

Twinning edition N° 2



Date: 30 March 2023

Place: Prague (Czech Republic)

Venue: Ministerstvo zdravotnictví, Palackého náměstí 375/4, 128 01 Praha 2

Host: Secretariat General of the Ministry of Health (SGMS)

Twinning Group:

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CONCEPT

The Joint Action on Increasing the Capacity of National Focal Points (NFP) (NFP4Health) is a 40-months action by the European Commission with the main objective of creating and maintaining an innovative ecosystem to facilitate and support European countries in achieving health objectives priorities established for the period 2021-2027. By developing and strengthening the National Focal Points (NFPs) capacities of European Countries, the Joint Action aims to provide quality access to the new EU4HEALTH Programme and to assure the complementarity with other regional, national and EU policies, funds and programmes. This action will allow maximizing efforts to leverage all available health funding, to guarantee the accessibility and sustainability of healthcare systems. NFP4Health project will contribute to create an innovative, sustainable and coherent network of NFPs that will increase the capacity of the Member States to design and create sustainable implementation actions that will boost the achievement of health objectives for the period 2021-2027.

As part NFP4Health, Task 6.3 “NFPs Twinning Programme” will be organised to **share in a structured and output-oriented way approaches, good practices and tools between/among NFPs.**

Eight editions of the Twinning programme are foreseen for NFPs, focusing on **countries with low participation rates or newly nominated NFPs**, in order to **provide opportunities for exchange of experiences and good practices, and to improve successful national NFP services.** Sharing experiences, skills and ideas enables NFPs and NFP networks to develop and scale-up approaches, services and tools targeting stakeholders. This exchange might be more important due to the beginning of the new Programme and will be managed by virtual interaction (Zoom, Skype) and site visits, to meet the team and learn about a specific set of activities/tools.

Thematic focus for this edition:

- *NFP role and activities: soft skills and measures to maximize participation and success of national applicants in the Programme*
- *Engagement of Industry in the participation in EU4Health*
- *Data collection on national participation and performance. How to address/monitor and going beyond the state-of-the-art, supporting applicants.*
- *Other*

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AGENDA

9.00 CET	Welcome coffee
9.30	REGISTRATION/ WELCOME
9.30	Welcome and opening of the Twinning session <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Katerina Grygarova, Director Head of European Funds and Investment Development Department, Ministry of Health of Czech Republic
9.40	Presentation of the Ministry of Health of Czech Republic: mission, strategies and internationalization <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Matous Duraj, Head of Financial Mechanism Unit, European Funds and Investment Development Department, Ministry of Health of Czech Republic ▪ Petra Bockova, Official, Financial Mechanism Unit, European Funds and Investment Development Department, Ministry of Health of Czech Republic
10.00	MENTEES' CONSULTATION
10.00	Tour de table among Twinning participants <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ All participants
10.15	Laying the ground for consultation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Mathilde De Bonis, Training & Capacity Building: Head of Unit, International Cooperation, Horizon Europe competence team: Health, APRE - Agenzia per la Promozione della Ricerca Europea
10.20	Sharing real experiences and needs in each Country – 5 minutes pitch: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Mentees (9 countries: Czech Republic, Germany, Italy, Lithuania, Slovakia, Slovenia, Slovenia, Spain, Ukraine)
11.05	MENTORING SESSIONS
11.05	Sharing best practices from Mentor <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Vincent Buhagiar, Ministry of Health, Malta ▪ Jost de Bruin and Michelle van Wijk, RVO, The Netherlands ▪ Ljubica Pakovic, Ministry of Health, Serbia
11.30	DISCUSSION & COLLABORATION SESSION
11.30	Discussion and a practical exercise based on the previous discussed topics: e.g. how to organize a matchmaking on-site event <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ All participants facilitated by APRE
12.00	CLOSURE
12.00	Lunch