



Patients with allergy and respiratory diseases ask to vote for health and prevention in EP elections 2014!

European Federation of Allergy and Airways Diseases Patients' Associations (EFA), has today launched its Manifesto for 2014 European Parliament Elections. Aim of the Manifesto is to call on the Members of Parliament to commit themselves to three priority areas which are sub-divided into fourteen actions to improve health and quality of life of people with asthma, allergy and chronic obstructive pulmonary disease in Europe. The three priorities are as follows:

- 1. Develop an EU strategy on chronic diseases with disease specific chapters;**
- 2. Invest in prevention – tackle health determinants;**
- 3. Help ensuring equal access to care for each patient.**

We believe that following the objectives of the Manifesto would improve the quality of life and well-being of patients with allergies and respiratory diseases in Europe, as well as guarantee healthy ageing for all EU citizens and make the healthcare systems more sustainable.

To sign the Manifesto, find more information and download the PDF version, please visit <http://manifesto.efanet.org/>.

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The **European Federation of Allergy and Airways Diseases Patients' Associations** (EFA) is a non-profit network of allergy, asthma and COPD patients' organisations, representing 35 national associations in 22 countries and over 400,000 patients. EFA is dedicated to making Europe a place where people with allergies, asthma and COPD have the right to best quality of care and safe environment, live uncompromised lives and are actively involved in all decisions influencing their health. www.efanet.org