

17<sup>th</sup> November 2011, Berlin  
**EuroDRG Final Conference**



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Results and Policy Implications

08:00 – 09:00 **Registration**

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09:00 – 10:30 **DRGs in Europe: Moving towards transparency, efficiency and quality in hospitals?**

- Understanding DRGs in Europe. The EuroDRG project (Reinhard Busse)
  - The development of European patient classification systems (Conrad Kobel)
  - What do we know about the impact of DRGs on quality and efficiency? (Zeynep Or)
  - Discussion & Launch of the EuroDRG book (Miriam Wiley)
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10:30 – 11:00 *Coffee break*

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11:00 – 12:30 **European DRG systems – how they work and perform for ten episodes of care (e.g. appendectomy, acute myocardial infarction, birth/ delivery, breast cancer, cholecystectomy, hip implant, stroke)**

- Patient classification and DRG-based payments in Europe (Wilm Quentin)
  - The ability of DRG systems to explain variations in resource consumption (Andrew Street)
  - The relationship of quality and costs in European hospitals (Unto Häkkinen)
  - Discussion (Reinhard Busse)
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12:30 – 14:00 *Lunch*

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14:00 – 15:00 **Panel discussion – Implications for Europe**

Implications and conclusions of the EuroDRG project for the EU and collaboration among member states, e.g.: Is it worth the effort for each country to develop its own system? How to collaborate in DRG development and usage? Which system would best suit European patients?  
(Moderator: Josep Figueras, Panelists: Christopher Schmidt, Martti Virtanen, Luca Lorenzoni, Maria Swiderek, Peter C. Smith)

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15:00 – 15:15 *Coffee break*

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15:15 – 16:15 **Panel discussion – Implications for countries considering DRGs**

Implications and conclusions of the EuroDRG project for hospital payment reforms in countries considering the introduction of a DRG system, e.g.: What are the preconditions? Which system to choose? How to begin? What are the pitfalls to be avoided?  
(Moderator: John C. Langenbrunner, Panelists: Sevil Salakhutdinova, Yingxu Zhao, Gergana Pavlova, Predrag Djukic)

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16:15 – 16:30 **Concluding remarks**

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