



This newsletter will provide you with monthly updates on the [Belgian 'EBCP' mirror group initiative](#), as well as on the latest EU cancer calls and projects (Europe's Beating Cancer Plan & Mission on Cancer). [Subscribe here](#) to receive the next issue of this newsletter in your mailbox!

Next meetings

Plenary session

24 APR

Our 5th plenary meeting took place on the 24th April 2023. We provided updates on the mirror group activities, and presented two new initiatives that will be launched in Belgium for research and cancer survivors. The meeting also proposed options to shape the 'cancer patient journey', exploring links to the rare disease domain. The following points were especially discussed:

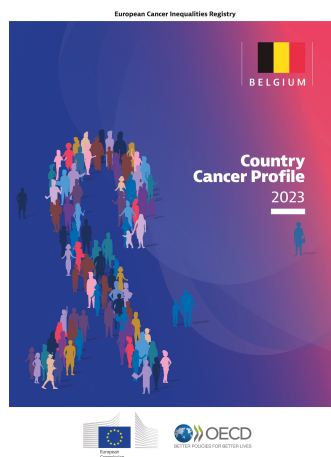
- Priorities for the Belgian EU presidency
- Update on the Thematic Working Groups and EU projects
- Pitch of Belgian initiatives
- Next steps

The slides presented during this meeting are available on the SharePoint of the mirror group [here](#), or through Smash [here](#) (link expires on 12/05/2023).

News

EU Country Cancer Profiles

The European Commission and the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) published the first Country Cancer Profiles under the [European Cancer Inequalities Registry](#) (a flagship initiative of Europe's Beating Cancer Plan) for EU Member States, Norway and Iceland. The Country Cancer Profiles aim to identify inequalities in cancer prevention and care for each of the



mentioned countries. The Cancer profile for Belgium may be of special interest for our readers.

The European Cancer Inequalities Registry will held a **stakeholder webinar** on 11th May 2023, between 13:30 and 15:00. [Click here to register.](#)

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Webinar recording available: the potential for academic development of medicines in Europe

The Association of European Cancer Leagues (ECL) and the MEPs Against Cancer (MAC) Interest Group organised an online event on the academic development of medicines in Europe in March. The recording of the event is now available online [here](#).

Read the ECL recommendations for the academic development in medicines in Europe [here](#).



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European Parliament sets up new Public Health subcommittee:

The new subcommittee on public health (SANT) elected MEP Bartosz Arukowicz to serve as its chair. The European Medicines Agency and the European Centre for Disease Prevention and Control will be topics covered by the subcommittee, along with pharmaceutical and cosmetic items, bioterrorism's health effects.



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Stakeholders' Targeted Consultation EU4Health Annual Work Programme 2024

The European Commission is inviting key stakeholders to take part in a targeted consultation on the current and future Union health priorities, strategic orientations and health needs that need to be addressed through future EU4Health annual work programmes. The results will be used in the consultation report and will also feed into the EU4Health



stakeholders' conference on 9 June 2023. **The deadline to contribute is 8 May 2023.**

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€660.000 to support knowledge sharing in Innovation Procurement

The EU-funded [Procure4Health](#) project invites public and private healthcare procurers to apply for the Call for Twinings to explore innovative solutions and procurement techniques. Twinning is a collaborative peer-to-peer tool that empowers the exchange of knowledge on a specific topic by bringing together actors who are willing to share their experiences with those less experienced.



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The European Commission proposes pharmaceuticals reform for more accessible, affordable and innovative medicines

On 26 April 2023, the European Commission published its proposal for a new Directive and a new Regulation, which revise and replace the existing general pharmaceutical legislation including the legislation on medicines for children and for rare diseases. The revision aims to achieve timely and equitable access to safe, effective, and affordable medicines; enhance medicines availability, foster innovation, reduce administrative burden, address antimicrobial resistance and make medicines more environmentally sustainable.



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Upcoming events

23rd International Conference on Integrated Care 22nd - 24th May 2023

The 23rd International Conference on Integrated Care (ICIC23) in partnership with the Flanders Agency for Health and Care and Visit Flanders will take place in Antwerp, Flanders from 22-24 May 2023. The conference will bring



together leaders, researchers, clinicians, managers, citizens, patients, and caregivers from around the world who are involved in the design and delivery of integrated health and social care. The conference's theme is "Care in action: how to work together, a participatory approach."

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Info session on Horizon Results Booster - steering research towards a strong societal impact

24th May 2023

Horizon Results Booster services are free-of-charge services, supported by the European Commission, covering several paths in Dissemination and Exploitation activities. The info session will cover information about the services and include testimonials from those who have already used it.

