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Dear colleagues,

Thank you for your recent discussions with me, regarding the operation of the European Alcohol and Health Forum.

In order to take account of your views I have decided from now on to convene parallel discussions of the Forum members based on their core business.

DG SANTE will shortly circulate an agenda for the planned Forum meeting on 5 November 2015 in Brussels consisting of two back-to-back sessions, one for Health related organisations, and one for industry stakeholders.

I hope these new arrangements will go towards meeting your concerns with the operation of the forum, and will provide you an opportunity to inform each other and the Commission of your engagements in favour of reducing alcohol related harm. It will also be an opportunity for the Commission to inform you of developments in public health from our perspective.

I would appreciate it if you could inform DG SANTE of your interest to participate in this meeting in such a new format by sending an e-mail to SANTE-CONSULT-C4@ec.europa.eu by 14th August.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "Vytenis Andriukaitis".

