

Kick-off Meeting: 3 - 4 November 2022 Brussels



Welcome to the Newsletter of the CrANE JA!

We aim in these Newsletters to keep you informed of our news and current affairs, and to further involve our member centers and patients in its growth and development.

In this issue, get informed about the CrANE Kick-off meetings: WP1 held in Brussels, WP5 in Rome, WP6-WP8, both in Berlin and lastly, WP7 in Paris.

Finally, learn more about the first CrANE Governmental Board which will be held on April 20th, 2023 in Brussels, as well as the Workshop of Crane WP7 which will take place on 21 April 2023 in Paris.



WP1 Kick-off Meeting Brussels,

3 - 4 November 2022

Kick-off meeting of the CrANE Joint Action (JA) was held at the Permanent Representation of the Republic of Slovenia to the European Union in Brussels. On-line participation was enabled as well.

After the initial welcome messages from the representatives of the European Commission the project scientific coordinator Assist Prof Tit Albreht from the Slovenian National Institute of Public Health presented the overview of CrANE JA and its objectives. The Slovenian coordinators of CrANE JA presented as well the project management, meeting structure, administrative procedures, financial and technical reporting. Work package (WP) leaders introduced the content and objectives of all four core and four horizontal WPs. Special attention was paid to the presentations of the WP leaders of the core WPs which will greatly contribute to the establishment of the European Network of Comprehensive Cancer Centres.

CrANE WP5 Kick-off Meeting in Rome,

1 December 2022

The kick-off meeting of the CrANE WP5, led by Italy (Italian National Institutes of Health), on “Composition, governance, joining process and functioning of the EU Network of CCCs”, has been held on 1 December 2022. Essential topics as well as clarifications on common (to other WPs) issues have been addressed and agreed.

CrANE WP6 Kick-off Meeting

5 - 6 December 2022, Berlin

The kick-off of WP6, Organization of high-quality cancer care in Comprehensive Cancer Care Networks (CCCN) under the leadership of the German Cancer Society (DKG) had its kick-off meeting on 5-6 December 2022 in Berlin. Over the next two years, the working group will develop and pilot recommendations using the example of lung cancer centres in order to establish and expand access to quality-assured oncological care in all member states. Furthermore, the working group will define and establish interfaces between care and research and between CCCs and CCNs.

WP7 Kick-off Meeting in Paris,

9-10 January 2023

The launch meeting of the WP7, led by France and co-led by Norway, within the framework of the CraNE JA, took place on 9 & 10 January in Paris, focused on the definition of standards and criteria for future Cancer Centres.

The Main Objective of the CraNE WP7:

- To develop a consensus on integrated cancer centers, both stand-alone centers and centers in academic or General Hospitals.
- The specific objective is to establish a framework to enable the implementation of Comprehensive Cancer Centers (CCCs).

The next meeting of the WP7 group will take place in Paris in April.

CraNE WP8 Kick-off Meeting

6 December 2022, Berlin

The kick-off of WP8 “Equitable access to high-quality care and research: networks in the context of CCCs” took place right after the WP6 meeting on 6 December.



Upcoming Meetings:

20 April, Brussels,

CraNE WP4 Governmental Board (GAB)

We are pleased to invite the CraNE Governmental Board to the **1st Meeting**, to be held on April 20th 2023, in Brussels.

The GAB is linked to CraNE WP4, which works on JA’s sustainability; its results will be translated into a **Maturity Model** that could be used by EU Member States for assessing their capacity to be part of the EU Network of CCCs (EU NCCCs) and secondly, the **CraNE Blueprint** will map all the necessary steps for organizing CCCs and to be part of the EU NCCCs.

Twice a year, the CraNE GAB will meet to be updated on the main activities and to provide support and insights on the content and the format of the Maturity model and the Blueprint.

21 April, Paris,

Workshop of CraNE WP7

We are pleased to announce the upcoming workshop to close the first consultation phase of the CraNE WP7. This workshop will take place in Paris on 21 April 2023.

During the working meeting, a summary of each sub-task for task 7.2 will be prepared for our Partners to review the standards and criteria of the CCCs discussed.

CraNE WP7 Kick-off Meeting in Paris,



9 - 10 January 2023



CraNE: ambitious but feasible program faces challenges:

- to achieve common understanding about the **Comprehensiveness** of Cancer Centers, as the concrete basis on which the program will build towards qualitative Cancer Care.
- to address, deliver and establish framework, quality criteria and governance principles that will lead to the **implementation of CCCNs**.

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