



Report about a Workshop

“ALTERNATIVE MEDICINES”

held by the Committee on the Environment, Public Health and Food Safety – ENVI , European Parliament, 30 November 2011

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The agenda gives two hours and the speakers have been the following:

MEP Glenis Willmott, MEP Alojz Peterle, Dr.Yu Han (TCM),

Dr. Harsha Gramminger (Ayurvedic Medicine), Dr. Ton Nicolai (Homeopathy),

Dr. Andreas Buchinger (Fasting), Dr. Natasha Campbell-McBride (Nutritherapy),

Dr. Aleksandar Mitov (Thermoregulation) and Dr. Elio Rossi (CAM for Cancer)

Details and impressions from the meeting:

Chaired by Dr. Peterle, MEP who is one of the co-chairs for the ENVI-Working Group on Health.

From DG Sanco Mr Rys was present and once again, as he had appeared at the Green Party meeting, although he was sympathetic and interested in the alternative healthcare systems, politically he could not say anything openly regarding any development taking place in CAM other than what we are aware of already.

This was another event where there was open presentation of a broad spectrum of alternative healthcare systems, exclusively presented by medically trained doctors, who seem to be the only ones acceptable at this

stage. Although this was a fairly formal event, it was also another chance for us to mingle and network and demonstrate that we are equal partners and should be included in discussions regarding CAM policy in Europe. We have already been contacted by one of the MEPs to help them investigate an initiative against THMPD (Traditional Herbal Medical Products Directive).

If we weren't there then we would have no input....

More workshops of this type will be scheduled.