

MEPs Against Cancer Co-Chair Véronique Trillet-Lenoir appointed as the rapporteur for the European Parliament's cancer report in the Special Committee BECA

MEP [Véronique Trillet-Lenoir](#) (RE, France), Co-Chair of the MEPs Against Cancer (MAC) interest group, has been appointed rapporteur for the European Parliament's cancer report in the [Special Committee on Beating Cancer \(BECA\)](#) yesterday 28 September 2020.

The MAC Co-Chairs and Vice-Chairs warmly welcome the decision to give MEP Trillet-Lenoir a strong mandate in the BECA Committee.

Trillet-Lenoir is a university professor, an oncologist with degrees in medicine and human biology, the administrator of the [French National Cancer Institute \(INCa\)](#) and the regional councillor for Auvergne-Rhône-Alpes since 2015. Before becoming a Renew Europe MEP in 2019, she also chaired the board of directors of the research cluster "Cancéropole Lyon-Auvergne-Rhône-Alpes" (CLARA) and the "Rencontres de la cancérologie française" (RCFr).

At the European Parliament, she is the Co-Chair of MAC, Vice-coordinator of the Renew Europe group in the Committee on the Environment, Public Health and Food Safety (ENVI), she sits on BECA as a full member, and on the Employment and Social Affairs Committee (EMPL) as a substitute member. Trillet-Lenoir is working as Renew Europe's shadow rapporteur for the [health technology assessment \(HTA\)](#) file and [EU4Health programme](#). She previously published a [position paper](#) and contributed to the health committee's [drug shortage report](#).

By 12 October 2020, MEP Trillet-Lenoir will put forward a working document to provide input for the European Commission on its [Europe's Beating Cancer Plan](#), which is set to be published by December 2020. After the Commission's Plan has been published, Trillet-Lenoir will submit a report on behalf of BECA to the Parliament for a vote. The report will take stock of the current state of play in the fight against cancer and will present recommendations for improving prevention, care and research.



MEP Véronique Trillet-Lenoir stated:

'Cancer is a social injustice disease. We are unequal when it comes to prevention, unequally protected against environmental carcinogens, unequally educated about risky behaviours and unequally armed against misinformation. From one country to another in Europe, we are unequal in terms of rapid access to quality care. Finally, after illness, we are unequal in our ability to return to work, to financial independence and to a harmonious social and emotional life. The objective of a European plan to fight cancer is, of course, to fight against one of the main causes of death in Europe, but also to initiate the reduction of inequalities in health, and then to move towards a true Europe of Health.'

The MAC Chairs and Co-Chairs are looking forward to establish a mutually beneficial collaboration with BECA in order to build synergies and avoid duplications. The close collaboration between MAC and BECA will take forward the common fight against cancer, in the interest of cancer patients and citizens throughout Europe. The European Parliament has and will continue to play a key role in shaping the European Parliament's response to the EU's cancer and health policy agenda.