

Il Presidente

**European Health Parliament**  
*Brussels, 6th February 2019*

Dear Dr Gatialová,

Dear Members of the European Health Parliament,

Thank you for your engagement in building a healthier and more innovative Europe. You are the voice of thousands of young professionals across the healthcare sector.

Digital technology has become an integral part of our daily lives: from transport to work to communications and study.

It is also changing how we take care of the sick. Digital infrastructure, advanced telemedicine, robotics and artificial intelligence are the new frontier of healthcare.

Improving the exchange of data and prevention is crucial to making healthcare systems more effective and accessible.

To exploit the potential of the digital revolution we should invest in training and learning. This is the only way to give patients and professionals what they need.

The Report on Health Technology Assessment adopted by the European Parliament last October goes in this direction. It calls for urgent investment in innovative technologies and joint clinical assessments.

The future of healthcare requires integration, patient empowerment and a dynamic role for professionals.

Patients should be at the centre of healthcare systems in all Member States.

To this end, we are proposing to ensure a health dimension in our next EU Budget.

The European Parliament is asking for appropriate funding levels in the European Social Fund, Digital Europe and Horizon Europe Programmes.

In addition, we are requesting a specific health programme with a budget of 480 million euros.

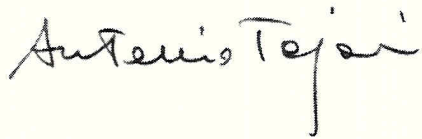
EU healthcare system efficiency is our first challenge. For this, it is also important to foster synergies at Member State level.

Today, patients, researchers, healthcare professionals and policymakers have to join forces for a new health plan in all the European Union.

Your policy recommendation are an important contribution to this major debate.

To achieve this goal, we need your support.

Thanks for your engagement!

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Antonio Tajani". The signature is written in a cursive style with a prominent initial 'A' and a long, sweeping tail on the 'i'.

**Antonio Tajani**