

**Conference “Early diagnosis / early referral: health,
social and economic impacts of RMDs”**

Date: 23rd February 2017

Venue: Sala da Biblioteca (Library room), Portuguese Parliament

09:30 – 10:00	Registration/Welcome coffee
10:00 – 10:05	Welcome / introduction at the conference Moderator name tbc
10:05 – 10:10	Welcome Speech Dr. Eduardo Ferro Rodrigues, President of the Assembly of the Republic tbc
10:10 – 10:25	European management approach on early referral Prof. Gerd Rüdiger Burmester (President of EULAR)
10:25 – 10:40	The role of Health Professionals in early diagnosis and timely treatment Prof. Christina Opava Eular VP representing HPs
10:40 – 10:55	Early referral to Rheumatology in Portugal Dr. José Canas da Silva (President of SPR)
10:55 – 11:10	(Simple) Economics of RMDs Prof. Pedro Pita Barros
11:10 – 11:25	Burden of RMDs in Portugal Dr. Francisco George (Director of DGS)
11:25 – 11:40	What should be done Elsa Mateus (President of LPCDR)
11:40 – 12:20	Round table: Portuguese Society of Rheumatology (SPR), Directorate-General of Health (DGS), Health Committee of the Portuguese Parliament, LPCDR, EULAR (European League against Rheumatism) Vice president representing PARE (People with Arthritis/Rheumatism in Europe), Chair of EULAR SC of PARE, EULAR Public Affairs, Portuguese Health Professionals.
12:20 – 12:30	Closing Remarks