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**One Health Cross Agency Task Force Joint Framework for Action:
Inquiry on the possibility of accrediting MedTech Europe as a stakeholder**

Dear Executive Directors,

Dear Mrs Cooke, Mrs Rendi-Wagner, Mrs McGuinness, Mrs Ylä-Mononen and Mr Url,

Following the [joint statement](#) of the five Agencies EMA, EEA, ECDC, ECHA and EFSA on how to deliver 'Cross-agency knowledge for One Health Action', the dedicated One Health Cross Agency Task Force published in May 2024 its [Joint Framework for Action](#) for the period 2024-2026.

MedTech Europe, the trade association for the medical technology industry in Europe, welcomes the collaboration of the five Agencies to strengthen cooperation in support of the implementation of the One Health agenda in the EU. Recognising the interdependence of people, animals, plants and ecosystems when addressing threats to health and well-being, such as climate adaptation or environmental degradation, can only contribute to more holistic and consistent science-based crisis and policy responses, including to the benefit of patients and healthcare practitioners.

Among others, the Task Force aims at helping to coordinate the agencies' contributions to One Health vis-à-vis relevant stakeholders with a view to making the EU and its Member States better able to prevent and respond to health threats. The Joint Action Programme particularly foresees to strengthen One Health communication and stakeholders' engagement and supports the development of partnerships through joint One Health activities. It announces to establish regular dialogues between EU agencies, the European Commission and One Health stakeholders, including industry, to foster mutual understanding of the One Health principles and support the integration of One Health principles into relevant policies.

MedTech Europe is seeking clarification on how the Cross Agency Task Force envisages gathering and involving medical technology-specific expertise, input, data and information considering that the medtech sector does not comprehensively fall within the remit of the five agencies but should be consulted as it provides a broad variety of different solutions for health protection.

MedTech Europe kindly inquires on the possibility of being accredited as a medical technology stakeholder in the forum and the regular dialogues that the task force announces to hold with external stakeholders. We remain available for providing any further information that you may require and thank you in advance for your consideration.

Yours sincerely,



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