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Better synergies for health-the role of civil society

Governments often rely on civil society organisations (CSOs) to make essential contributions to health and health systems. Successful collaboration, however, cannot always be taken for granted and there are significant variations between countries in the relationships between governments and CSOs. Therefore, the overarching purpose of this session is to explore how governments and CSOs can better engage with each other and create better synergies for health and health systems. To this end, by using concrete examples of the contributions CSOs are making to health and health systems, we want to concentrate on the following issues:

- the differences in CSO-government relations across Europe and beyond,
- the tools for engagement and the contexts conducive to collaboration.

Keynote presentation

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Panel discussion with panellists from international and national CSOs representing constituencies with interests in issues pertaining to development, diseases, health, patients, professionals and social issues.

The full list of panellists will be announced shortly.

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