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Healthcare Systems in Transition

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Increase in chronic disease and ageing population put a burden on public health budget and justify **healthcare public policy reforms** all over the world. This context combines with the fast development of medical and information and communication technologies, which hold great promises for enhancing health care quality, transparency and accountability but also for improving care accessibility, equity and patients' self-management.

Healthcare policy reforms consequently convey professional and political discourses promoting a **transition from institutional care systems towards more efficient, integrated care systems** on the one hand, and **patient's active participation** or "empowerment" on the other.

Healthcare reforms raise, however, important challenges for the main stakeholders of the system, including policy makers, health professionals and patients and their relatives.

In the political arena, policy makers are facing the **challenge of reforming often highly institutionalized and specialized systems** while lacking appropriate political power, financial resources and/or appropriate expertise.

In the professional arena, the promotion of collaborative ways of working, patients' active participation and greater accountability put a **strain on professional culture** emphasizing expert knowledge and professional autonomy.

In the patients and relatives' sphere, the ideology of empowerment raises **questions relating to patients' equality** in face of new and often expensive technologies requiring them both to acquire new skills and to comply with associated requirements for self-discipline and active participation.

Communications in this panel might address questions relating to new modes of reforming and governing health care systems in general as well as more specific questions on the ensuing redistribution, and changing nature, of knowledge and power among the system's main stakeholders.

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