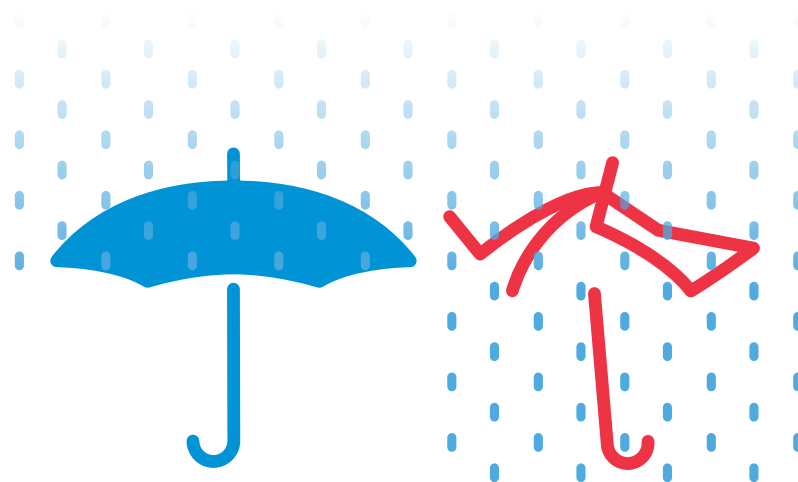


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Agenda

Time	Session and content	Speakers and moderators
Day 1 – Wednesday 14 June		
08.00–09.00	Registration	
09.00–09.15	Opening ceremony	
09.15–10.30	Session 1 Can people afford to pay for health care? Summary of the new regional report on financial protection in Europe (Pau Gil room) Panel discussion How do the report's findings contribute to the international agenda? Reflections on key messages of the report	Speaker: Sarah Thomson, WHO Barcelona Office Panel Natasha Azzopardi Muscat, WHO/Europe Francesca Colombo, OECD Josep Figueras, European Observatory Joe Kutzin, Results for Development (R4D) Katarzyna Ptak-Bufkens, European Commission Moderator: Tamás Evetovits
10.30–11.00	Break	
11.00–12.15	Session 2 Addiction to a bad idea: basing entitlement to health care on payment of contributions (Pau Gil room) Panel discussion Why should the health system work for the tax agency?	Speaker: Abdo Yazbeck, Johns Hopkins University School of Public Health Panel: Zeynep Or (France), Maris Jesse (Estonia), Rita Baeten (Belgium), Antoniya Dimova (Bulgaria) & Abdo Yazbeck Moderators: Sarah Thomson & Tamás Evetovits
12.15–12.30	Group photo session	
12.30–13.45	Lunch	
13.45–14.45	Session 3 There is no escape from rationing: how do countries deal with trade-offs in access to health care? (Pau Gil room) Panel discussion Country experience with coverage policy and instruments for rationing	Speakers: Joe Kutzin, R4D & Dimitra Panteli, European Observatory Panel: Steve Thomas (Ireland), Akaki Zoidze (Georgia), Ruth Waitzberg (Israel), Ewout van Ginneken (European Observatory) & Dimitra Panteli Moderators: Jon Cylus & Triin Habicht
14.45–15.15	Break	

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15.15–16.15	Session 4 Spotlight on financial protection in selected countries	
	Parallel session 1 (Pau Gil room) Overcoming obstacles to better financial protection in Belgium Speaker: Nicolas Bouckaert, Belgian Health Care Knowledge Centre Panel: Ewa Grabiak & Rita Baeten Moderators: Sarah Thomson & Jon Cylus	Parallel session 2 (Cambó room) Financial protection in Spain : filling remaining gaps in coverage Speaker: José Cerezo, WHO Almaty Office Panel: Marisol Rodriguez Martinez, María José Lopez Medina & Álex Brenchat Moderators: María Serrano & Teresa Capel Tatjer
16.15–16.30	Break	
16.30–17.15	Session 5 (Pau Gil room) Launch of UHC watch – a new online platform	Presenters: Jorge Alejandro García Ramírez & Lynn Al Tayara, WHO Barcelona Office
17.30–18.30	Tour of the Sant Pau Art Nouveau Site (optional 1st offering)	
19.00–22.00	Reception followed by dinner at Sant Pau	

Day 2 – Thursday 15 June

09.00–10.30	Session 1 Why do so many countries have user charges in spite of the evidence? (Pau Gil room) Panel discussion What works to protect people from user charges? Moderators: Sarah Thomson & Jon Cylus	Speaker: Mylène Lagarde, London School of Economics and Political Science Panel: Katri Aaltonen (Finland), Miriam Blümel (Germany), Babis Economou (Greece) & Mylène Lagarde Moderators: Sarah Thomson & Jon Cylus
10.30–11.00	Break	
11.00–12.30	Session 2 Can Lisa afford to pay for medicines? (Pau Gil room) Panel discussion How can countries improve the coverage of medicines? Moderators: Triin Habicht & Lynn Al Tayara	Speaker: Tamás Evetovits, WHO Barcelona Office Panel: Gintaras Kacevicius (Lithuania), Kaija Kasekamp (Estonia), Neda Milevska (North Macedonia & AIPO), Saltanat Moldoisaeva (Kyrgyzstan), Sarah Garner (WHO) Moderators: Triin Habicht & Lynn Al Tayara
12.30–13.45	Lunch	
13.45–15.00	Session 3 Spotlight on financial protection in selected countries	
	Parallel session 1 (Pau Gil room) The Western Balkans: financial protection in North Macedonia Speaker: Vladimir Dimkovski, Consulting Group Curatio Sarl. Panel: Natasa Terzic, Nejsi Lleshi, Dragana Atanasijevic, Luka Voncina & Vladimir Dimkovski Moderators: Baktygul Akkazieva & Marina Karanikolos	Parallel session 2 (Cambó room) Ukraine: launch of the second report on financial protection Speaker: Nataliia Shapoval, Kyiv School of Economics Panel: Aron Aregay, Oleksii Merkushev, Ievgenii Gonchar & Kaija Kasekamp Moderators: Jarno Habicht & Solomiya Kasyanchuk
15.00–15.30	Break	
15.30–16.30	Session 4 (Paul Gil room) Can countries afford financial protection? Closing panel and plenary discussion Moderators: Jon Cylus & Triin Habicht	Speaker: Joe Kutzin, R4D Panel: Chris James (OECD), Xu Ke (WHO Geneva), Sarah Thomson & Abdo Yazbeck Moderators: Jon Cylus & Triin Habicht
16.30–16.45	Closure	
17.30–18.30	Tour of the Sant Pau Art Nouveau Site (optional 2nd offering)	