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Closure of the EU Platform for Action on Diet, Physical Activity and Health

Dear Sir or Madam,

This is to inform you that the activities of the European stakeholder platform – the EU Platform for Action on Diet, Physical Activity and Health – have been discontinued, both physically and virtually. The last meeting of the group was organised in the latter part of 2018, and therefore this note focuses on the follow-up.

In light of the new key political priorities, the Commission has decided that the activities on nutrition and physical activity would, in the future, focus on the implementation of the Sustainable Development Goals, through the identification and rollout of best practices facilitated by the Steering Group on Health Promotion, Disease Prevention and Management of Non-Communicable Diseases (SGPP)¹.

In this respect, discussions between the Commission, Member State authorities, stakeholder groups and health professionals on issues related to public health, nutrition and obesity will be held on the EU Health Policy Platform², where all stakeholders are invited to share information regarding their activities.

In addition, stakeholder groups and health professionals are welcome to join the new Beating Cancer Stakeholder Contact Group established on the EU Health Policy Platform, provided that they comply with the specific membership criteria stated under the above mentioned network.

Please note that an equivalent decision has been made regarding the High Level Group on Nutrition and Physical activity bringing together EU and EFTA government representatives.

The Commission remains committed to helping Member States and civil society organisations to reach the Sustainable Development Goals including our common objectives on obesity and non-communicable diseases including cancer.

I look forward to future exchanges between the Commission and key health stakeholders.

Yours faithfully,

John-F RYAN

¹ https://ec.europa.eu/health/non_communicable_diseases/steeringgroup_promotionprevention_en

² <https://webgate.ec.europa.eu/hpf/>