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4. Enable inclusive EU AMR One Health dialogue
5. Ensure that prevention is at the heart of all AMR
6. Address the market failures in antibiotic research & innovation
7. Fight pharmaceutical pollution
8. Ensure effective implementation of the EU veterinary medicinal products and medicated feed regulations

HOW IS THE INTEREST GROUP ORGANISED?

The Interest Group includes MEPs from across the political spectrum committed to strengthen actions to address AMR in the new EU mandate. Membership is open to MEPs from all Committees to ensure work beyond silos in the framework of a truly holistic ‘One Health’ approach.

The Interest Group is supported by the AMR Stakeholder Network, the largest civil society-led network of organisations and committed individuals working on AMR.

WE ARE COUNTING ON YOUR SUPPORT.

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