



On June 01, 2023 Bulgarian Association for Drug Information (BADI) organized and held the **Annual International Congress: Annual Congress of BADI 2023 – Pharmaceutical strategy – update** |Venue: University Hospital & Aula "Prof. Dr. Alexandar Chirkov".

The event was attended by leading experts from Bulgaria and the EU as guests and speakers - Prof. Dr. Barbara Sickmueller, Lena Gebert, M.D.R.A., Dr. Peter Bachmann, Dr. Christa Wirthumer-Hoche, Prof. Dr. Folker Spitzenberger were the foreign speakers, who presented the latest news from the industry, and from the Bulgarian side - Prof. Tatyana Benisheva, Assoc. Prof. Maria Dimitrova, MD, Dr. Desislava Tonova and Dr. Veska Gergova.

The directors of the Bulgarian Drug Agency (BDA) and the National Council on Prices and Reimbursement of Medicinal Products - Mag. Pharm. Bogdan Kirilov and Prof. Mila Vlaskovska opened the event with welcoming words, and the Minister of Health - Dr. Asen Medzhidiev sent a congratulatory address on the occasion of the Annual Congress of BADI.

The event was attended by nearly 100 people, including representatives from regulatory authorities, industry, academia and others.

The event reflected the latest trends in pharmaceutical strategy. They will significantly affect changes in generic and innovative medicines - there will be major improvements and shortening of the authorization procedures, as well as phase-outs, as well as changes in the period of exclusivity for innovative medicines, rare disease medicines and such with unsolved health problems (unmet medical needs).

Also presented were the latest changes regarding the new CTIS portal (EMA) for the authorization of clinical trials at EU level, as well as the latest changes to medical devices and submission and approval deadlines in relation to HTA Regulation (EU) 2021/2282.