SAP-E World Stroke Day 2026 Forum
From Resolution to Action: Implementing the WHO Stroke Resolution and the Stroke Action Plan for Europe

29 October 2026 from 9:30-11:30 CET | Virtual Event
Organised by the Stroke Action Plan for Europe (SAP-E)

Moderators: Prof. Yuriy Flomin (Ukraine) // Prof. Francesca Romana Pezzella (Italy)

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TIME	TOPIC	PRESENTATION	SPEAKER
9:30-9:40	**The WHO Stroke Resolution: What Does It Mean for Europe?**	Welcome and Opening Remarks	Prof. Francesca Pezzella (Italy)
9:40-9:50	**Lived Experience presentation, the importance of the WHO Stroke Resolution**	From Resolution to Reality: What People Affected by Stroke Need	Mr. Ihor Zhdanov (Ukraine)
9:50-10:00	**From Resolution to Action: The Role of SAP-E**	Introduction to the Forum, its objectives and expected outcomes. The role of the SAP-E EAST community in translating European and global commitments into national action.	Prof. Yuriy Flomin (Ukraine)
10:00-10:10	**Presentation 1: Stroke Prevention and Brain Health Across the Life Course**	**Country Spotlight – Romania** // Stroke Prevention and Brain Health Across the Life Course: Achievements, Challenges and Priorities for 2030	Prof. Cristina Tiu (Romania)
10:10-10:15		Discussion	
10:15-10:25	**Presentation 2: Building High-Quality and Equitable Acute Stroke Systems**	**Country Spotlight – Moldova** // Building High-Quality and Equitable Acute Stroke Systems: Progress, Remaining Gaps and Future Directions	Dr. Natalia Ciobanu (Moldova)
10:25-10:30		Discussion	
10:30-10:40	**Presentation 3: Life After Stroke: Initial and long-term Rehabilitation**	**Country Spotlight – Kyrgyzstan** // Stroke Rehabilitation: Progress, Unmet Needs and Opportunities for Development	Dr Asel Kerimkulova (Kyrgyzstan)
10:40-10:45		Discussion	
10:45-10:55	**Presentation 4: Life After Stroke: Recovery and long-term support**	**Country Spotlight – Romania** // Life After Stroke: Recovery, Self-management and Long-term Support The Perspective of Stroke Survivors and Stroke Support Organisations	Ms. Liliana Curae (Romania)

10:55-11:00		Discussion	
11:00-11:25	**Panel Discussion**	• What are the most important gaps that countries need to address to translate the WHO Stroke Resolution and SAP-E targets into measurable improvements across the stroke pathway? • Which successful approaches presented today could realistically be adapted or transferred across countries in the SAP-E EAST region? • What should be the priorities for SAP-E collaboration, knowledge exchange and support to countries in the EAST region over the next few years?	All speakers and panelists: Zuzana Gdovinová (Slovakia), Aleš Tomek (Czechia), Alexander Tsiskaridze (Georgia)
11:25-11:30	**Closing Remarks**		Moderators

Expected Outcome
The Forum will identify a concise set of key priorities for translating the WHO Stroke Resolution and the Stroke Action Plan for Europe into action, with particular attention to the needs, experiences and opportunities of countries in the SAP-E EAST region.