## Citizens call for inquiry into EU response to H1N1 outbreak

Swine flu season has passed and many countries still hold millions of unused flu vaccine doses. Did the health threat warrent such mass-spending on these medicines? What influence did any ties with the pharmaceutical industry have on decisions at the national level?

HAI Europe is questioning how this health 'crisis' was handled. We support an official inquiry by a (European) Parliamentary committee into how the H1N1 outbreak was handled by the European Union and member states. Given the significant public resources involved, it is vital that European citizens have the opportunity to scrutinise the decisions made on their behalf.

Read <u>HAI Europe's Letter of Support</u> (link to come) for the creation of a parliamentary committee to examine this issue further.

Katrina Perehudoff