57th meeting of the EU Competent Authorities for Medical Devices (CAMD)

The Danish Presidency of the Council of the European Union held the 57th meeting of the EU Competent Authorities for Medical Devices (CAMD) on the 17-18 of September 2025 in Frederiksberg, Denmark. The meeting was dedicated to the upcoming revision of the Regulations of medical devices and in vitro diagnostic medical devices as well as the future direction of the CAMD.

In the opening of the meeting, Nils Falk Bjerregaard, General Director of the Danish Medicines Agency, highlighted:

"The dynamic and complex medical device sector, geopolitical developments and pressure for legislative reforms all place ambitious demands on our regulatory systems. We are therefore looking into regulatory amendments, where there is a need for simplification of requirements, removal of overlapping obligations and increased harmonisation. The CAMD Plenary meeting offers a unique platform to discuss how this can be done. It is important to ensure that our framework is innovative, robust, transparent and secures patient safety in Europe. In this context, the role of the competent authorities is very important."

Some of the main topics discussed were:

- The future direction of the CAMD where an update to the Terms of Reference and Rules of Procedure were adopted. Elections to the CAMD Executive Group were also held resulting in Carmen Ruiz-Villar being elected to the position of Chair of the CAMD Executive Group. Following input from the CAMD during the meeting, the newly elected CAMD Executive Group will reflect on the next steps for revitalising the collaboration within the CAMD and the role of the CAMD within the regulatory system.

- The ongoing work in the CAMD including an update on the different work packages under JAMS 2.0 and a state of play from the CAMD Executive Group. Here the consensus statement in collaboration with the Heads of Medicines Agencies regarding coordination and governance of the regulatory system was highlighted.

- Discussions on a range of potential issues for legislative amendments and practical implications. The discussions were productive and nuanced and showed the different points of view across competent authorities.

In conclusion, the CAMD supports the need for legislative changes and highlights the importance of having a holistic view of the system while considering the long-term effects in making and dealing with the changes to come. A central aspect of a well-functioning system is to ensure sufficient resources to competent authorities across all member states in order to facilitate a smooth implementation of the regulations. CAMD will continue to collaborate closely with the European Commission to ensure a simple, efficient and well-functioning regulatory system.