

Amended Draft Proposal/ Work in Progress– Future Joint Action on the Development of the European Guide on Quality Improvement in Comprehensive Cancer Control

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OBJECTIVES

- 1) To identify key elements and quality standards for optimal/comprehensive cancer control in Europe.
- 2) Cooperation of Member States, including the exchange of best practices to identify and define key elements to ensure optimal/comprehensive cancer control through a platform for Member State cooperation.

KEY DELIVERABLE

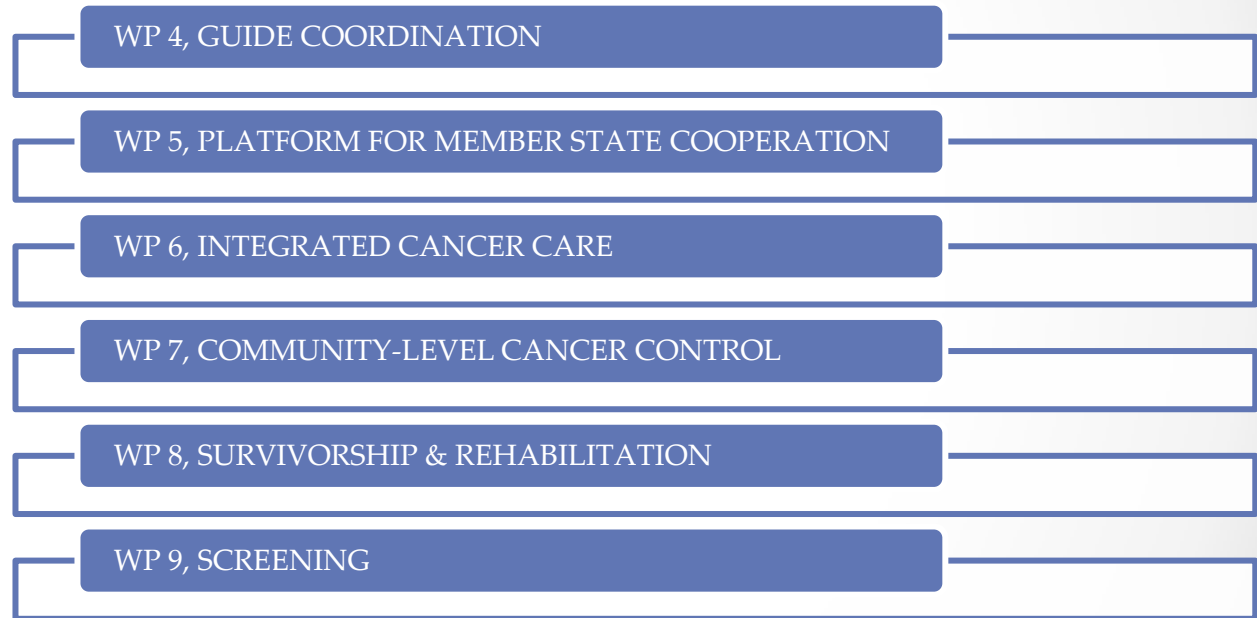
- **The ‘European Guide on Quality Improvement in Comprehensive Cancer Control’**
- The Guide will act as a European benchmark, providing a roadmap or strategy to optimize cancer control.

WORK PACKAGE STRUCTURE

HORIZONTAL WPs



CORE WPs



MEETING STRUCTURE

- GUIDE COORDINATION – internal team of WP Leaders working to ensure smooth coordination and production of guide chapters
- STEERING COMMITTEE – concerned with the technical aspects of the Joint Action (administration, budgetary, etc.)
- MEMBER STATE PLATFORM – Member State reps meeting to discuss specific topics in the field of cancer and to consult on the guide process/adopt final drafts
- EXPERT WORKSHOP- Diverse stakeholders (patient organisations, international org., etc.) giving direct input for guide chapters and process (Member States can also be included here!). Meet twice annually. The WP 4 Leader (Belgium) will initiate contact through umbrella organisations, other proposals can be made to the WP Leader.

HORIZONTAL WORK PACKAGES

- WP 1, COORDINATION
- **Coordinator- Slovenia**
- **Project Management Team** – internal coordination team
- **Joint Action Steering Committee** – WP Leaders, EC representatives, Project Management Team
- **Related Initiative Working Group**
- **Joint Action Secretariat** – organises WP 1 events, correspondence
- **Administrative & Financial Coordination**



HORIZONTAL WORK PACKAGES

- **WP 2, Dissemination**
- **Lead Partner: Finland**
- -dedicated website, dissemination of JA information to internal and external audiences, use of social media, etc.

