

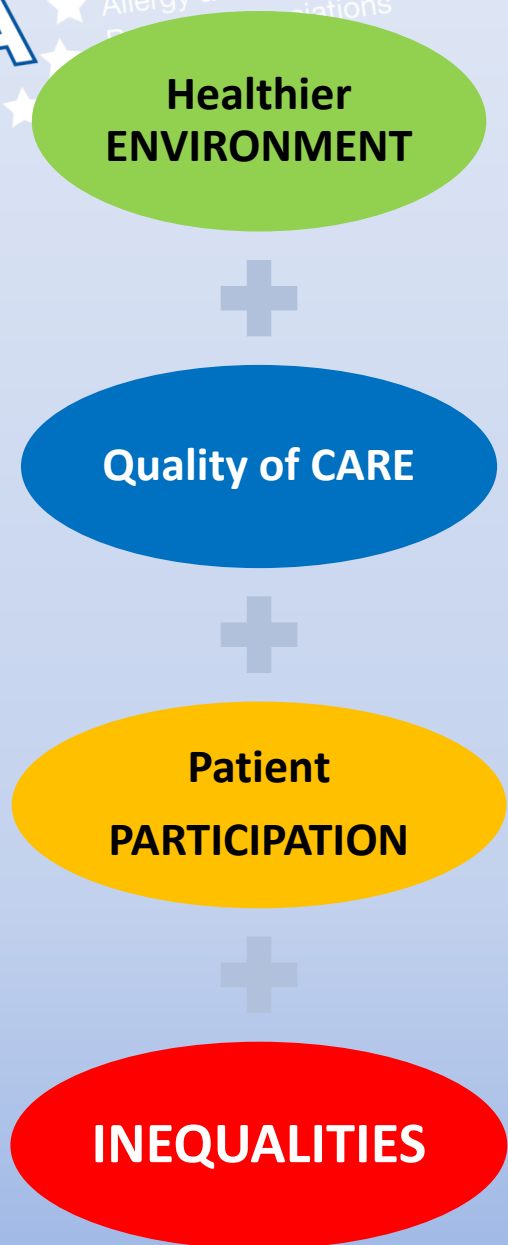


Influencing national and EU policy-making through Partnerships & Alliances

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Europe where **people with allergy, asthma and COPD:**

- Have the right to the best **quality of care** and **safe environment**
- Live **uncompromised lives**
- Are actively **involved in all decisions influencing their health**

