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"Light-to-Cure": Steps from Photonics to Improved Care of Neonates Born Preterm

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According to the Global Action Report published by The World Health Organization in 2012, preterm births are 15 million every year and rising. BabyLux - An Optical Neuro-Monitor of Cerebral Oxygen Metabolism and Blood Flow for Neonatology - provides an innovative tool to monitor and assess brain blood flow and oxygenation in extremely preterm neonates.

A precise, non-invasive integrated system is the key to enable neonatologists to prevent neurological damages due to lack of oxygenation in the brain, frequently accompanying premature births.

BabyLux takes up complete R&D works and extends already tested prototypes to the level of demonstrator, bridging the gap between research products and commercialization. For the first time ever, the system uses photonic technologies, such as diffuse correlation spectroscopy, DCS, and time resolved near-infrared spectroscopy (TRS), in an innovative combination.

For more information, please visit the website

9.00 | Welcome Address

Gianantonio Magnani President, Fondazione Politecnico di Milano **Tanya Nikolova** Photonics Unit, European Commission

9.15 | BabyLux

Goals and achievements

Alessandro Torricelli Department of Physics, Politecnico di Milano Critical evaluation of clinical results Gorm Greisen Department of Neonatology, Rigshospitalet, Copenhagen

10.30 | Coffee Break

10.50 | Round table

BabyLux project and then? Priorities in technical development, standardization and clinical studies

Turgut Durduran, ICFO, Institute of Photonic Sciences, Castelldefels, Barcelona Adelina Pellicer, Hospital Universitario La Paz, Madrid Heidrun Wabnitz, PTB (Physikalisch-Technische Bundesanstalt Braunschweig), Berlin Martin Wolf, University Hospital Zurich Discussion moderated by **Gorm Greisen** Department of Neonatology, Rigshospitalet, Copenhagen

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11.50 | The point of view of the market: ready for BabyLux? Udo Weigel, HemoPhotonics SL Margherita Milite, Siemens Healthineers

12.30 | Q&A

