

The number of people suffering from the Diabetes is growing. This is alarming and we need to act now. As Co-Chair of the European Parliament's Working Group on Diabetes, I will vehemently carry on working for progress on this issue at EU-level.

It is particularly important to ensure that the EU has a strong focus on prevention, early detection and improvement of treatments.

I believe that we, as politicians, whether local, national or European, should have the courage to set specific targets for reducing the number of people suffering from diabetes and other chronic diseases.

If we set specific goals for the years to come, the EU and member states will feel more compelled to act.

The EU and the member states have an opportunity to lower this estimate and reverse this trend. If we act now, we can save lives, improve the quality of life of those affected and minimize health expenses in the coming years.