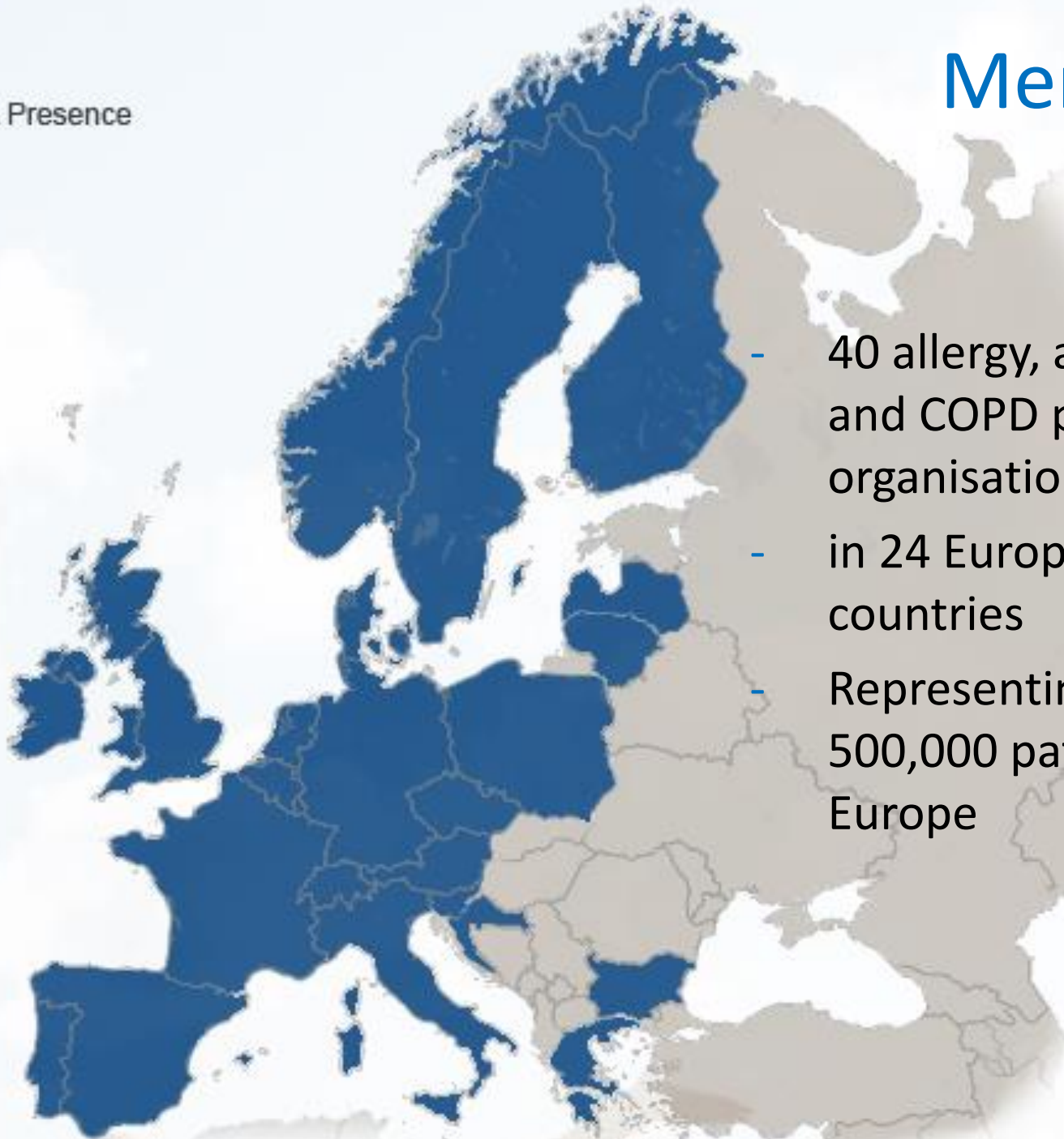


HEALTH IN ALL POLICIES

Members

 = EFA Presence

- 40 allergy, asthma and COPD patient organisations
- in 24 European countries
- Representing 500,000 patients in Europe





- Uniting patient groups at the EU level
- Collaboration
- Sharing knowledge & best practices
- Capacity building
- Tools/Facilitation for policy change

