

**An overview of the European Public Health Alliance,  
Collaborating partner to CANCON, WP 2**

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# WHO ARE WE?

## The **European Public Health Alliance (EPHA)**....

- Is a Brussels-based network representing the public health community throughout Europe
- Represents 90+ member organisations based in the EU-28 and EFTA states, EU applicant and candidate countries and beyond (WHO Region)
- Is a "**change agent**": EPHA's **mission** is to bring together the public health community to provide thought leadership and facilitate change; to build public health capacity to deliver equitable solutions to European public health challenges, to improve health and reduce health inequalities
- Advocates for more citizen involvement and transparency in political decision-making processes on health policy at EU level



# WHO ARE OUR MEMBERS?



## European Level



## 91 Organisations

## National level

- Disease specific NGOs
- Health professionals
- Patient groups
- Academic groupings
- Other health associations



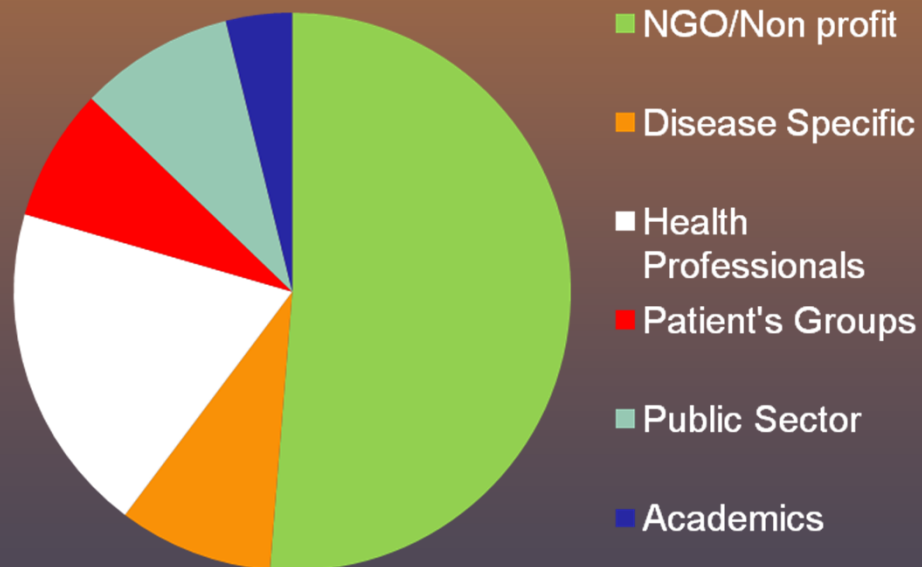
## Regional Level





# WHO ARE OUR MEMBERS?

One of our major assets! Our membership represents the interests of a wide range of civil society organisations covering different health-related needs, issues and target groups. Together we work to improve health and strengthen the voice of public health in Europe.





# 5 years strategic plan (2011-2015)

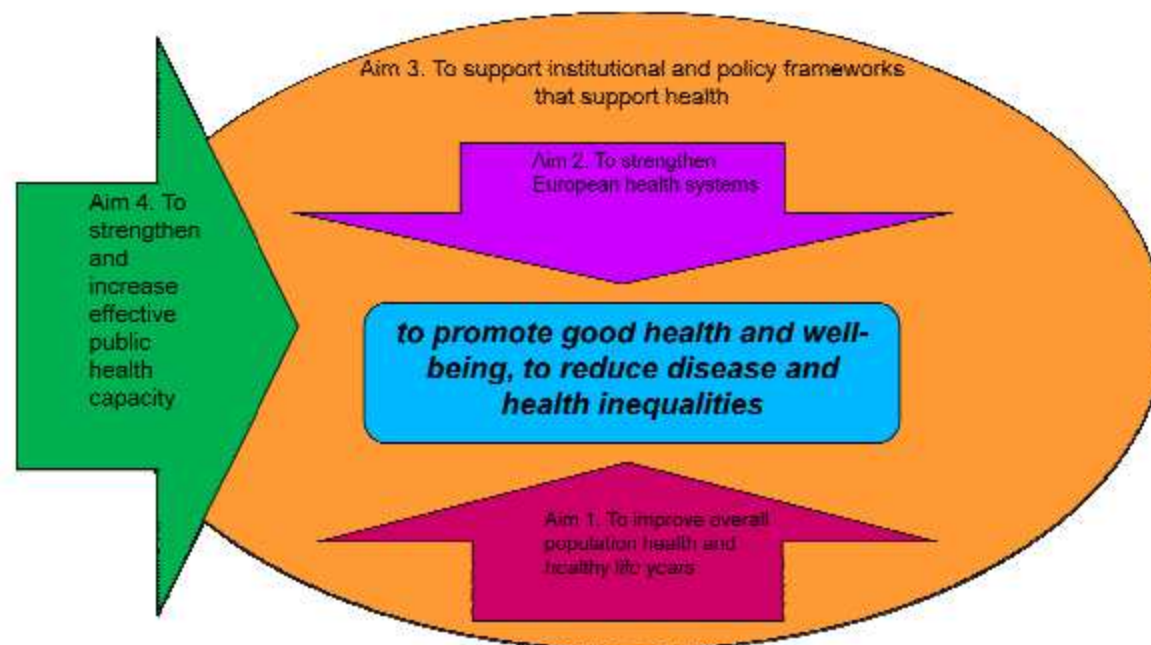
## Goal and objectives

We have one overarching objective **“to promote good health and well-being, to reduce disease and health inequalities”** with general objectives for the five year period:

1. **To improve overall population health and healthy life years, through tackling determinants of health including inequalities**
2. **To strengthen European health systems, with better patient outcomes and reduced inequalities, using the health sector a driver for change**
3. **To support institutional and policy frameworks that promote health, by addressing policy incoherence and improving governance**

In order to achieve our general objectives, we have a fourth horizontal objective

4. **To strengthen and increase effective public health capacity, within the EPHA membership and our partners**





# WHO DO WE WORK WITH?

## Partnership and Dialogue

- European Food Standards Agency (EFSA)
- European Medicines Agency (EMA)
- European Centre for Disease Prevention & Control (ECDC)
- EU Health Policy Forum
- EU Platform for Diet, Physical Activity and Health
- EU Platform on Alcohol and Health
- Platform of European Social NGOs
- Civil Society Contact Group
- Health and Environment Alliance (HEAL)
- WHO, IMF, OECD, UN...



# Expectation of CanCon



- Raising awareness about the importance of prevention focusing on cancer
- Enhance cooperation & structured dialogue among partners
- Giving higher visibility for cancer prevention in the relevant EU policies and processes (research, European Semester)
- Strengthen evidence base (new data)



# Wishes & feedback to WP2



- Mobilising EPHA member organisations interested in cancer policies
- Sharing data, information and best practices
- Added value by representing other organisations that are working on determinants of cancer but not specifically on cancer per se





Thank you for your attention!

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