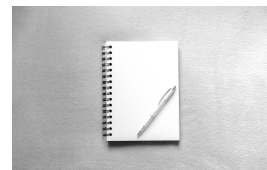


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BEOncoSup (development of supportive care handbook) working session

26th May 2023

The **BeONCOsup** project aims to develop the 'Belgian Handbook for (Hémato-)Oncological Supportive Care' to optimise the provision of supportive care to cancer patients and relatives. The three first working sessions of the BEOncoSup project have been successfully organised and some needs have been prioritised. The next thematic working sessions, open to healthcare professionals and patients, will take place from 26 May onward until November. Registration to the working sessions are open.



[Register here](#)

European Week against Cancer

25th - 31th May 2023

European Week Against Cancer (EWAC) takes place between 25 and 31 May each year and is concluded by the World No Tobacco Day on 31 May. During EWAC cancer charities, European policy-makers and general public engage in various activities connected to awareness raising about cancer prevention, access to treatment and support for patients and cancer survivors.



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Horizon Europe Health & SSH Brokerage event - "Build your consortium!"

5th June 2023

Don't miss the opportunity to get involved in the next Horizon Europe 2024 Health proposals! The European action [HNN3.0](#) is hosting a brokerage event in Paris dedicated to the Horizon Europe 2024 health calls where the participation of partners with specialized knowledge in the **social sciences and humanities (SSH)** is essential.



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EHMA 2023 Annual Conference | Health management: sustainable solutions for complex systems - EHMA

5th - 7th June 2023

The European Health Management Association (EHMA) is organizing its 28th edition of the EHMA Annual Conference on 5-7 June 2023 in Rome, Italy. This year's conference theme focusses on sustainable solutions for complex systems.



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Horizon Europe Coordinators' Day: Grant Management

8th June 2023

Interested in learning more about grant preparation and management? The European Commission is organising a new information session for Horizon Europe proposal coordinators. The webinar will address the preparation, signature, legal and financial issues of grant agreements.



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BAPH Symposium 2023 - Belgian Association of Public Health

8th June 2023

On Thursday 8 June 2023, The Belgian association of Public Health is organizing a national Symposium on Public Health. The theme of this year's symposium is "Working together on the challenges and future of public health in Belgium".



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EU Projects updates

Reminder

Some European programmes still have open calls with approaching deadlines. See especially:

- [EIC Accelerator Challenge: Novel biomarker-based assays to guide personalised cancer treatment](#) (Deadline: 07 June 2023 17:00)
- [Call for tender: Development of a Code of Conduct on Fair Access of Cancer Survivors to Financial Services](#) (Forthcoming - latest possible closing date: 24 August 2023)

We are trying to have a **better view on the involvement of Belgium in Europe's Beating Cancer Plan** and the **Mission on Cancer**. If you are involved in EU project(s) or if you would like us to include information on your EU projects via this newsletter, contact us!

Let us know

CRANE



Full title: Joint Action on network of Comprehensive Cancer Centres

Main areas: CARE & CARE ORGANIZATION / QUALITY OF LIFE / CITIZEN ENGAGEMENT

Timeline: 01/11/2022 - 31/10/2024 (2 years)

- The website of the CRANE project has been opened here: www.crane4health.eu

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EUCAIM



Full title: EUropean federation for CAncer IMages

Main areas: PREVENTION / EARLY DETECTION & SCREENING / DIAGNOSIS & TREATMENT / AI / RESEARCH

Timeline: 01/2023 - 01/2027 (4 years)

- The first version of the EUCAIM project website for the Cancer Image Europe platform is now live at www.cancerimage.eu! This initial version of the website aims to provide a comprehensive overview of our project, its objectives, and the work being carried out by our consortium. As we continue to make progress, the website will be updated, expanded, and extended to better showcase our achievements and resources. Ultimately, the website will be extended by the Cancer Image Europe Dashboard, where end users can log in to access and use the research infrastructure.
- The EUCAIM consortium consist of 76 partners from 14 countries. The Belgian partners of the project are: [COCIR](#), [KU Leuven](#), [Radiomics](#), and [Sciensano](#).

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CANSCREEN - ECIS



Full title: Strengthening Cancer Screening data collection to update European Cancer Information System and improve quality and coverage of cancer screening programmes in Europe

Main areas: **EARLY DETECTION & SCREENING**

Timeline: 01/09/2022 - 31/03/2024 (2 years)

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- The website of the CanScreen project has been opened here: www.canscreen-ecis.iarc.who.int

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ONCOSCREEN



Full title: Colorectal Cancer Screening, prevention, stratification and policy advice across EU

Main areas: **EARLY DETECTION & SCREENING**

Timeline: 01/2023 - 12/2026 (4 years)

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- The ONCOSCREEN website is live! Learn about Oncoscreen's objectives and project partners and subscribe to the project's channels for the latest news, events, and updates about the project: www.oncoscreen.health
 - The Belgian members of the consortium are: VITO, INNOVATION SPRINT, AINIGMA TECHNOLOGIES, TIME.LEX. University of Antwerp is an associated Partner.