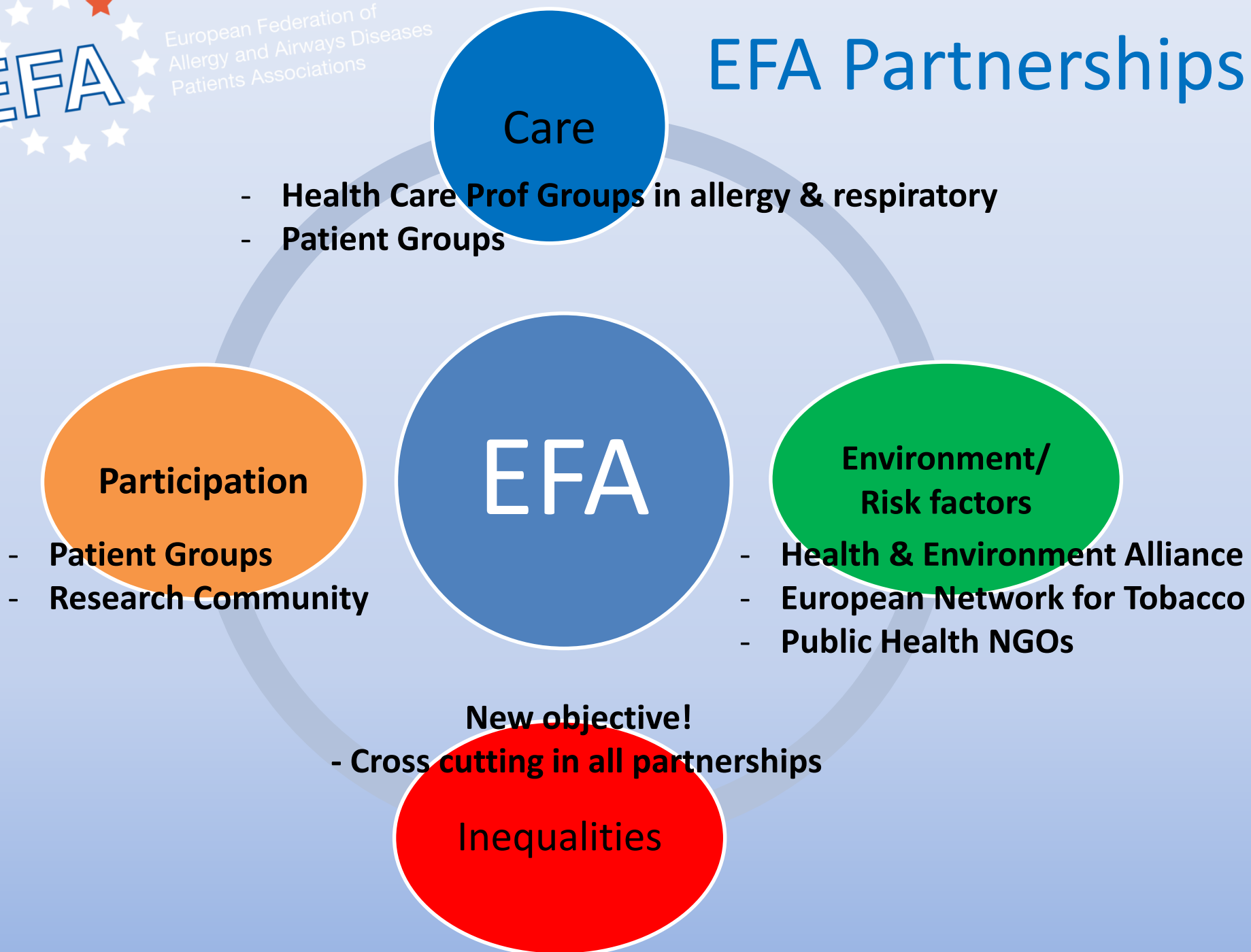
Patient movement development

- More organised (one voice)
- Credible, Equal partner
- From followers to leaders, but in different stages across the EU
- Only possible when partnership building has been done
- Nordic associations: leaders, Europe needs you!

Rationale for partnerships

- The whole **chain of care** patient centred – work with all healthcare professionals (HCPs)
- Integration of **prevention** into care and all policies – work with environment/tobacco/health NGOs
- **Ownership**
- Maximise **impact**, but don't dilute patient perspective
- Let those lead whose core business its all about - > patients to lead on patient centred care!
- Patient groups together: strong voice, shared priorities

EFA Partnerships



Working with Members

- Advocacy tools:
 - Setting the scene: Patient Evidence and Best practise
 - EU legislation: from Briefing, Consultation, Joint position into Template letters to MEPs/Council, Summary of results, Supporting patient involvement in implementation
- Methods
 - Working groups: patient education, health determinants, allergy, asthma, COPD
 - Training: Annual Meet & Greet the EU In
 - Capacity building project
 - Translations

