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PGEU's Nomination: Health Providers Representative

PGEU confirms its interest in being one of the Health Providers representatives in the HTA Stakeholder Pool in the person of Antonio Grasso, Economic and Information Analyst at PGEU.

Being aware of the heterogeneity of our Health providers group, PGEU believes it is crucial for nominated representatives to be able to effectively communicate between all members and timely report on activities of the HTA Network. As such, PGEU can offer a wide experience in liaising between institution-led platforms and/or expert groups and their stakeholders.

In his current role at PGEU, Antonio has taken part in several institutions' fora and initiatives, such as EIP AHA Partnership, OECD Health Forum and its WGs. He also represented PGEU in the EUnetHTA Forum. In addition, PGEU is a regular member of several expert groups including for the European Medicines Agency, European Centre for Disease Prevention and Control, the European Commission and several European funded projects.

Furthermore, PGEU can also rely on the diverse range of professional expertise of its team to represent Providers as one voice in HTA Network meetings. As Antonio is economist by training, his competences include key analytical tools in health economics, such as cost-benefit and cost effectiveness analysis, often applied to HTA. Recently, he contributed to the PGEU's response to the HTA Public consultation called by the European Commission, addressing the economic evaluation of HTA processes.

In conclusion, PGEU believes to have the skills, experience and network contacts to constructively and actively represent Health providers in the HTA Stakeholder Pool.

Yours sincerely,

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