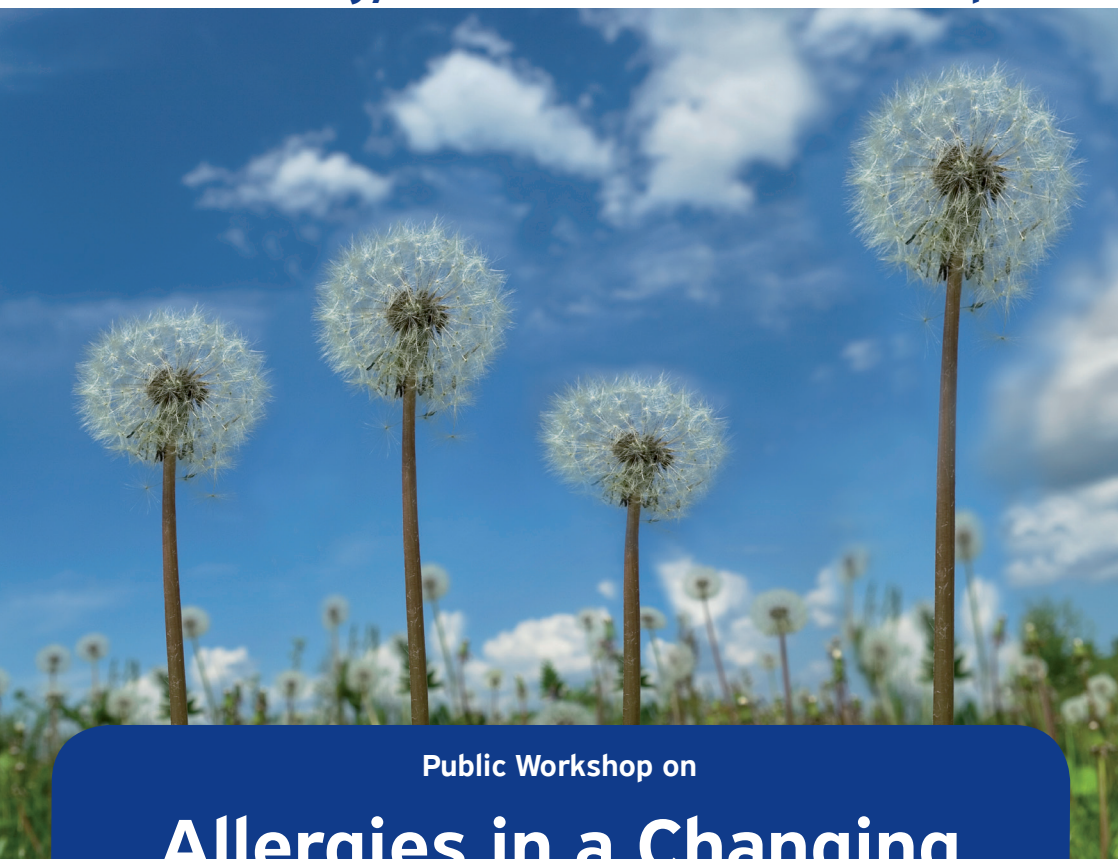




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Aerobiology and Pollution Interest Group



Public Workshop on

Allergies in a Changing Environment in Europe

21 March 2012
12:00 - 14:00
Brussels, Belgium

Public Workshop on ALLERGIES IN A CHANGING ENVIRONMENT IN EUROPE

Allergies are the most prevalent chronic diseases in Europe with a frequency > 20%. Allergic diseases to airborne allergens have been steadily increasing over the past few decades and an end to this increase is not in sight. Especially the younger generations show a higher incidence of allergic diseases. Thus, by the year 2040, 40% of the population will present an allergic predisposition in Europe.

The reasons for this steady increase are unclear. The Interest Group Aerobiology and Air Pollution of the **EAACI** (European Academy of Allergy and Clinical Immunology) is organising a workshop to inform stakeholders about the ongoing and future developments in allergy research in Europe to increase the public awareness for this ongoing epidemic.

This workshop will give up-to-date information about:

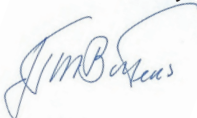
- Current status of allergic diseases in Europe
- Drivers of this allergic epidemic, including neophytes like *Ambrosia artimisiifolia*
- Ongoing EU-funded projects on allergic diseases, like HIALINE, MedALL and others
- Highlight novel developments in allergy therapies
- Identify scientific areas that need additional EU-attention
- Round table public discussion

Renowned speakers, researchers and opinion leaders in research on allergic diseases will take part in this meeting.

Location	EU-Parliament, Brussels - Luxembourg Entrance, Altiero Spinelli Building Room: JAN 6Q1
Date	Wednesday, 21 March 2012, from 12:00 to 14:00
Participants	EU-Members of Parliament, EU-scientific officers, journalists, representatives of patient organisations and other interested stakeholders

We invite you to participate in this workshop and be a part of an event that will cover a very important topic for the future research on allergies. Food and drinks will be provided.