- **WP 3, Evaluation**
- **Lead Partner: Romania**
- - evaluation of the JA at regular intervals, key deliverables: interim evaluation reports and final evaluation report



WP 4, GUIDE COORDINATION

- **Lead Partner: Belgium**
- Coordination of Guide development
- Organisation of Guide Coordination Committee meetings, Expert Workshops
- Methodology for guide chapters

WP 5, PLATFORM FOR MEMBER STATE COOPERATION

- **Lead Partner: Belgium**
- Objectives:
 - - A forum for debate and discussion of different viewpoints with regard to a particular subject
 - -Facilitation of mutual information exchange across all levels
 - - Identification of common elements in the approaches across MS
 - - Debate on the usefulness of the already existing knowledge

WP 5, PLATFORM FOR MEMBER STATE COOPERATION

- **Some suggested topics for platform meetings:**
 - National Cancer Control Programmes
 - Innovation and Technical Development in Cancer (i.e. genomics)
 - Scientific Advances and Translation/Application into Cancer Care
 - Scientist and Policymaker Perspective (Evidence to Policy)
 - Cross-Border Cooperation and European Reference Networks
 - Inequalities
 - Prevention Strategies
 - Sustainable Models of Care (Health Economics)
 - Update on Screening Recommendations
 - Cost of drugs/cancer treatments
 - Patient navigation in the cancer care system
- Deliverables: short position statements on each topic
- **Countries interested in organising any of the above platform topics should contact the Joint Action Coordinator**

WP 6, INTEGRATED CANCER CARE

- **Lead Partner: Italy**
- Interested countries: RO, EE, HR, IE, FR, FI, ES (?)
- Chapters covered:
 - Cancer care, e.g.:
 - Organisational aspects of cancer care
 - Comprehensive cancer care
 - Treatment and follow-up
 - Personalised medicine and future developments
 - Paediatric cancer care
 - Rare cancer care
 - Psychosocial support and rehabilitation
 - ...
 - Cancer information and data

ADDITIONAL THEMES for Integrated Cancer Care

Education and training

Quality assurance

Patient safety

Inequalities

Connection to population screening

Cross-border cooperation

Patients involvement

Most are potentially cross-cutting!

Lead partners needed for all additional themes!

WP 7, COMMUNITY-LEVEL CANCER CONTROL

- **Lead Partner: Slovenia**
- Chapters covered:
 - Primary care and cancer management
 - Prevention (?) and early diagnosis
- Objectives:
 - Developing approaches to support better cancer management and solutions that would increase role of primary care in comprehensive cancer management
 - Exchange of EU best practices to be promoted at EU level

Community-Level Cancer Control Focus

- Cancer patient management in primary care – challenges and opportunities
- Setting up a cancer management profile for primary care
- Monitoring and follow-up of cancer patients – involvement of primary care

WP 8, SURVIVORSHIP & REHABILITATION

- **Lead Partner: France (tbc)**
- Interested countries: BE, PT
- Objective: to develop a rehabilitation and survivorship plan. Proposed structure based on "patient categorization (fully cured/ not cured (chronic cancer) /advanced phase)
- For cured patient : needs to address : surveillance, sequels (late side effects), permanent or temporary disabilities, need (late) side-effects, prevention of recurrence, psycho – social needs (distress mgt scale), return to work- reintegration to productive life
- For chronic patients (mgt of cancer as chronic disease, disability, return to work while being treated, etc)
- For advanced stage patients (supportive and palliative care

WP 9, SCREENING

- **Lead Partner: Finland**
- Focus:
- Population-based screening programmes in relation to National Cancer Control Plans
- Specific subjects/objectives to be further developed

Open Issues

- 1) Should Member States confirm the guide document? Does this have added value? If so, should it be included in the platform meetings, expert workshops or in another manner?
- The Platform meetings will have a limited amount of time for adoption, but will generally be focused on exchange and discussion. Will meet twice annually.



Open Issues

- 2) Locations for meetings, Member States willing to host, 2-3 days organisation
- Meetings will be in different locations, based on Member States willing to host:
 - Romania
 - Slovenia
 - Spain?
 - Portugal?
 - Latvia?

Open Issues

- WP 4, definition of methodology for chapters
- Appropriate placement of palliative care (which WP), **led by Norway (tbc)**
- List of chapters for the guide to be determined at next preparatory meeting of MS, February 2013

Contact

- For further information on the future JA on the European Guide on Quality Assurance in Comprehensive Cancer Control:
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