

Press Note

Declaration of Intent

Portugal and Spain sign an agreement

for centralised purchasing of medicines

The Portuguese and Spanish Health Ministers will sign, on the 10th July, a declaration that marks the beginning of the centralised purchasing of medicines between the two countries. The document is focused on financial matters such as price definition for medicines and other health technologies, but also on information sharing and on the need to develop technical documents in these areas.

This declaration follows an intense collaboration between the two countries, which has been going on since the last year, and since then has been taken as an example to other European countries.

During the last round table of health ministers, in may, nine european countries signed the Declaration of La Valletta, a multilateral agreement that established similar goals for accessing innovation in the area of medicines, ensuring the sustainability of health systems at the same time.

The Minister of Health Adalberto Campos Fernandes, one of the proponents and subscribers of the Declaration of La Valleta, will now sign this bilateral declaration with Dolors Montserrat Montserrat, the Minister of Health, Social Services and equality of Spain.

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