

The CraNE JA, following the previous CanCon and iPAAC Joint Actions, faces the challenge to formulate the proposed schemes and make them work.

More specifically, the expected outcomes are:

- a. The establishment of a common and concrete understanding, among all partners' and participating countries, of the concept of Comprehensive Cancer Centres (CCCs), in terms of their composition, functioning and governance,
- A consensus-based model for CCCs, both standalone centres as well as centres which may be part of University or General Hospitals, incorporating the interface of both delivery of care and research,
- c. The definition of clear recommendations regarding the organization and delivery of comprehensive and high-quality cancer care in Comprehensive Cancer Centres and the Networks (CCCNs),
- d. The identification of current practices and patterns of organisation in real-life settings as key references to assess how high-quality care and research can be developed and available to all cancer patients in regional and local level through networking models.
- e. A realistic and functional Framework and criteria (pre-requirements) to enable the implementation of CCCs within an EU Network, taking in account not only the existing patterns (as aforementioned) but also the local potential for support,
- f. Keep the balance between organizational aspects and quality of care of the CCCs and CCCNs as well as between existing patterns of cancer care and proposed ones within the CCCNs level of care, to ensure functionality and implementation in order to eliminate any unacceptable disparities currently present across the EU MSs.



# **Budget:**

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# On board:

25 Countries 46 Partners

# **Duration:**

### 2 years

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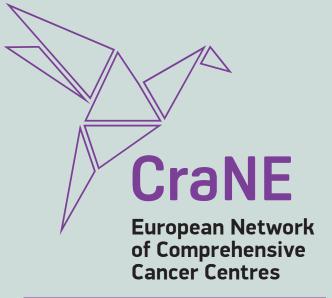
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The CraNE Joint Action is proposed for funding in response to the flagship Number 5 of the Europe's Beating Cancer Plan, which defines that the European Commission will establish by 2025, an EU Network linking recognised National Comprehensive Cancer Centres (CCCs) in every Member State.

It aims to build upon of the outcomes of previous CANCON and iPAAC Joint Actions, preparing the necessary preconditions, either administrative or professional and those related to high-quality performance and access for the patient.

The process will facilitate the integration of both the existing CCCs as well as the newly characterized as CCCs across all EU MS.

The assessment of feasibility of such an EU Network of CCCs, taking in account the various Member States Health systems, will be performed in order to ensure to the sustainability of the scheme.



# **Partners Competent authorities**

**Slovenia** (coordinator) National Institute of Public Health of the Republic of Slovenia (NIJZ)

**Belgium** Sciensano

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Estonia Ministry of Social Affairs Republic of Estonia (MSAE)

France French National Cancer Institute (INCa)

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Hungary National Institute of Oncology (001)

Ireland Department of Health (DOH)

Italy Alliance Against Cancer (ACC)

Latvia Riga East University Hospital (REUH)

Lithuania Ministry of Health of the Republic of Lithuania (SAM LT)

Luxembourg National Cancer Institute (INC)

Malta Ministry for Health – Government of Malta (MFH)

Norway Oslo University Hospital (OUS)

Poland National Institute of Public Health (NIZP-PZH-PIB)

Portugal Ministry of Health of the Portuguese Republic (MS)

Romania Oncology Institute Ion Chiricuta (IOCN)

Slovakia National Cancer Institute (NOU)

Spain Catalan Institute of Oncology (ICO)

Sweden National Board of Health and Welfare (NBHW)

Austria Austrian National Public Health Institute (GÖG)

# **Target groups**

- Policy makers at EU, regional and local levels (relevant ministries, regional authorities, politicians at EU level, etc.)
- 2. Health care professionals and organizations, NGOs, other relevant stakeholders at EU, regional and local levels
- 3. Patients, relatives, patient organizations locally or EU level.
- **4.** Press and general public are also targeted for the program, since their opinion as final users is critical and valuable.





# Main Objectives of CraNE JA

The main objectives of CraNE Joint Action are:

- To prepare the necessary preconditions, administrative, professional, and those related to high-quality performance towards CCCs Network.
- To link the development of an EU Network of CCCs and CCCs in individual MSs to the development of national and regional CCCNs.
- To provide an assessment on sustainability and feasibility of CCCs Networking.



#### **Partners Affiliated entities**

Slovenia Institute of Oncology Ljubljana (OIL)

Belgium Antwerp University Hospital (UZA)

Estonia University of Tartu (UT)

**France UNICANCER** 

France Hospital Federation of France (FHF)

France National Institute of Health and Medical Research (INSERM)

**Germany** German Cancer Research Center (DKFZ)

Germany German Cancer Society (DKG)

Germany German Cancer Aid (DKH)

Germany TU Dresden (TUD)

**Greece** Agios Savvas General Anticancer Hospital of Athens (AGIOS SAVVAS)

**Greece** Laiko General Hospital of Athens (LGHA)

Greece Agia Sofia Children's Hospital (AGIA SOFIA)

**Greece** Andreas Syggros Hospital for Skin and Venereal

Diseases (ANDREAS SYGGROS)

Italy Ministry of Health (MoH)

Italy Luigi Maria Monti Foundation (IDI-IRCCS)

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Luxembourg Luxembourg Institute of Health (LIH)

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# **CraNE Work Packages**

**WP1:** Coordination

**WP2:** Dissemination

WP3: Evaluation

**WP4:** Sustainability

WP5: The EU Network of CCCs

**WP6:** Organization of comprehensive, high-quality cancer care

 $\ensuremath{\mathbf{WP7:}}$  Framework and criteria to enable the implementation of

CCCs within an EU Network

WP8: Equitable access to high-quality care and research:

networks in the context of CCCs