

**MEP INTEREST GROUP ON BRAIN, MIND AND PAIN: MEETING 1 2019**

**Focus Area: Fighting Stigma, Isolation and Discrimination**

**Meeting Title: Fighting Discrimination at Work**

*for those affected by neurological disorders and chronic pain conditions*

**March 6<sup>th</sup> 2019, Room JAN 6Q2, European Parliament,  
Brussels**

**16.00 – 18.00hrs**

**16.00hrs: Opening Addresses**

MEP Jeroen Lenaers

Joke Jaarsma, President, European Federation of Neurological Associations

**16.15hrs: Impact of Brain, Mind and Pain Disorders on Employment**

**Migraine**

*Elena Ruiz de la Torre, Executive Director, European Migraine and Headache Alliance*

**Chronic Pain**

*Joop van Griensven, President, Pain Alliance Europe*

**Multiple Sclerosis**

*Elisabeth Kasilingam, Managing Director, European Multiple Sclerosis Platform*

**Informal Carers**

*Francesca Centola, Project Officer, Eurocarers*

**17.00hrs: Questions and Discussion – with audience participation**

*Moderated by EFNA Executive Director, Donna Walsh*

**17.30hrs: Keynote Address: What can the EU do to reduce the impact of brain, mind and pain disorders on employment?**

*Emmanuelle Grange, Head of Unit, Disability and Inclusion, DG EMPL*

**17.50hrs: Conclusions and Close**

*Joop van Griensven, President, Pain Alliance Europe*

