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A STRONG PATIENTS' VOICE TO DRIVE BETTER HEALTH IN EUROPE

- EPF – why we exist
- Our policy priorities
- The Value + Model on Patient Involvement
- Projects – patients' evidence base
- Genuine collaboration with Health Professionals with Health Literacy at the heart
- Moving forward together– future priorities , the next EU Programming period and why this matters

EPF –who are we ?

- VISION – high quality, patient-centred **equitable** healthcare throughout the EU
- MISSION – to present a strong and united patients' voice 150 MILLION PATIENTS

51 members

- GOALS

- Equal Access
- Patient Involvement
- Patients' perspective
- Sustainable patient organisations
- Patient Unity





- Building capacity
- Strengthening our policy impact
- Harnessing patients' own evidence
- Extending our membership
- Developing communications and **partnerships**

- Patients Rights in Cross Border Health Care
 - Patient Safety
 - Quality of care
 - Health Literacy
 - eHealth
 - Clinical Trials
 - Medical Devices
 - Health Technology Assessment



Patient Involvement



- “VALUE +” on the meaningful involvement of patients in EU health projects and policy
 - 3 core deliverables widely distributed, translations
 - Landmark conference under the Swedish Presidency, Gothenburg December 2010
- EPF representation in major EU level health Forums, Consultative Committees and Working Groups **doubled** in the last year

 **Model of Patient Involvement**

 **Toolkit** for patients' organisations

 **Handbook** for project coordinators,
leaders and promoters

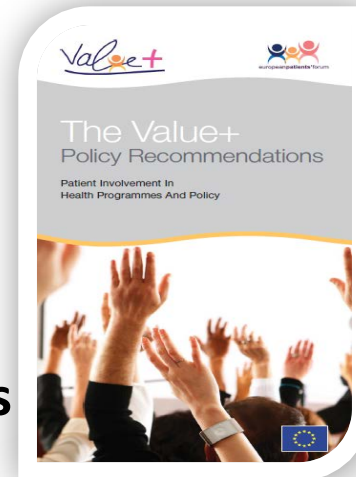
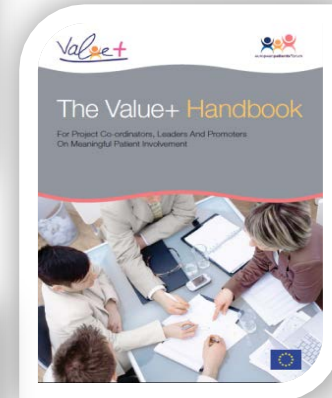
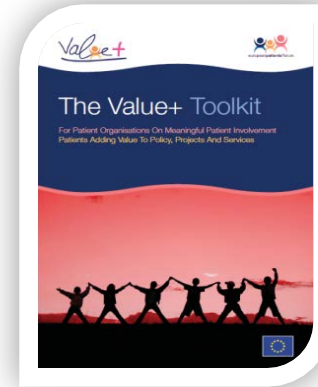
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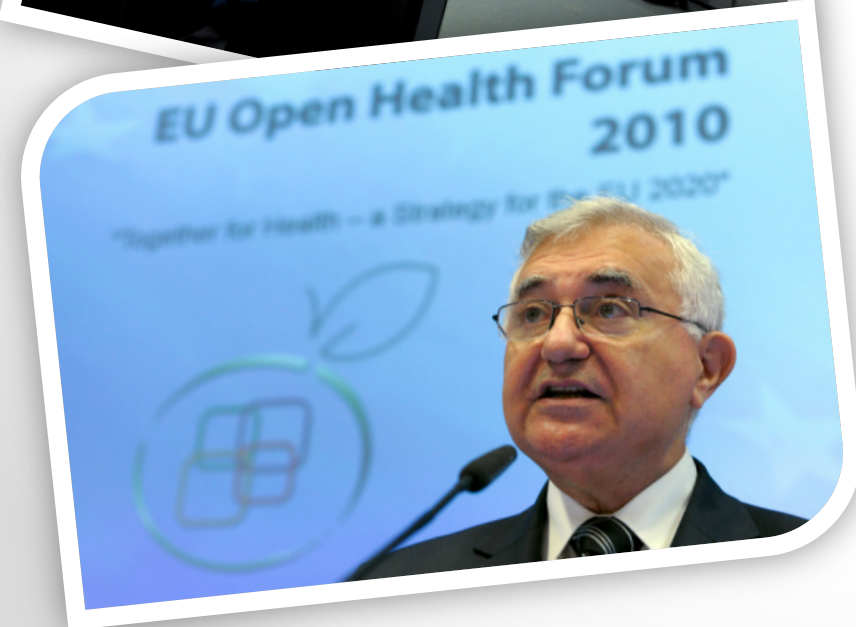
 **Literature review on patient involvement**

