



## Global Commission's Roadmap Brussels launch event

Wednesday 20 February 2019, 4:00 PM – 7:30 PM  
Microsoft Executive Briefing Center, Rue Montoyer 51, 1000 Bruxelles, Belgium

Dear Mr. Martin Seychell,

The [Global Commission to End the Diagnostic Odyssey of Children with a Rare Disease](#) (“The Global Commission”) would like to invite you to participate in the official Brussels launch event of the Global Commission's roadmap for shortening the time to diagnosis for children with rare diseases worldwide. Launch events will take place on **Wednesday 20 February 2019 at Microsoft's office in New York City, with a corresponding launch event and live video intervention at the Microsoft Executive Briefing Center in Brussels, Belgium.**

The Global Commission is a multidisciplinary group of experts formed by [Takeda, Microsoft and EURORDIS-Rare Diseases Europe](#) with the creativity, technological expertise and commitment required to accelerate time to diagnosis and make a major difference in the lives of millions of children and their families. It brings together technology innovators, patient advocates, healthcare providers, researchers, family members and other experts from around the world, dedicated to tackling one of the most serious and heartbreaking challenges within the rare disease space.

On 20 February, the Global Commission is unveiling its actionable roadmap to help the rare disease field shorten the multi-year diagnostic journey and address core barriers preventing timely diagnosis. We would like to invite you to take part in a one-hour roundtable immediately prior to the Global Commission session being live-streamed from New York, followed by a cocktail reception. This event is by invitation only. The agenda for the day is as follows:

- 3:30 PM CET: Arrive at Microsoft's Executive Briefing Center in Brussels
- 4:00 PM – 5:00 PM CET: Global Commission Brussels roundtable
- 5:00 PM – 6:30 PM CET: Global Commission United States launch session via livestream
- 6:30 PM – 7:30 PM CET: Cocktail reception

The Global Commission Brussels launch session will take place at the **Microsoft Executive Briefing Center, Rue Montoyer 51, 1000 Bruxelles, Belgium.**

Just a week before Global Rare Disease Day on 28 February, both of these events offer a unique opportunity to learn from and share with other patient advocates and rare disease stakeholders from around the world.

We hope you can join us for this exciting event for global Rare Disease stakeholders.

**The Global Commission**