

# INVITATION



Innovative Medicines Initiative

## Innovative Medicines Initiative Information Meeting in Cyprus

Tuesday, 3 July 2012

14.00-17.00

Amphitheatre

The Cyprus Institute of Neurology and Genetics

6 International Airport Avenue

Nicosia



We cordially invite you to the first Innovative Medicines Initiative Information Day in Cyprus that will take place on Tuesday July 3rd, at the Amphitheatre of the Cyprus Institute of Neurology and Genetics (6 International Airport Avenue Nicosia) from 2.00 – 5.00 p.m.

The Minister of Health Dr Stavros Malas, will address the event.

The info meeting is specially addressed to interested parties from the pharmaceutical industry, academia, small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs), patient organizations and regulatory agencies.

The main aim of the event is the establishment of an IMI network in Cyprus, the promotion of current and future IMI calls in the region as well as to overcome challenges for Cyprus to participate in IMI projects.

The Innovative Medicines Initiative (IMI) is Europe's largest public-private initiative aiming to speed up the development of better and safer medicines for patients. With a €2 billion euro budget, IMI supports collaborative research projects and builds networks of industrial and academic experts in Europe that will boost innovation in healthcare. IMI is a joint undertaking between the European Union and the pharmaceutical industry association EFPIA. The European Union contributes €1 billion to the IMI research programme, which is matched by in kind contributions worth at least another €1 billion from the member companies of EFPIA.

### Organizers

- Ministry of Health of the Republic of Cyprus
- Cyprus Research Promotion Foundation (RPF)
- Cyprus Association of Research and Development Pharmaceutical Companies (KEFEA)
- The Cyprus Institute of Neurology and Genetics (CING)

# AGENDA

**14.00-14.20:** Arrival and registration – Coffee

**14.20-14.25:** Welcome and Introduction

**Kleopas A. Kleopa**

*Cyprus Representative to IMI*

**14.25-14.30:** Welcome

**Philippos Patsalis**

*CING Chief Executive Medical Director*

**14.30-14.45:** Introduction to Cyprus  
Health Innovation Agenda

**Stavros Malas**

*Minister of Health*

**14.45-15.00:** Where do we stand with  
Research and Innovation in Cyprus?

**Vassilios Tsakalos**

*RPF Director General*

**15.00-15.15:** The need of developing Research  
and Innovation in Cyprus

**Daan Gijbels**

*KEFEA Vice President*

**15.15-16.00:** Forthcoming IMI calls  
and opportunities

**Michel Goldman**

*IMI Executive Director*

**16.00-17.00:** Legal and practical aspects  
of IMI participation

**Magali Poinot**

*IMI Legal Manager*

Discussion on Specific Actions  
to facilitate Cyprus participation  
in IMI calls, Q&A

**Kleopas A. Kleopa**