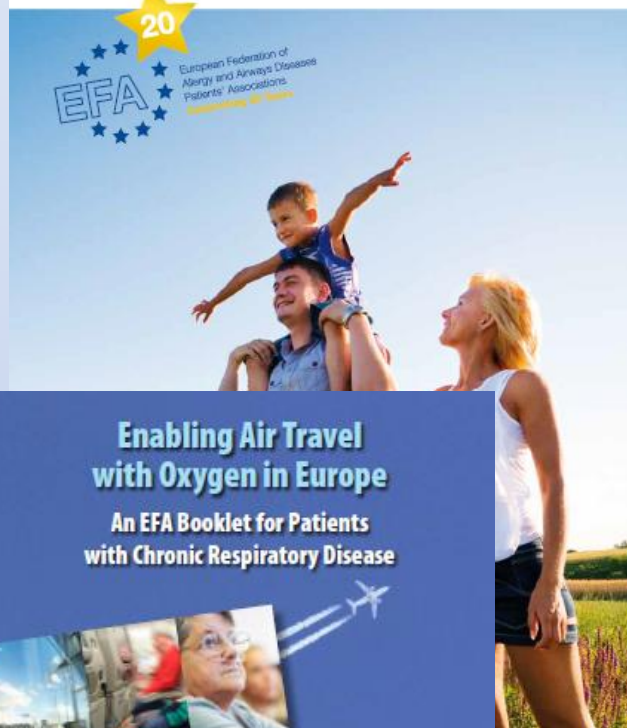




EFA BOOK ON Respiratory Allergies

RAISE AWARENESS, RELIEVE THE BURDEN

Edited by Erkka Valovirta



Enabling Air Travel with Oxygen in Europe

An EFA Booklet for Patients
with Chronic Respiratory Disease



SURVEY REPORT 2014 Harmonizing Prevention and Other Measures for COPD Patients Across Europe



EFA Manifesto for 2014 European Parliament Elections

Three priority areas and fourteen actions to improve the health and quality of life of people with asthma, allergy and chronic obstructive pulmonary disease in Europe

"From 2014, help to improve health among people with allergy and airways diseases"



400,000 EFA patients
= 400,000 votes



Are you going on a trip and you need to have medical oxygen therapy on-board?

This document will guide you to take the necessary precautions to have a pleasant journey, from airport and airline procedures, towards a safe arrival.

EFA Meet & Greet the EU Institutions Training

13-14th October 2014, Brussels

Health is a competence of Member States. However, the European Union regulates on many aspects that impact patients' lives, by setting standards and procedures that need to be applied in each of the 28 Member States. For this reason, EFA has been organising the "Meet and Greet" training on the EU institutions since 2007 as part of our strategy to involve members in the decision-making of EU policies. In the 2014 edition, 11 participants from 8 patients' associations increased their knowledge on the latest developments in health policy at European level and unveiled the EU decision making process through a role play, where they experienced the medical devices regulation negotiations by putting in practice what they have learnt in theory. They also met with officials from the European Commission and presented their work to MEPs, obtaining key and direct contacts with their representatives at EU level. For more information on EFA's Meet and Greet the EU institutions training, visit www.efanet.org or contact policy@efanet.org

"EFA's Meet and Greet was a really engaging event and a great introduction to the EU institutions. I'm now much more confident about how to make sure people with asthma have their voices heard in Europe".

Emily, Asthma UK



"Education about patients' rights is a key element of continuous learning that parents of children with long-term conditions need to have. The insight I got from this training is a precious heritage that I will share with other parents. This training empowered me, thank you EFA for organising it!"

Antonia, Association of Parents of Asthmatic Children of Zagreb



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- Our key partner:
 - Brings us together with other chronic disease patient groups
 - Leads on issues common to all patients and decided at EU level: Medical Devices and Clinical Trials legislations, Patient Safety....
 - Shares important policy developments
 - Provides easy opportunities for advocacy
 - Builds our capacity
 - Saves our resources

National Alliances/Platforms of Patients

- Building one united patient voice
- Solidarity across diseases to achieve access to & quality of care
- Share common issues, concentrate on your disease specific issues
- When one patient voice is invited, all will be represented
 - Health care policy
 - Patient participation

European 'Patients Policy'

← UNIFIED MESSAGES – SOLIDARITY ACROSS DISEASES – PATIENT POWER →

EU Policy

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Patients'
Forum

National Platforms of
Patient Groups

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Local patient groups

European Level
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ALL PATIENTS!

← EU POLICY IN SUPPORT OF NATIONAL POLICY – NATIONAL POLICY INFORMING EU POLICY →



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with Keith Taylor, MEP at the EP



2015 World Asthma Day

**Take actions to tackle the allergy and
asthma epidemic in Europe**

**Join the EP Interest Group on
Allergy and Asthma!**

