

# OVERVIEW OF EPF PROJECTS AND THE EPF CAPACITY BUILDING PROGRAMME

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“ A STRONG PATIENTS’ VOICE TO  
DRIVE BETTER HEALTH IN EUROPE ”

**Launched in 2012 to strengthen the capacity of both national- and European-level Patient Organisations in order to:**

1. Enable them to be more effective in achieving their mission and goals
2. Strengthen their governance and representativeness
3. Improve the involvement of members and strengthen their ownership of the organisation
4. Improve their cooperation with and involvement in EPF to maximise membership gains

**National Pillar**

**European Pillar**

2012-2013



2013-2014



2014-2015



## Focus for 2015:

### ➤ Evaluation of the 2012-2014 programme

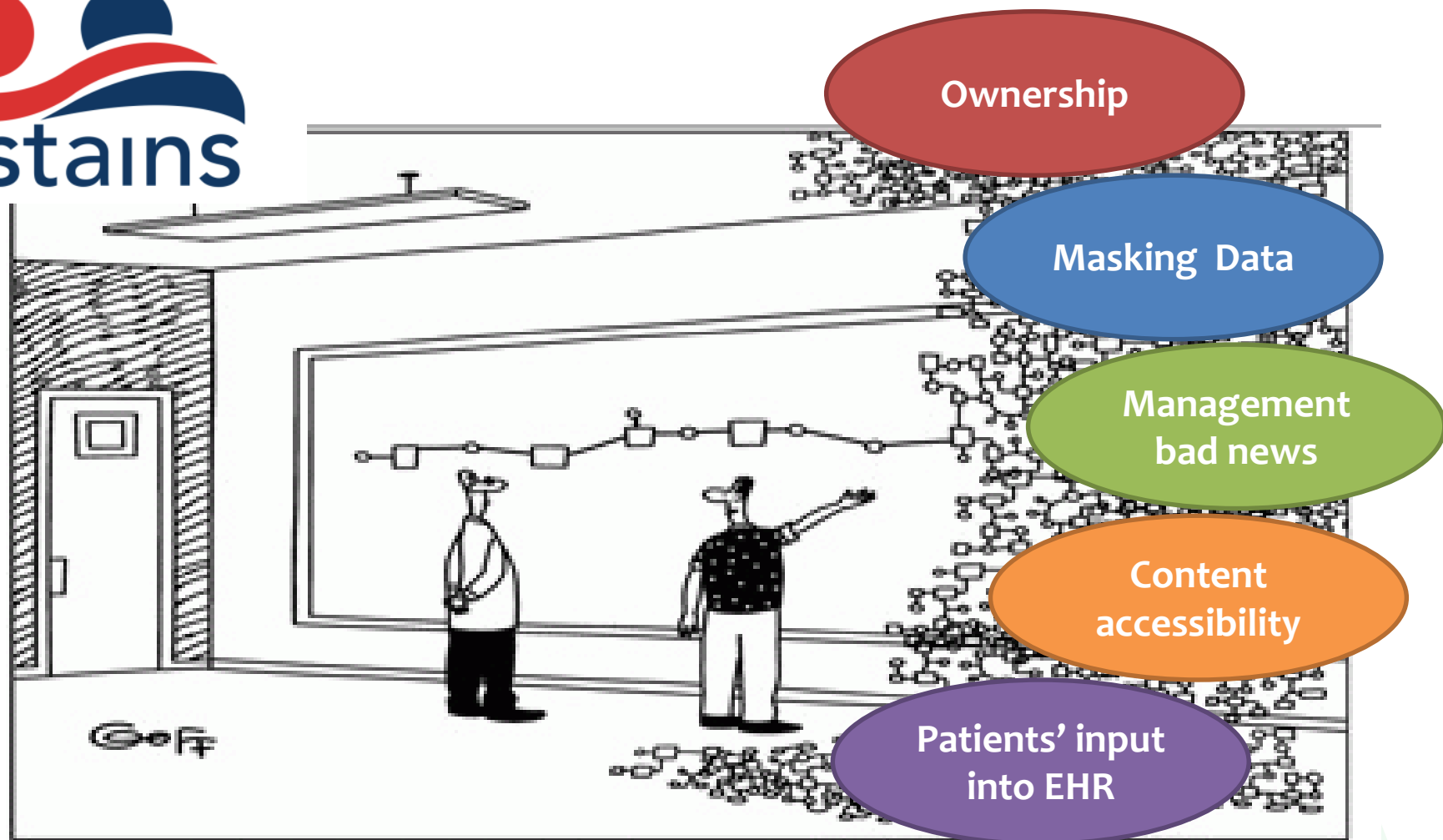
### ➤ National Pillar:

