



## **Martine Pergent**

In 1998, Martine Pergent was co-founder of IRIS, the French Patient Organisation for Primary Immunodeficiency, then ten year after was named honorary member of this organization for her contribution.

She is currently board member, intensively supporting IRIS in advising the officers and the executive director. She is particularly committed in strategic planning, publications, survey among patients, stakeholder's cooperation and events.

“Martine was elected President of IPOPI in October 2018. She has been in the IPOPI Board since 2004 and has served eight years as IPOPI Vice-President”

As President, Martine takes part into IPOPI strategic planning, advocating initiatives (international, EU and national levels) and data collection.

She has a wide experience in patient advocacy and is particularly committed in:

- raising awareness on PIDs as rare conditions,
- improving access to diagnosis and treatment, among the treatment, Immunoglobulins (hospital and home therapy), for which she set up a global list for Immunoglobulins,
- data collection, high interest in registries and epidemiology,
- digital communications and e-health,
- organising IPOPI global meetings,
- encouraging and supporting the creation of new patient organisations.

Martine strongly believes that:

- Patients should be able to voice their condition, experience and needs, and be considered as true and equal stakeholders when it comes to decisions that could or will impact their lives.
- only stakeholders' collaboration can enrich the perspectives, join the efforts and bring efficient and realistic answers that tackle the challenges the whole community faces,
- a regulated environment is necessary to secure patients' access to safe, efficient and continuous treatment,
- when it comes to chronic diseases, measures that contribute to improve quality of life are key to allow people with PID to lead a normal and contributive persona and professional life.

Martine works as a consultant in Communications advising companies and institutions.