



#EURegionsWeek Workshop

## ***Strengthening Europe's Healthcare Workforce: Attracting and retaining talent in a regional context***

10 October, 11:30 – 12:30

The session, organised on behalf of the CoR's Interregional Group on Health and Wellbeing and in collaboration with the CoR's NAT Commission, will focus on the **shortages, poor working conditions and skills mismatches** that heavily impact health systems' performance and access to care. Attracting and retaining talents in regions is strategic to invert this scenario. This interactive session will unite regional representatives and experts to discuss challenges and solutions to strengthen Europe's health workforce and increasing the sector's attractiveness, aligning with existing EU initiatives like DG REGIO's Harnessing Talent Platform and the Pact for Skills.

### AGENDA

**Moderator: Michele Calabro'**, Director, European Regional and Local Health Authorities (EUREGHA)

Welcome

Welcoming speech

11:30

**Birgitta Sacrédeus**, Chair, Interregional Group on Health and Well-being, European Committee of the Regions  
**Michele Calabro'**, Director, European Regional and Local Health Authorities (EUREGHA)



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**Interventions  
and Panel  
Discussion**

**Recruiting and retaining talents in the healthcare sector -  
Contributions from HOSPEEM – Connecting healthcare  
employers' across Europe**

11:35 – 12:05

**Olena Horlach**, Project and Policy Officer at European Hospital and  
Healthcare Employers' Association (HOSPEEM)

**Improving service models and working conditions -  
Contribution from the Harnessing Talent Platform's Health  
Working Group**

**José Diniz**, Doctor at ULS São José and PhD Candidate in Health  
Data Science at Universidade do Porto

**#RegionsForTalents: Talking health workforce from the  
regional point of view, between practice and policy -  
Contribution from the CoR's Interregional Group on Health  
and Wellbeing**

**Birgitta Sacrédeus**, Chair of the Interregional Group on Health  
and Wellbeing, Committee of the Regions

**Q&A**

**Open debate with the audience**

12:05

Moderated by **Michele Calabro'**, Director, European Regional and  
Local Health Authorities (EUREGHA)

**Closure**

**Closing remarks**

12:25

**Michele Calabro'**, Director, European Regional and Local Health  
Authorities (EUREGHA)