- Training on fundraising in **Romania, Hungary, and Slovakia**
- Training on Communication in **Bulgaria**
- Strategic and Operational Planning in **Cyprus** with the national federation
- Preparatory work in **Poland**

### ➤ European Pillar:

- Module on strategic communication

# SUSTAINS project on patient access to EHR



*"This is where the idea for the new EHR starts getting a little complicated."*

# SmartCare: Integrated Care



- European pilot project on **integrated Health and Social Care**
- Focus on **patients aged over 65**
- Project's main objective is to define:
  - comprehensive set of **integration building blocks** independent of health/social system
  - A **common set of standard functional specifications** for an open ICT platform
- **Two pathways: long term and short-term** care after hospital dismissal
- EPF role in the Advisory Board contributing to the **assessment of patient perspective** and horizontal advisory role







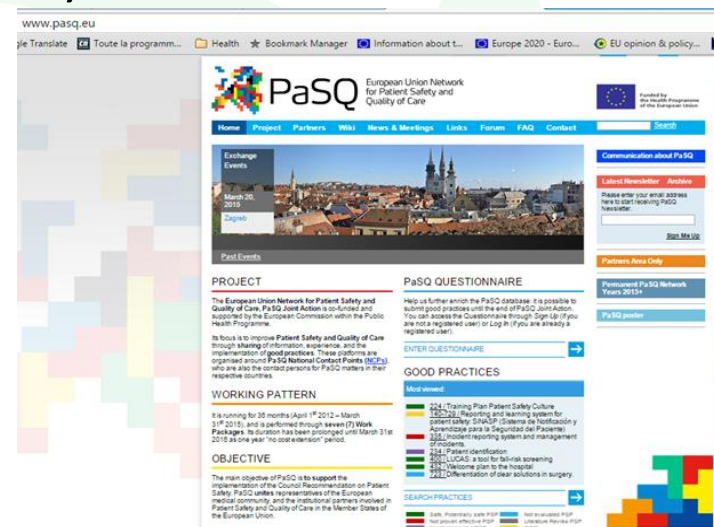
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## Background information:

- Joint Action is co-funded by the European Commission within the Public Health Programme.
- 1 April 2012 – ~~31 March 2015~~,  
by 31 March 2016, “no cost” extension granted.
- Main objective: to support the implementation of the Council Recommendation on Patient Safety (2009).
- Partners: institutional partners from the Member States and Norway, European and international stakeholders.
- EPF is an associate partner
- [www.pasq.eu](http://www.pasq.eu)



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## Main achievements by 31 March 2015:

- **146 Good Organizational Practices** on patient safety and quality of care submitted and evaluated
- **504 Patient Safety Practices** collected and evaluated; **130** classified as transferable
  - **Patient involvement and patient empowerment were among the criteria for evaluation**
- **Safe Clinical Practices** implemented in 220 healthcare organisations from 18 EU members states and Norway
- **35 Exchange Mechanisms** and **1409 participants**

Work in progress:

- Create a sustainable permanent European network on **patient safety and quality of care**



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## Patient Safety and Quality of Care Good Practices



Patient safety practices have been reported by professionals at local level while Quality of care good practices have been reported by EU Member States, Regions and PaSQ EU Stakeholders. All of these practices were reviewed twice, before their display, to ensure they included the appropriate information to facilitate their understanding and transferability.

The Good Practices contained herein should be considered within the context in which they have been implemented. If you consider to adopt some of these practices, please consider your

## Safe Clinical Practices for Implementation



The Safe Clinical Practices (SCPs) are being implemented in Healthcare Organisations in Europe. The findings of a literature review and a survey of PaSQ National Contact Points resulted in a set of 4 SCPs for implementation. For each SCP a tool box has been developed.

[Read more...](#)

[Practices for Implementation](#)



## PaSQ Exchange Mechanisms



PaSQ Exchange Mechanisms are instruments (workshops, study tours, on-line courses, the PaSQ data base etc. ) aiming for sharing, learning and exchanging information, knowledge, skills, and experiences across EU.

