

National policy conference on Cancon (or implementation seminars in Member states)

Task: The Commission asked in its evaluation to pay attention to Member state implementation of Cancon
Member States Seminars: WP2 Dissemination team developed the idea of MS seminars, organised by focal points in collaboration with Cancon specialists.

What is Cancon? Introducing working timetables, contact points and major challenges.

Aim and target groups: To give basic information on Cancon to different target groups involved in cancer control. A special emphasis on reciprocity and engagement.

Place: Offices of national focal points of governmental level in cancer control– ministries, national research institutes, other major stakeholders, ie. NGOs, patient advocacy groups, health care professionals and researchers.

Duration: approx. 2,5 - 3 hours

Other: Informal, discussion, can be public (with media) or working meetings/ according to national preferences/ flexible to national interests. NB! The reversed session is ideal in small groups. If the audience is more than 30 people, panel session only is recommended.

WP2 dissemination will prepare introductory slides for your use for 2 topics: Cancon in general/ what can you do? And the Guide (the Guide timetable, policy papers).

Preliminary programme

A. Welcome! The aim of the conference. 10 minutes, officer of national focal point of governmental level

B. A brief introduction of Cancon in general, and what are the benefits of the joint action to our national situation? 20 minutes, Cancon representative

C. 2 - 3 presentations of cancer control according to national interests, needs and challenges. 15 minutes each, by Cancon representative OR specialist from the ministry, research institute, health care sector or NGO.

The talks should be about Cancon themes modified according to national needs:

- integrated cancer control
- community level cancer care
- survivorship and rehabilitation
- screening

D. EU Health Programme in general, its objectives and tools, and Cancon in particular as part of the programme. The national participation to the programme and benefits from it to the national level. 15 minutes.

E. Discussion, minimum 20 minutes.

F. Brainstorming session on how to implement findings of the joint action at national level. 20 – 30 minutes.

G. Summary and the next steps, rapporteur, 10 minutes