



INVITATION

(for Kangaroo Group Members and Guests)

VIRTUAL – DEBATE

Tuesday, **8 December 2020** a Debate from 13:00 to 14:30 hrs

“Disaster preparedness – is “rescEU” up to the challenge?”

COVID-19 has highlighted starkly Europe’s lack of preparedness for medical disasters. The EU and Member States have reacted by stockpiling medical equipment in an unprecedented fashion. ‘rescEU’ is being established by the EU as a reserve of vital capacities for faster and better response to civil protection emergencies. This event will bring together policy makers, practitioners and industry to identify the critical factors for ‘rescEU’ to be a success.

Welcome and Chair:

Michael GAHLER MEP, President of the Kangaroo Group

Speakers:

Nicolae STEFANUTA MEP, Renew/Romania, Vice-Chair of the Delegation for relations with the US, Member of the Committee on Budgets and Member of the Committee on the Environment, Public Health and Food Safety

Hans DAS, Director, DG ECHO

Dr. Steve CHATFIELD, Independent Consultant on Infectious Disease and Emergency Preparedness and Response; Author of the European Parliament Expert Report on “Member States’ Preparedness for CBRN Threats”

Dr. Karsten FALK, Johanniter International

Other Speakers to be announced

This debate will be conducted via Zoom and hosted by the Kangaroo Group

Please reply to the Kangaroo Group’s Brussels office, whether you will attend or not by e-mail: office@kangaroorgroup.eu

Name: Email:

Organisation + Title:

Yes, I will attend

No, I will not attend