

## LETTER OF ANNOUNCEMENT EMVO ON-BOARDING – Only one year left!

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Dear (future) On-boarding Partners,

Today, exactly <u>one year remains</u> before the Delegated Regulation comes into force, detailing how medicine authenticity should be verified and by whom.

All actors among the pharmaceutical supply chain have duties and responsibilities under the European legislation. Among them, the Marketing Authorisation Holders (MAH), also referred to as On-boarding Partners (OBPs), have to proceed with an On-boarding process to the European Medicines Verification Organisation (EMVO) and develop their connection to the European Hub.

So far, EMVO only counts 500 On-boarding Partners (OBPs) which are registered on the EMVO Portal and which signed the EMVO Agreement for Participation. Since the beginning EMVO always gave its best efforts to ensure a smooth and timely On-boarding for its OBPs. Informative tools and communication campaigns are continuously developed and upgraded in order to create a positive dynamic among the pharmaceutical industry. EMVO also works in close collaboration with the National Medicines Verification Organisations and the sector's representation associations. Still, it remains the sole responsibility of the actors, and mainly of the MAHs, to comply with the requirements and take all necessary actions to be ready on time. EMVO will not be in a position of ensuring the same level of support quality if a rush of late followers occurs. The deadline for companies to complete their On-boarding on time has been <u>fixed to June 2018</u>. Any late On-boarding after that date may entail a risk to the company's business, for which the company will be solely responsible. Indeed, the entire process of On-boarding requires great care and efficient internal organization. Mainly, the Technical On-boarding is a challenging milestone.



The challenges ahead of us are tremendous and all relevant actors have to take up their responsibilities as of now.

## One year to go, it is time to On-board!

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