

# 12<sup>TH</sup> EUROPEAN CONFERENCE ON RARE DISEASES & ORPHAN PRODUCTS

Action within reach: Pioneering solutions for rare diseases

## PROGRAMME AT A GLANCE

All times are Central European Summer Time (CEST)

**WEDNESDAY 15 MAY, 2024**

08:45 – 09:30	Arrive early! Check in and enjoy a welcome coffee
09:30 – 11:00	Dive into ECRD - Europe's largest, patient-led, rare disease policy-shaping event!
11:00 – 11:30	Comfort break: seize the chance to connect and have fun!
11:30 – 12:30	Learn and pitch your ideas in the Poster Pitch
12:30 – 14:00	Lunchtime! Join the poster scavenger hunt and organise your own side-meetings!
14:00 – 15:30	<b>1. Revolutionising Funding Strategies for Breakthrough Therapies in Rarer Diseases</b> <b>OR</b> <b>2. No Health without Mental Health! Let's Co-create a Mental Health and Wellbeing Toolkit</b>
15:30 – 16:10	Another break for serious fun!
16:10 – 17:15	Join small group discussions on important topics proposed and selected by you!
17:15 – 18:00	Time for the daily news round up!
18:00 – 19:30	Experience a Belgian-themed reception with live cooking stations and a 'mystery ingredients' tasting competition. Enjoy music and engage in structured networking!

# THURSDAY 16 MAY, 2024

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08:30 – 09:00	Grab your welcome coffee, and get ready for action!
09:00 – 09:45	Surprise keynote speaker. Start your day the right way with this interactive catch-up from Day 1 and inspiring keynote speaker!
09:45 – 10:45	Poster Awards and Poster Pitch. Continue learning from one another!
11:00 – 11:30	Comfort break: connect on a personal level while having fun!
11:30 – 13:00	<b>1. The Path Forward for Equitable Diagnosis: Not Leaving the Undiagnosed Behind</b> <b>OR</b> <b>2. Achieving Full Reach: Overcoming the Last Challenges to Access Highly Specialised Care</b>
13:00 – 14:00	Lunch break! Get ready for serious fun and organise your own side-meetings! <b>OR</b> No Health without Mental Health! Let's Co-create a Mental Health and Wellbeing Toolkit
14:00 – 15:30	<b>1. Innovative Therapies, Unequal Access: Bridging the Gap for Rare Disease Treatments</b> <b>OR</b> <b>2. National Plans: Exchanging Best Practices to Forge a Unified European Response to Rare Disease</b>
15:30 – 16:15	Comfort break: create memories together!
16:15 – 16:45	Highlights Hub
16:45 – 17:30	Be part of the closing! Full of calls to action, moments of surprise and delight.