 **Database on EU health-related projects**

 **Directory of patient organisations in EU**

 **Overview of legislation on patients' rights**

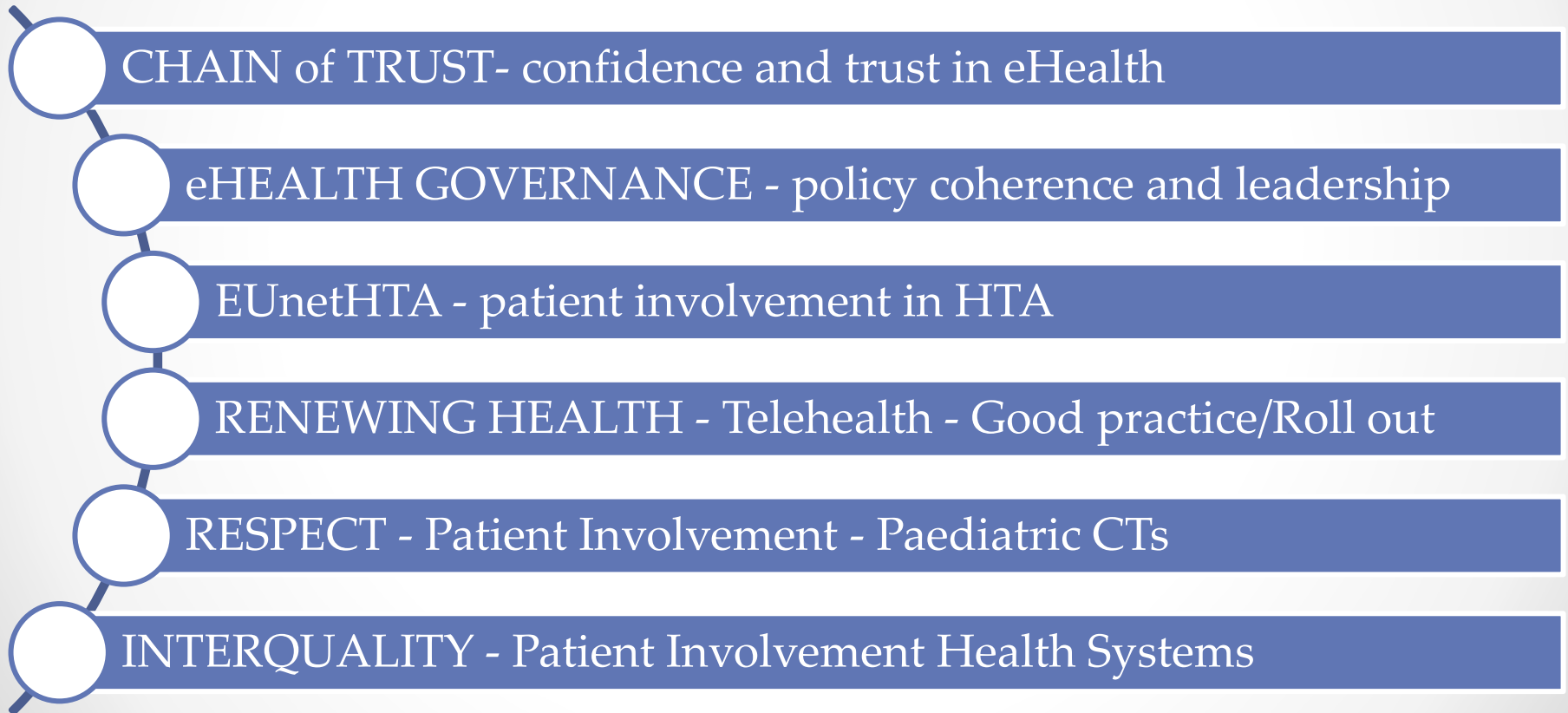




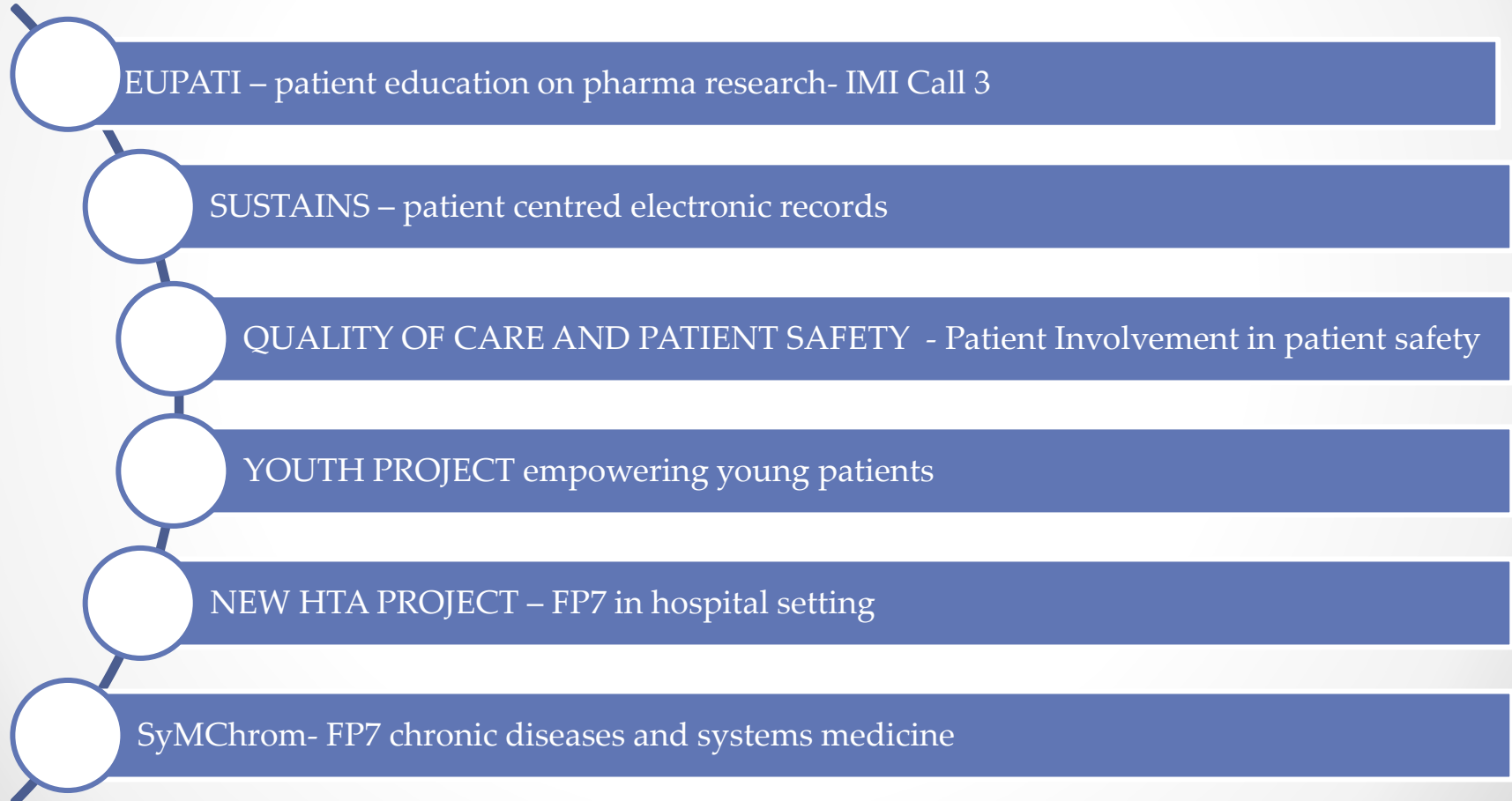
- In a policy sphere
 - Innovation Partnership on Active and Healthy Ageing
- In a programme environment
 - DG RESEARCH
 - IMI
- At individual research project level
 - RESPECT
- Capacity building level
 - Tools linked to Health Technology Assessment, Clinical Trials, Structural Funds, eHealth

