

Ing. Daniel Horák, an honorary member of the EFPC Executive Committee.

On November 30, 2023, EFPC members, colleagues and partners bid goodbye to the active service of co-founder and long-time EFPC chairman Ing. Daniel Horák. Ing. Horák has headed the EFPC since its foundation 5 years ago and it can be said that his role in the establishment of the European Federation of Pharmacy Chains was crucial.

Mr. Daniel Horák recognised that there was a lack of an institution in the European environment that could represent chain pharmacies in debates about branch regulations and their undesirable impact on the availability of pharmaceutical care and under his leadership a platform was created where such discussions could be held. Several annual EFPC professional conferences are the result of this effort.

These have also included the EFPC Academy series, which has been primarily focused on the international exchange of experiences of health professionals - pharmacists and pharmacy assistants from member countries' pharmacies.

All of these activities were aimed at removing barriers to the full development of pharmacy as a component of primary health care and improving patient accessibility.

Daniel's leaving for new professional challenges is, of course, a matter of what life brings and we must all respect that fact. We decided to symbolically express the role he has played in the EFPC by deciding to appoint him as an Honorary Member of the EFPC Executive Committee. In this position, he is entitled to attend the EFPC Executive Committee meetings and to be invited to them and to other events organised by the EFPC, subject to prior notification.

Dear Daniel, thanks for all that you have done for EFPC, patients and clients, partners from pharma industry, payers and regulators over the 5 years and we wish you the very best of luck in your personal and professional life.

In Prague on 5.12.2023

The EFPC members