

# JA CraNE

## Preparing for the EU Network of National Comprehensive Cancer Centres

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# General information about the project

The CraNE Joint Action was proposed for funding in response to the *Flagship No 5 of the Europe's Beating Cancer Plan*, which defines that the European Commission will establish by 2025, an EU Network linking recognised National Comprehensive Cancer Centres (CCCs) in every Member State

The main aim of CraNE JA is to create an EU Network of the already existing and newly established CCCs to support the implementation of quality-assured:

**Early detection,  
Screening,  
Diagnosis & Treatment,  
Support to cancer survivors, and  
Research & Training of the cancer workforce**



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The CraNE JA brings together 46 partners:

24 Competent authorities and  
22 Affiliated entities from 25 different countries

Duration: 2 years – Oct 2022 – Sept 2024

There will be a significant number of national and international experts involved in the CraNE Joint Action - **102 senior experts**, researchers and advisers will be working on the CraNE Joint Action, from all Competent Authorities and Affiliated Entities

Webpage: [www.crane4health.eu](http://www.crane4health.eu)



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## Some of the challenges

- Introducing a new entity
- Issues related to definitions and targets
- A wide diversity of national specific situations
- A very lengthy process of consensual solutions to be developed (still in progress)
- Lack of definitions in the policy documents
- Additionally developed term, such as Comprehensive Cancer Infrastructures (CCIs) adding to confusion
- Very demanding targets – EU Network up by 2025 and 90% of the eligible (?) patients having access by 2030



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## Some of the solutions

- Working closely with the Competent Authorities
- Establishment of a Governmental Board to discuss policy challenges
- Organisation of a retreat to discuss difficult questions
- Direct communication with the resolution of specific challenges:
  - German specific solutions and challenges
  - Small Member States



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# What makes for a 'good' co-ordinator

- Ability to listen
- Ability to reach a compromise
- Putting the common in front of the particular
- Being able to take decisions when needed and stand by them
- Seek the broadest consensus on most key issues



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