EPF Project Pipeline 2011

Projects, launched, midway, to finalise



Projects planned, to be launched



Strategy – National Environment

- Reinforcing national patient platforms' advocacy and campaign work using policy advances at EU level
 - Implementation of the Pharmacovigilance Legislation – Direct Patient Reporting
 - Ensuring provisions of Directive on Patients Rights in Cross Border Healthcare are upheld
 - Coordinated work on Health inequalities and information to patients, health literacy
- Stronger collaboration with Health Stakeholder Allies

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- Strong relationship with Key EU Health Professional Groups
 - ✓ European Federation of Nurses 'EFN'
 - ✓ European Organisation of Doctors 'CPME'
 - ✓ European Organisation of Community Pharmacists 'PGEU'
 - ✓ European Health Managers Association 'EHMA'
 - ✓ European Organisation of Specialist Doctors 'UEMS'
 - ✓ European Society of Intensive Care Medicine
 - ✓ European Federation of Dentists
 - ✓ European Public Health Alliance

Starting point

- Commitment to health literacy, patient empowerment, and patient-centred disease management
- Commitment to dialogue , not monologue
- Patients as co-deciders of their health BUT quintessential role of Health Professionals

TRUST, MUTUAL RESPECT, SYNERGY

Concrete policy examples

- ✓ European Federation of Nurses 'EFN'
 - *Joint advocacy on the European Directive on Professional Qualifications*
- ✓ European Organisation of Doctors 'CPME'
 - *Joint board meeting and 'Joint Principles'*
 - *Advocacy on cross border healthcare*
- ✓ European Organisation of Community Pharmacists 'PGEU'
 - *Joint meeting in the European Parliament - Direct Patient Reporting of Adverse events*
- ✓ Recent initiative CPME, PGEU, EPF
 - ✓ *Major European Parliament event on Adherence and concordance*

Working Together on Projects

- **Patient safety and quality of care**
- *EUNETPAS and the new Joint Action*
- **Acceptance, Confidence and Trust in eHealth Solutions**
- *CHAIN OF TRUST, eHealth Governance, SUSTAINS*
- **Reconciling quality and sustainability in health systems**
- *INTERQUALITY*
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Next EU Programming Period

Major focus – meaningful patient involvement and patient centred disease manageme

- New EU Public Health Programme
- Programme on Research and Development
HORIZON 2020 – health component
- Cohesion Policy and Structural Funds

Health in All Policies

**2011 – development of campaign strategy and
partnerships**

- EPF is making a **measurable difference**
- Our strengths
 - our members' expertise, experience and solidarity
 - our uniquely patients' perspective
 - our commitment to partnership
- Embedding **Meaningful Patient Involvement in the EU health and social policy environment**

