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OF THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION**
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Germany-Portugal-Slovenia Trio (1 July 2020 – 31 December 2021)

BUILDING A COHERENT AGENDA FOR 18 MONTHS

Updated priorities in the context of covid-19

PROTECTING CITIZENS AND FREEDOMS

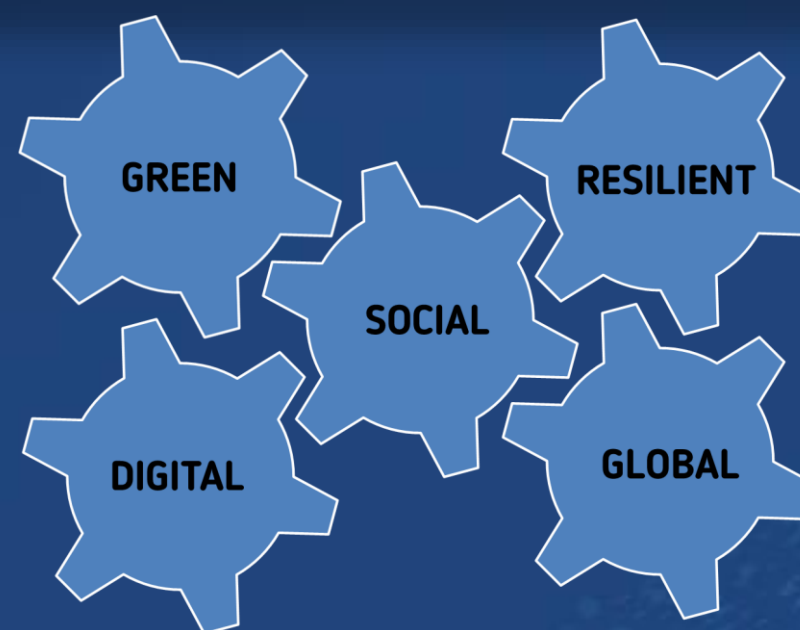
DEVELOPING OUR ECONOMIC BASE: THE EUROPEAN MODEL FOR THE FUTURE

BUILDING A CLIMATE-NEUTRAL, GREEN, FAIR AND SOCIAL EUROPE

PROMOTING EUROPE'S INTERESTS AND VALUES IN THE WORLD



Portuguese Presidency - Main Priorities



A Presidency working to pave the way out of the crisis towards a fairer, greener and more resilient future.

A Presidency contributing to shape a better tomorrow and an inclusive recovery, leaving no one behind.

A Presidency building bridges to enhance global solidarity and partnerships.



Portuguese Presidency – Main Priorities

RESILIENCE

Recovering Europe's economy while enhancing solidarity and values

SOCIAL

Strengthening Europe's social dimension as a response to the crisis and for an inclusive growth

GREEN

Pursuing the European Green Deal towards a climate neutral and an environmentally sustainable economy

DIGITAL

Developing data economy, connectivity and values for equitable, human-centric and competitive digital societies

GLOBAL

Strengthening multilateralism and global partnerships



Portuguese Presidency – Health Priorities

Reinforcing Public Health Cooperation – Building
a European Health Union

Supporting sustainable, equitable and universal
access to medicines and medical devices

Promoting digital health

Strengthening the EU role in Global Health

Tackling COVID-19

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Tackling COVID-19

Update on the Pandemic EU situation

COVID-19 vaccination strategies and
vaccine deployment



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Reinforcing Public Health Cooperation – Building a European Health Union

Building a European Health Union: Reinforcing the EU's resilience for cross-border health threats

Proposal for a Regulation on a reinforced role for the European Medicines Agency in crisis preparedness and management for medicinal products and medical devices

Proposal for a Regulation to amending Regulation (EC) No 851/2004 establishing a European Centre for disease prevention and control

Proposal for a Regulation on on serious cross-border threats to health and repealing Decision No 1082/2013/EU

Portuguese Presidency – Health Priorities

Supporting Sustainable, Equitable and Universal Access to Medicines and Medical Devices

Council Conclusions on Supporting Sustainable, Equitable and Universal Access to Medicines and Medical Devices

Pharmaceutical Strategy for Europe

Regulation on Medical Devices

Regulation on Health Technology Assessment

Portuguese Presidency – Health Priorities

Promoting Digital Health

Increase the digital skills of citizens and health professionals

Improvement of health data infrastructures

Revisit the legal and regulatory framework to allow health data to be made available for multiple uses

Building a data sharing ecosystem, to ensure long-term sustainability

Address existing barriers on the deployment of cross-border Telehealth services

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Strengthening the EU Role in Global Health

Health gains - *One health* approach, responding to the challenges of antimicrobial resistance & vector-borne diseases in the context of climate change

Multilateral context - Global Architecture, with a focus on WHO Reform and the Africa-EU Strategic Partnership

Europe's Beating Cancer Plan

Community approach with regards to Health Promotion in Mental Health

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Council Meetings

Two Formal EPSCO Councils – Health:

16th March (VTC)

15th June, Luxembourg, (In-Person Meeting – tbc)



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Main Events

High Level Conference on strengthening the EU role in Global Health:

- 25th March (VTC)

Council Working Party on Public Health Senior Level:

- 20th April (VTC)

High Level Conference on Access to Medicines and Medical Devices:

- 29th-30th April, Lisbon (In-Person Meeting - tbc)

European Cancer Research Summit 2021 (Joint event with Ministry of Science and Technology):

- 3rd May, Porto (In-Person Meeting - tbc)

4th eHealth Summit:

- 1st-2nd June, Lisbon (In-Person Meeting - tbc)



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Expert Meetings

Joint meeting of the Chief Medical, Dental and Nursing Officers:
•31st March (VTC)

Meeting of the EU Member States Experts Group on Global Health
•8th April (VTC)

Meeting of the EU-Directors for Pharmaceutical Policy
•9th April (VTC)

Meeting of La Valleta Technical Committee
•11th-12th May, Lisbon, (In-Person Meeting - tbc)

19th eHealth Network Meeting
•3rd-4th June, Lisbon, (In-Person Meeting - tbc)

Joint Meeting of the Heads of Medicines Agencies (HMA) and the Competent Authorities for Medical Devices (CAMD)
•7th-9th June, Lisbon, (In-Person Meeting - tbc)



THANK YOU



More information can be obtained on the website: <https://www.2021portugal.eu/en/>