

Norica Nicolai

Member of the MEP Group on Rare Bleeding Disorders European Parliament ALDE

Romania

Norica Nicolai is the vice-chair of the ALDE Group in the European Parliament and one of the strongest liberal voices in Romania. She has been a member of the European Parliament since 2009 and has been active in, amongst others, the Foreign Affairs Committee, the Committee for Security and Defence, Women's Rights and Gender Equality Committee. This allowed her to familiarise herself, not only with different political conflicts and situations, but also with their impacts on people's life. In addition, at the start of her second mandate in 2014, she became a member of the Fisheries Committee in the European Parliament. She also decided to use her notoriety and energy to get involved in social causes such as access to treatment and to information for people with rare diseases; she became a promoter of more campaigns regarding the problems of infertility among European citizens and has been lobbying for their rights.

Mrs Nicolai started her political career as deputy-minister in the Ministry of Labour in Romania back in 1995 and she was in charge of, among other things, the domain of gender equality. In addition, from this position, she actively implemented the *acquis communautaire* in Romania, creating and implementing many laws regarding issues of women's rights.

She was also a member of the Romanian Senate from 2000 to 2008 where she was part of the Judicial Committee and the Defence Committee, and held the position of Vice-president of the Senate for the duration of one year.

Lastly, Mrs. Nicolai holds a degree from the School of Law of the University in Bucharest.



Miroslav Mikolášik

MEP – EPP Slovakia

Member of MEP Group on Rare Bleeding Disorders of the European Parliament **Miroslav Mikolášik** is Member of the European Parliament since 2004. He is Member of the Committee on the Environment, Public Health and Food Safety and Member of the Informal Rare Bleeding Disorders Group within the European Parliament

He is a very strong supporter of the European Haemophilia Consortium, participating in several EHC Round Tables in the past (e.g. Round Table on Rare Bleeding Disorders and Orphan Drugs, 2014; World Haemophilia Day, 2016). Dr. Mikolášik's work in the European Parliament revolves around access to life-saving medicines in Europe and paediatric medicines.



Dan Hart

Honorary Consultant Haematologist

The Royal London Hospital Haemophilia Centre

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United Kingdom

Dan Hart is a senior lecturer in haematology and immunobiology at Barts and The London School of Medicine, Queen Mary University London and an Honorary Consultant Haematologist at The Royal London Hospital Haemophilia Centre, Barts Health NHS Trust.

He graduated from Bristol University Medical School in 1995, then worked in South-Western England and then in Queensland, Australia. He returned to the UK in 2000 to complete his specialist training at University College London (UCL) Hospital and his Haemophilia fellowship at The Royal Free Hospital and Great Ormond Street Hospital in London, UK in 2009. He received his PhD in Cellular Immunology from UCL in 2009.

He is part of a multidisciplinary haemophilia team at one of the country's largest haemophilia centres and has an evolving research programme at Barts and The London School of Medicine and Dentistry exploring immunological complications of haemophilia treatment using computational biology, proteomics and next generation sequencing strategies. The clinical haemophilia team at The Royal London, run clinical trials including gene therapy in severe haemophilia A, emerging non-factor novel agents and extended half-life factor products.

Additional work includes leading a national study into the application of population pharmacokinetic tools and collaborating with colleagues in dental, physiotherapy and health psychology to explore novel treatment strategies. He is currently the chairman of the UK Haemophilia Centre Doctors' Organisation (UKHCDO) Inhibitor Working Party and Co-Deputy Speciality Lead for the UK National Institute of Health Research Clinical Research Network (NIHR-CRN).

Dr Hart has an interest in developing world haematology, leading his hospital's twinning project with Dhaka, Bangladesh, and is a founding member of the British Society of Haematology Global Haematology committee. He has contributed to haemophilia teaching programmes in Central Europe, Middle East, North Africa and South East Asia.



Declan Noone

EHC Partners Programme Consultant

Ireland

Declan Noone worked with the Irish Haemophilia Society (I.H.S) for eight years as Data and Public Policy Specialist. His main responsibilities included membership of the national tender board for the purchase of products for the treatment of haemophilia and other related conditions. He also worked on the area of Hepatitis C and access to treatments. He currently works with the EHC as Project consultant on the PARTNERS Programme as well as other projects relating to haemophilia.

He was previously a member of the WFH Board of Directors and was a member of the Educational Materials, Data and Demographics and Safety and Supply Committees. He was also chair of the EHC Data and Economics Committee. He has co-authored papers on the quality of life in people with haemophilia, access to haemophilia care in Europe and WFH and EHC Monographs. He has degrees in Mechanical Engineering and Health Economics.



Dr Cristian-Silviu Busoi

MEP – EPP Romania

Member of the MEP Group on Rare Bleeding Disorders of the European Parliament **Dr. Cristian-Silviu Buşoi** is a Romanian physician and Member of the European Parliament. He is a member of the European People's Party and is currently a member of the Committee on Environment, Public Health & Food Safety Committee (ENVI). He was a member of the Romanian Chamber of Deputies for Timiş County from 2004 - 2007, he was a Member of the European Parliament from 2007 - 2013, and he re-joined the European Parliament in 2014.

Highly involved in healthcare topics, Dr. Buşoi has been a strong supporter of the European Haemophilia Consortium, co-chairing the Mild and Moderate Haemophilia Round Table in 2015 and being a member of the informal Rare Bleeding Disorders Group in the European Parliament. Alongside with Dr. Kovatchev, he is also the co-chair of the informal interest group in the European Parliament on Patient Access to Healthcare and the Friends of the Liver Group.



Sebastian Rohde RPP Group Chairman of the Board & Partner

Belgium



Dr Caroline Voltz -Girolt

EMA Product Lead in Oncology, Haematology and Diagnostics at European Medicines Agency

United Kingdom

Sebastian Rohde is Chairman of the Board & a Partner of RPP Group. After several years as head of Government Affairs and Public Affairs in Europe of a multinational and leading healthcare company specialising in pharmaceuticals, biotechnology and medical devices, Sebastian Rohde founded RPP in 2002. He has since developed the company into a strong consulting firm with a variety of integrated services.

Dr Caroline Voltz-Girolt has been working for the EMA for the past 9 years where she has held different positions and has worked on several projects. She worked in the pharmaceutical industry before joining the EMA. She is currently working as an EPL in Oncology, Haematology and Diagnostics Office, here she is currently in charge of the secretariat of the Blood Products Working Party. She also has a specific expertise in ATMPs and is a member of the Innovation Task Force and the CPAS (Classification of post-authorisation studies). She coordinated the 2015 revision of EMA's GVP Risk Management Plan.



Nessa Childers

MEP - S&D as Non-Party member Ireland

Member of the MEP Group on Rare Bleeding Disorders of the European Parliament **Nessa Childers** was elected to represent the Blackrock area on Dún Laoghaire / Rathdown County Council as a Green party councillor in 2004 and during this time served as part of the Dublin Regional Authority. She resigned her council seat in August 2008 and joined the Labour Party.

In the following year she was elected as a Member of the European Parliament for the Ireland East Constituency. She resigned from the party in July 2013. In May 2014 Nessa Childers was re-elected as an independent member of the European parliament and joined the Group of the Progressive Alliance of Socialists and Democrats as a non-party member.