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Subject: **Employment, Social Policy, Health and Consumer Affairs Council**
meeting on 16 June 2017
Health Symposium, European Forum Alpbach 2017
– *Information from the Austrian Delegation*
(Any Other Business item)

Delegations will find attached an information note from the Austrian Delegation on the above mentioned subject.

Health Symposium, European Forum Alpbach 2017

The **European Forum Alpbach** is an annual convention that hosts a series of symposia ranging from politics, economics, education, technology, and health. Apart from bringing together participants from over 60 nations, experts, researchers, professionals, and students in lectures, panels, and break-out session it is also pleasantly located in the beautiful mountain scenery of the Tyrol. Founded in 1945, the Forum has been taking place every summer for seventy years with the goal to promote democracy, European integration and sustainable development. This year's **Health Symposium** will take place **August 20th-22nd**, and the overarching theme will be **Conflict and Cooperation**. As we see many issues within health policy being perfectly described through this year's theme, the Ministry of Health and Women's Affairs of Austria has decided to host a panel on access to innovative drugs, in the morning of August 21st. We would like to invite all Member States to join us this year in Alpbach.