The events are based upon Good Practices to enhance quality of care and patient safety. You can read more about planned events and register [here](#).

[Event Calendar](#)





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## EPF's main contribution in the project:

- **Glossary of terms:** definitions that incorporate EPF's view on patient safety and quality of care.
- **Good organisational practices (GOP) and patient safety practices (PSP)** collection and evaluation for sharing.
- Developed the research for the evaluation of **Safe Clinical Practices** implementation, considering patient involvement.
- **Analysis of patient involvement and patient empowerment** as resulted from the submitted GOPs and PSPs
- EPF is part of the **network on patient safety and quality of care** consolidated in the project.





## What it is about

- Co-funded by the Health Programme of the EU
- Duration 2014-2017(39M)
- 63 partners
- Objective: **promote** and **facilitate** a process of exchange and transfer of **good practices** between European countries and regions, addressing chronic conditions, with a specific focus on health promotion and prevention of chronic conditions, multi-morbidity and diabetes.



## Priorities for 2015

- 2<sup>nd</sup> General Assembly in February
- Communication and dissemination: video aimed to raise awareness to be released in Fall 2015
- Consensus building process on patient empowerment interventions
- Training Programme for Healthcare providers (tentative)
- Outcomes from questionnaires on prevention and national diabetes plans

## What it is about

- Financed by the FP7
- Duration: 2013-2015 (24M)
- Multi-stakeholder partnership
- Objective: to suggest future health research and innovation that can contribute significantly towards a sustainable and affordable healthcare.
- Expected output: new **Strategic plan** and **R&D Roadmap**.



## Priorities for 2015

- Final conference (14 and 15 April 2015)
- How we can still contribute to the design of the Strategic Plan and R&D Roadmap?

Survey to be launched in early **June!**



## Pilot Project on the Promotion of Self-care Systems in the EU (tender) – part of EC efforts to develop strategies for policy

- Platform of Experts (Q1-2015)
- Guideline on promotion of self-care (Q4-2015)
- Guideline on communication (Q4-2015)
- Recommendations for EU policy (Q4-2015)
- Final conference (Q1-2016)

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- ✓ Cold
  - ✓ Cough
  - ✓ Athlete's foot
  - ✓ Heartburn
  - ✓ UTI

*“The actions people take for themselves, their children and their families to **prevent** and **care for** minor ailments and long-term conditions and **maintain health and well-being** after an acute illness or discharge from hospital”*

(UK Department of Health 2005)

“Minor conditions” BUT also generic issues regarding self-care (e.g. health literacy, access to information, health inequalities)  
→ Links with self-management in chronic disease

# PISCE Platform of Experts



**Ian Banks**, European Men's Health Forum (UK)  
**Bo Bergmann**, Chalmers University (Sweden)  
**Ales Bourek**, Masaryk University (Czech Republic)  
**Jacqueline Bowman**, Third-i (Belgium)  
**Cristina Cabrita**, DECO/BEUC (Portugal)  
**Eline de Kok**, Dutch Federation of Nurses V&VN (Netherlands)  
**Jacques de Haller**, CPME (Switzerland)  
**Corinna Hartkamp**, AIM (Belgium)  
**Kaisa Immonen-Charalambous**, EPF (Belgium)  
**Barbara Kutryba**, Qveritas (Poland)  
**Gustavo Maraños**, Johnson&Johnson/AESGP (Belgium)  
**Charan Nelander**, Danish Committee for Health Education (Denmark)  
**Herwig Ostermann**, Gesundheit Österreich GmbH (Austria)  
**Wilma Otten**, Organisation for Applied Scientific Research (Netherlands)  
**Jim Phillips**, ENOPE (UK)

**Piera Poletti**, CEREF Centro Ricerca e Formazione Padova (Italy)  
**Alan Quirk**, Royal College of Psychiatry (UK)  
**Danica Rotar Pavlic**, European Forum for Primary Care (Slovenia)  
**Merce Rovira Regas**, EIWH (Spain)  
**David Somekh**, European Health Futures Forum (UK)  
**Kristine Sorensen**, Maastricht University (Netherlands)  
**Rosa Suñol**, Avedis Donabedian Foundation (Spain)  
**Haske van Veenendaal**, Dutch Institute for Healthcare Improvement (Netherlands)  
**Jamie Wilkinson**, PGEU (Belgium)  
**Kristina Zgodavova**, Kosice University (Slovakia)

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