

Institution	Description	Link
<p><b>Party of European Socialists Manifesto Set to Prioritise Health</b></p>	<p><b>Party of European Socialists</b></p> <p>On 10 November, the Party of European Socialists (PES) adopted a resolution which details 25 priorities set to be included in the PES election manifesto for the 2024 European Union elections. Amongst other priorities, it sets out to protect citizens through transitions by moving towards affordable and accessible quality care and healthcare for all by implementing Principle 16 of the European Pillar of Social Rights and improving the health emergency governance framework of the EU. In addition, the resolution also formulates the ambition to include the proposed European Health Union, envisioned by some (e.g., French President Emmanuel Macron) since the Covid-19 pandemic, in a future revised EU Treaty, and to introduce the right of initiative for the European Parliament. The PES also seeks to increase EU action in relation to non-communicable or chronic diseases, and to promote increasing the ratio of medical practitioners per inhabitant.</p>	<p><a href="#">LINK</a></p>
<p><b>Manifesto Dates</b></p>	<p>Political Groups</p> <p>The Europe-wide political parties are confirming dates to adopt their election manifestos and choose their Spitzenkandidaten.  Greens: 2-4 February in Lyon  EPP: 6-7 March in Bucharest  Liberals: March 21 in Brussels  Socialists: TBA</p>	
<p><b>Kidney Health MEPs Standing</b></p>	<p>European Parliament</p> <p>MEPs in the MEP Group for Kidney Health Confirmed Standing Again:  Hilde Vautmans (Renew), Ondřej Knotek (Renew), Peter Liese (EPP), Jutta Paulus (Greens-EFA), Sara Matthieu (Greens-EFA)</p>	
<p><b>ENVI Committee MEP Standing</b></p>	<p>ENVI Committee</p> <p>ENVI MEPs confirmed to stand again:  Pascal Canfin (Renew), Mohammed Chahim (S&amp;D), Nathalie Colin-Oesterlé (EPP), Peter Liese (EPP), Marina Mesure (Left), Tilly Metz (Greens-EFA), Dolors Montserrat (EPP), Grace O'Sullivan (Greens-EFA), Jutta Paulus (Greens-EFA), Alexandr Vondra (ECR), Tiemo Wolken (S&amp;D)</p> <p>ENVI MEPs not standing again:  Margrete Auken (Greens-EFA), Yannick Jadot (Greens-EFA), Stanislav Polčák (EPP), Nils Torvalds (Renew), Pernille Weiss (EPP)</p>	
<p><b>Open VLD Selects Front-Runner MEP for European elections</b></p>	<p>ALDE Party</p> <p>The ALDE Party's Belgian affiliate, Open VLD, announced their choice of Hilde Vautmans MEP (Chair of the MEP Group for Kidney Health) as their front-runner for the upcoming European elections set for next year. Vautmans, who also serves as President of the European Liberal Forum within the ALDE Party Bureau, steps into the role previously held by the seasoned Belgian Prime Minister and ALDE Group leader, Guy Verhofstadt MEP. Verhofstadt had been the Open VLD's lead candidate for three consecutive European elections.</p>	<p><a href="#">LINK</a></p>