
12-13 December 2016
Thon Hotel EU, Brussels, Belgium

The European Response to Chronic Diseases - the Role of Civil Society

Meeting Objectives

- 1 **To review** the current status and facilitate sharing of experiences among regional and national NCD civil society organisations (CSOs) active in Europe

- 2 **To strengthen** the capacity of NCD civil society organisations in forming alliances to drive advocacy, policy, and accountability

- 3 **To support** implementation of the 2016-2025 WHO European Action Plan for the Prevention and Control of NCDs, and other regional NCD priorities, through effective collaboration between CSOs, including patient organisations, within and across countries, with WHO Regional Office for Europe, European Union (EU) and national policymakers

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Meeting Programme

DAY 1

Monday, 12 December 2016



09:00 – 09:30 Registration & Coffee

09:30 – 11:00 INAUGURAL SESSION

Introduction & Objectives of the meeting

Prof Johan De Sutter, Acting Chairman, European Chronic Disease Alliance (ECDA)

The EU NCD response and the role of civil society

Ms Ingrid Keller, Policy coordinator, Health programme and chronic diseases, DG SANTE, European Commission

Meeting the challenge of NCDs: international frameworks and the role of civil society

Dr Bente Mikkelsen, Head, Secretariat of the WHO Global Coordination Mechanism on the Prevention and Control of NCDs

The contributions of NCD civil society towards ensuring national, regional and global progress

Ms Katie Dain, Executive Director, NCD Alliance



11:00 - 11:30 Group Photo & Coffee Break

11:30 – 13:00 SESSION 1 Profiling NCD Civil Society in Europe

This session will aim to provide an overview of NCD civil society in the European Region, highlighting strengths, challenges, opportunities and good practices.

Moderator: Prof Joep Perk, Advocacy Committee, European Society of Cardiology

NCD civil society in the WHO European region, situational analysis results

Mr Dmitriy Yanin, Confederation of Consumer Societies (KONFOP)

The European Chronic Disease Alliance: Areas of work, experiences, challenges, lessons learnt and good practices

Prof Johan De Sutter, Acting Chairman, ECDA

Areas of work, experiences, challenges, lessons learnt and good practices

Mr Tryggve Eng Kielland, Special Adviser, International Affairs, Norwegian Cancer Society, Norwegian NCD Alliance

Building Partnerships and finding a common agenda

Ms Mariann Skar, Secretary General, Eurocare - European Alcohol Policy Alliance

Addressing NCDs by building off existing networks – challenges and opportunities

Prof Elif Dagli, Turkish Coalition on Tobacco or Health



Discussion



13:00 – 14:00 Lunch

14:00 – 16:00 SESSION 2

Fostering cooperation between CSOs and policymakers at local, national and regional level

This session will aim to provide examples of effective collaboration and opportunities for exchange between stakeholders.

Moderator: *Prof Guy Joos, President, European Respiratory Society*

Multi-sectoral approaches for improving NCD prevention and treatment policies

Ms Lydia Makaroff, Executive Director, European Cancer Patients Coalition

Building legal capacity to support the NCD agenda

Ms Ingrid Stenstavold Ross, Head of Section for Prevention, Norwegian Cancer Society

Addressing NCDs through policy at EU and at national level

Dr Ricardo Baptista, MP, Portugal

WHO European Action Plan for the Prevention and Control of NCDs 2016-2025

Dr Jill Farrington, Senior Technical Officer, WHO Regional Office for Europe



Discussion



16:00 – 16:30 Tea / Coffee

16:30 – 17:30 SESSION 3

Addressing common risk factors for NCDs in Europe

This session will aim to provide an overview of civil society addressing common risk factors for NCDs in the European Region, highlighting strengths, challenges, opportunities and good practices.

Moderator: *Ms Nina Renshaw, Secretary General, European Public Health Alliance*

Trade and taxation insights from tobacco experience for alcohol control (drawing from experience into negotiating on trade issues, taxation, etc)

Ms Fiona Godfrey, Policy & Public Affairs Director, European Association for the Study of the Liver

EU internal market considerations and public health interest: can they go hand in hand?

A Case Study.

Ms Stella de Sabata, Regional Manager, International Diabetes Federation European Region

The role of the EU Platform for Action on Diet, Physical Activity and Health

Ms Susanne Løgstrup, Director, European Heart Network

Salt restriction as an example of action at policy level to improve general health and prevent chronic disease

Prof Raymond Vanholder, Chairman, European Kidney Health Alliance



Discussion



17:30 – 18:00 Closing remarks

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DAY 2

Tuesday, 13 December 2016



8:30 – 08:45 **Recap of DAY 1**
Moderators Sessions Day 1

08:45 - 11:30 **SESSION 1**
Breakout Session I

GROUP WORK

Groups will undertake a SWOT analysis of the current status and capacity at local/national level and discuss the contributions of CSOs towards supporting implementation of the 2016-2025 European WHO NCD Action Plan and define strategies for better alignment and collaboration. Groups will identify and prioritise common CSO needs in order to participate in efforts for prevention and control of NCDs.



10:30 – 11:00 Coffee Break

11:30 – 13:00 **SESSION 1**
Plenary Discussion

Group report back and plenary discussion



13:00 – 14:00 Lunch

14:00 - 15:00 **SESSION 2**
Wrap-up and Conclusions

This session will summarise the 2 day's proceedings and will agree on a list of follow-up actions for increased engagement and action of NCD civil society as part of a broader multi-sectoral response to NCDs to support the WHO Action Plan on NCDs 2016-2025.

Moderated by representatives of *NCDA, WHO, ECDA*