *Ethics Committee of Vienna Medical University*

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## **Presentation 2: The patient's contribution to ethic committees in the Netherlands**

Speaker: **Bob Willfert**

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