

Press release

Eric Vacaresse succeeds Christian Deleuze as Chairman of Enosis Santé

Paris, Lyon, Marseille, Strasbourg, June 18, 2024 - At their Annual General Meeting on June 12th, the members of [Enosis Santé](#), the French healthcare clusters alliance ([BioValley FranceEurobiomed](#), [Lyonbiopôle Auvergne-Rhône-Alpes](#), and [Medicen Paris Region](#)), voted to renew the association's governing bodies, and the Board of Directors selected Eric Vacaresse (Chairman of Eurobiomed) as Chairman of Enosis Santé and Philippe Sans (Chairman of Lyonbiopôle Auvergne-Rhône-Alpes) as Vice-Chairman, each for a one-year term¹. Eric Vacaresse succeeds Christian Deleuze (President of Medicen Paris Region) and Philippe Sans succeeds Stéphan Jenn (President of Biovalley France).

Eric Vacaresse comments: *"I salute Christian Deleuze for his commitment and the work accomplished during his term of office. I pledge to step up our efforts to ensure that our entrepreneurs benefit from the most favorable conditions for the successful development of their businesses, and to continue to foster links between all the various key private and public players at the heart of our innovation ecosystems, from the regional to the European level, to create a force to be reckoned with in the global landscape and deliver tomorrow's therapeutic innovations". "We are proud that Enosis Santé is already well represented among the winners of the various France 2030 programs, with 5 bioclusters (i.e. all of them) and 11 IHU out of the 12 announced as part of the [Innovation Santé 2030 plan](#), [the health component of France 2030](#); 32 winners of the i-Nov competition; 31 winners of the i-Lab competition; 6 winners of French Tech 2030 and 19 winners of French Tech Health20.*

Eric Vacaresse, President Enosis Santé



Eric Vacaresse holds a DEA in Analytical Chemistry from the Université Pierre et Marie Curie (Paris VI) and an Executive Master in Management and Health Policies from Sciences Po Paris, complemented by the Cycle des Hautes Etudes Européennes at ENA. He began his career at Rhône-Poulenc Rorer in 1995 as a scientist in CMC analytical development, before holding various positions of increasing responsibility in R&D at Aventis Pharma and then Sanofi until 2013.

He then joined Sanofi's Human Resources department as head of territorial employment and spin-offs in France. In 2014, he joined R&D as European Director of Scientific Relations, where he is responsible for developing public/private partnerships and strengthening links with innovation ecosystems. In this capacity, he holds various mandates for Sanofi, including VP of ARIIS, board member of ANRT, Medicen Paris Region and Chairman

of the Leem Recherche committee within the Innovation and Research commission.

¹ Reminder: a rotating chairman every year.

Since 2022, Eric Vacaresse has been Director of Sanofi's R&D center in Montpellier, President of the Eurobiomed healthcare competitiveness cluster and a member of the LEEM Board of Directors since June 2024.

Philippe Sans, VP Enosis Santé



Philippe Sans is a graduate of emlyon Business School. He has spent a large part of his career with Institut Mérieux, first with bioMérieux (diagnostics), which he chaired in the USA and of which he was Executive Vice-President, then with Mérieux NutriSciences, Institut Mérieux's subsidiary dedicated to food safety and consumer protection, of which he was Chief Executive Officer from 2007 to 2020. He ended his

career as Executive Vice President - in charge of Strategy and Planning at Institut Mérieux - a major public health player that imagines and develops new approaches in the fields of diagnostics, immunotherapy and food safety and nutrition.

Philippe Sans was appointed President of Lyonbiopôle on December 14, 2020. His strategic vision and extensive knowledge of the global healthcare environment are major assets for the cluster.

About Enosis Santé :

Enosis Santé, created in 2022, brings together 4 of France's healthcare clusters: BioValley France, Eurobiomed, Lyonbiopôle Auvergne-Rhône-Alpes and Medicen Paris Region. The aim of Enosis Santé is to accelerate the development of healthtech innovation and strengthen France's health sovereignty and leadership in health innovation; to represent and carry the voice of the health clusters, highlight their actions and coordinate nationwide actions as close as possible to the regions. The networking of the clusters is intended to strengthen inter-regional synergies, to make better use of an essential regional field system. Thanks to the concerted efforts of the 4 clusters, the networking of territories and skills will be a key factor in the development and structuring of an even more efficient 2030 healthcare policy.

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