On behalf of the Organising Committee,



Prof. Dr. J. Buters

EUROPEAN ACADEMY OF ALLERGY AND CLINICAL IMMUNOLOGY

The European Academy of Allergy and Clinical Immunology is an association of clinicians, researchers and allied health professionals dedicated to improving the health of people affected by allergic diseases. With over 6,800 individual members and 41 European National Societies, EAACI is the primary source of expertise in Europe for all aspects of allergy.

For more information, please visit www.eaaci.net

AGENDA

12:00	Welcome	15 min.
	Sponsor: Richard Seeber, Austria	
	EAACI: Antonella Muraro, Italy	
	Organiser: Jeroen Buters, Germany	
12:15	Current status of allergic diseases in Europe Jean Bousquet, France	15 min.
12:30	Drivers of the allergic epidemic Peter Burney, UK	15 min.
12:45	Ongoing EU-funded projects on allergic diseases Jeroen Buters, Germany	15 min.
13:00	Novel developments in the treatment of allergies Antonella Muraro, Italy	15 min.
13:15	Changing land use and allergies Carmen Galan, Spain	15 min.
13:30	Round table public discussion Moderation: Jeroen Buters, Germany, and Lorenzo Cecchi, Italy All speakers, sponsor, EAACI and Isabella Annesi-Maesano, France	30 min.
14:00	Official end of workshop	

ABOUT THE SPEAKERS

Dr. Richard Seeber Member of the European Parliament, delegate of the Austrian party ÖVP. EPP co-ordinator of the Committee on the Environment, Public Health and Food Safety.

Prof. Dr. Jean Bousquet MD, Professor of Respiratory Medicine and Allergology (Montpellier University) and Inserm 1018. Prof. Bousquet is specialist in translational and clinical allergology and co-ordinator of the FP7 project MedALL.

Prof. Dr. Peter Burney MD, Professor of Respiratory Epidemiology and Public Health at the National Heart and Lung Institute, UK, and leader of the European Community Respiratory Health Survey. His research focus is on the epidemiology of allergy, asthma and COPD.

Prof. Dr. Jeroen Buters Toxicologist and molecular biologist from the Center of Allergy and Environment, Technische Universität München. His research focus is on the role of biological and chemical aerosols on allergies (www.hialine.eu).

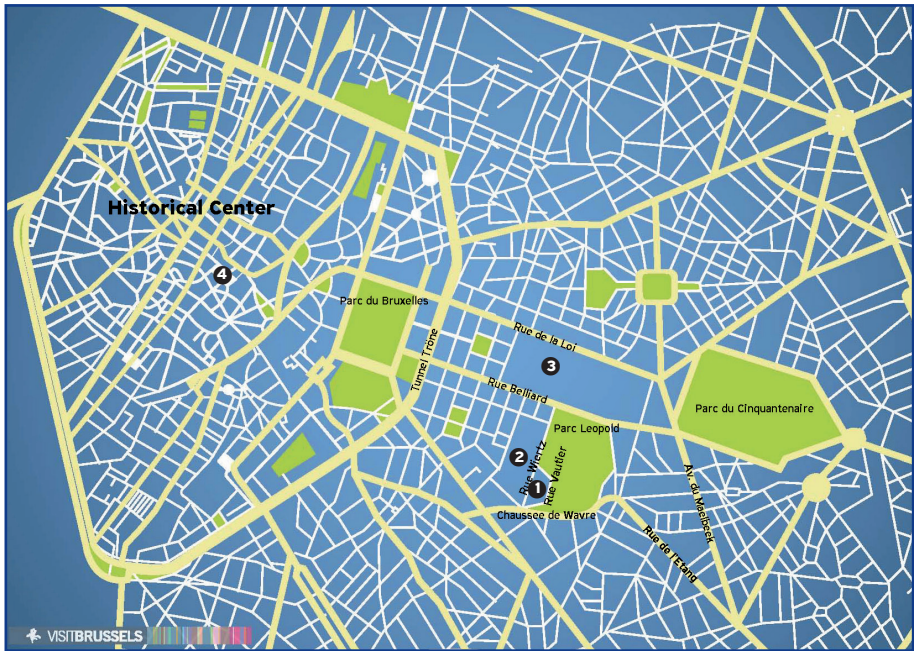
Prof. Dr. Antonella Muraro MD, Allergist with a research focus on food allergies from the University of Padua and Treasurer of EAACI.

Prof. Dr. Carmen Galan Aerobiologist and Vice-Chancellor from the University of Cordoba, co-ordinator of the Spanish Aerobiology Network and member of the group of „Observatory on Health and Climate Change“. Prof. Galan has a research focus on olive pollen.

Prof. Dr. Isabella Annesi-Maesano MD, DSc, PhD, Epidemiologist from INSERM, Paris. Her research focus is on the etiology of asthma and allergy. Prof. Annesi-Maesano is the head of the EAACI Interest Group on Aerobiology and Air Pollution.

Dr. med. Lorenzo Cecchi MD, Allergist and aerobiologist from the University of Florence. His research focus is on environmental allergology.

MAP OF BRUSSELS



- 1 European Parliament**
Luxembourg Entrance, Altiero Spinelli Building, Room: JAN 6Q1
- 2 Brussels-Luxembourg Station**
- 3 Bussels-Schuman Station**
- 4 Grand Place**

To register for this free workshop, please go to: www.hialine.eu/members/registry.php

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