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JANE



Full title: Joint Action on European Networks of Expertise

Main areas: **PREVENTION** / **EARLY DETECTION & SCREENING** / **DIAGNOSIS & TREATMENT** / **CARE & CARE ORGANIZATION** / **REHABILITATION** / **QUALITY OF LIFE** / **CITIZEN ENGAGEMENT** / **PAEDIATRIC CANCERS** / **AI** / **RESEARCH**

Timeline: 01/11/2022 - 31/11/2024 (2 years)

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- The Belgian Cancer Centre (Sciensano) has been designated as a sub-topic leader in the JANE Work Package 7 dedicated to 'Survivorship' for the 'social issues (including socio-professional aspects)'. The objective will be to define the criteria for being recognized as 'expert' in oncological social care.

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ECHoS

Full title: Establishing of Cancer Mission Hubs: Networks and Synergies

Main areas: PREVENTION / EARLY DETECTION & SCREENING / DIAGNOSIS & TREATMENT / CARE & CARE ORGANIZATION / REHABILITATION / QUALITY OF LIFE / CITIZEN ENGAGEMENT / PAEDIATRIC CANCERS / AI / RESEARCH

Timeline: 01/05/2023 – 01/05/2026 (3 years)

● To mark the beginning of the Cancer Mission project ECHoS, a **launch event will take place in Lisbon on Wednesday 3rd May** organised by the Project Coordinators, the Agency for Clinical Research and Biomedical Innovation (AICIB), Portugal.

This project brings together the leading experts of 57 governmental, healthcare, academic and non-profit organisations from 26 member states and associated countries.

The aim of the project is to establish National Cancer Mission Hubs (NCMHs) in each country. These NCMHs, operating at national, regional and local level, will have a vital role in involving all relevant stakeholders, health and research, and including citizens, in cancer-related policy dialogues on tackling cancer.

See links below for registration and live streaming.

Registration

Live streaming

TEHDAS

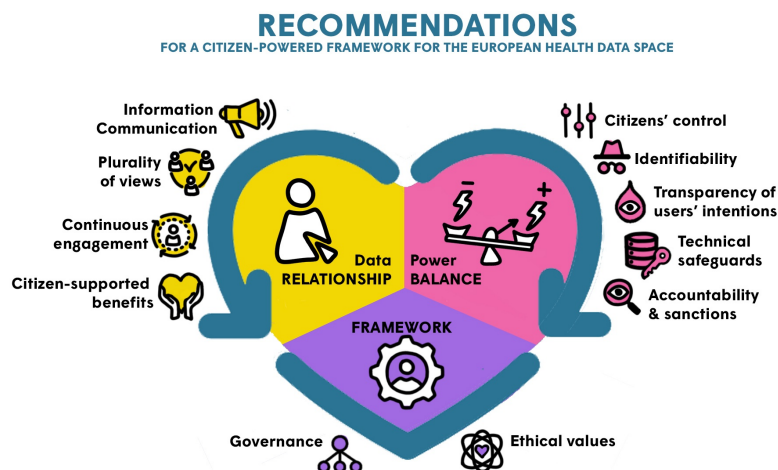


Full title: Joint Action Towards the European Health Data Space

Main areas: CITIZEN ENGAGEMENT

Timeline: 01/02/2020 – 30/06/2023 (3 years)

● Two years after its launch, the [Healthy Data Consultation](#) came to an end. Over the last few months, the Ethics and Public engagement team of the Belgian Cancer Centre (Sciensano) has been working on their final deliverable within the TEHDAS project: **12 recommendations for the European Commission relaying citizens' key values about the secondary use of their health.**



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Join us.

With the support of the Minister of Social Affairs and Public Health, the Belgian Cancer Centre at Sciensano invites you to join in the BE-EBCP Mirror Group.



Join the table

You want to join the discussion? Take part in one (or more) thematic working group? Let us know by filling the form below!

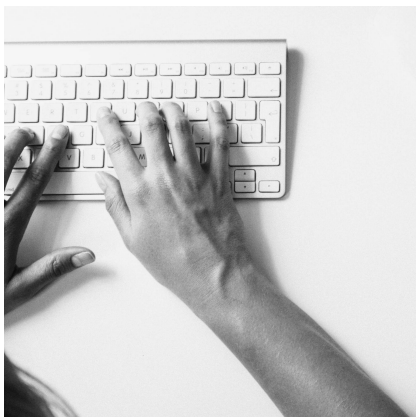


Workspace

Our shared workspace (SharePoint) will give you access to more detailed information on each of the projects and calls that are under discussion in Belgium. Fill the form below to get access.

Fill the form

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