### ECPC GENERAL ASSEMBLY
ENSURING THE RIGHTS OF CANCER PATIENTS IN EUROPE

### HOTEL NOVOTEL

**Friday, 20 June**

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<td>17:00–18:00</td>
<td>Informal meeting with the Board</td>
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| 18:00–19:00| **Sustainability of patient organizations in difficult times**  
A hands-on workshop on fundraising and advocacy matters  
Maria Moudatsou, PRAKSIS, Greece (PARIS RIVE GAUCHE ROOM) |
| 19:00–20:00| **Presenting the work in progress of the movie “The Network”**  
– a documentary film on the missing cancer drugs and their smuggling to Romania (A production Parada Film/Wearebasca)  
(Director: Claudiu Mitcu)  
* followed by a debate in the presence of the film Director |
| 21:00–22:00| Cocktail                                                                                     |

Registration desk opens at 15.00 p.m.
Saturday, 21 June

**OPENING**

09:00–09:30

Coordinator: Mihaela Militaru, *Director ECPC*

**Building on our 10-year legacy**

*Francesco de Lorenzo - President of ECPC*

**The principles on which ECPC was established**

*Lynn Faulds Wood – former ECPC President and co-founder*

09:30–11:00

1st Session: Patients ask policy makers: can all Europeans access cancer care?

Coordinator: Kathi Apostolidis, *Vice-President of ECPC*

1.1. **Romania’s plan to reduce inequalities in cancer care**

*Prof. dr. Dorel Săndesc, Secretary of State, Romanian Ministry of Health*

1.2. **A catalyst for change:**

*The European Cancer Patient’s Bill of Rights*

*Prof. Mark Lawler, Project Lead, European Cancer Concord (ECC)*

1.3. **How MEPs can highlight and advocate against healthcare inequalities in Europe**

*Cristian Busoi - MEP Romania*

1.4. **The Commissions’ perspective on tackling inequalities in cancer care in Europe**

*Mr. Antoni Montserrat, Policy Officer for cancer and rare diseases, Directorate of Public Health, European Commission*

1.5. **Healthcare journalism and its role**

*Vlad Mixich, 2014 Eisenhower Fellow for Innovation, Journalist*

**Discussion**

11:00–11:30

Coffee Break – Press statements

11:30–12:00

2nd Session: Patient empowerment starts with knowledge

Coordinator: Rafal Swierzewski, *ECPC Board Member*

2.1. **Patient involvement in medicines evaluation within the European Medicines Agency**

*Nathalie Bere, Stakeholder & Communication Division, EMA*
2.2 The importance of Biobanking in Cancer - patient’s perspective  
*Peter Riegman - Leader of WP10 'Biobanking' of Eurocanplatform  
Maggie Wilcox - Independent Cancer Patients' Voice*

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3rd Session: Access to cancer care  
Coordinator: Francesco De Lorenzo, President

3.1. The importance of access to radiotherapy  
*Prof. Dr. Ion-Christian Chiricuta, Amethyst Radiotherapy Clinic (Romania)*

3.2. The importance of evidence: Cancer registration  
*Ana-Maria Forsea, MD, PhD, Assistant Professor of Dermatology, Carol Davila University of Medicine and Pharmacy Bucharest*

3.3. Equal chances : access of Romanian patients to innovative and personalised treatments  
*Nela Păvăloiu, President, European Development Platform*

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4th Session: Cancer patient rights: tools for advocacy  
Coordinator: Jana Pelouchova – Secretary of ECPC

4.1. The Cross-border Healthcare Directive – A myth or a fallacy ?  
*Kathi Apostolidis, Vice-President ECPC*

4.2 Defending your rights as cancer patients to the European Courts  
*Prof. Andrea Saccucci, Ph.D. - International Law at the University of Naples II*

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15:30-16:50 ECPC Members take the floor  
7 patient organizations present their best practices
### 16:50-17:05

**Break**

### 17:05–18:35

**Assessing members’ needs, contributions and potential for collaboration, Introduction by Francesco de Lorenzo**

“What can ECPC do for me?”

“How can I contribute as a member for this to happen?”

ECPC Members will reunite in Working Groups. Each Working Group will have a facilitator that will collect the priorities, suggestions for actions needed on the most relevant action areas (e.g. National Cancer Plans, Access to Medicines, Access to Employment and Social Benefits, etc.)

**ECPC WGs and facilitators:**

- **Access to employment and social benefits** – Kathi Apostolidis
- **Access to integrated cancer care (Medicines, Radiotherapy, Rehabilitative Care)** – Vlad Voiculescu
- **Paediatric Oncology** – Rafal Swierzewski
- **Rare Cancers** – Kalliopi Christoforidi and Jana Pelouchova
- **Head and Neck Cancers** – Mihaela Militaru
- **Lung Cancer** – Francesco de Lorenzo

### 18:35-18:45

**Conclusions – Francesco de Lorenzo, President**

### 20:00-22:00

**Gala Dinner at CASA DOINA**

(www.casadoina.ro)
### Sunday, 22 June

**Formal Annual General Meeting of ECPC**

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<td>ECPC President announces the opening of Annual General Meeting 2014&lt;br&gt;Nomination of the AGM Secretary&lt;br&gt;Approval of 2013 AGM Minutes&lt;br&gt;Annual Report of ECPC&lt;br&gt;Francesco de Lorenzo - President and Kathi Apostolidis - Vice-President</td>
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<td>10:00</td>
<td>Treasurer Report and Audit Committee Report&lt;br&gt;Vlad Voiculescu, Vice President &amp; Treasurer&lt;br&gt;Hannu Tavio-Audit Committee</td>
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<td>Voting of the Treasurer’s Report and Approval of the budget</td>
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<td>Transfer of ECPC seat from the Netherlands to Belgium&lt;br&gt;Francesco de Lorenzo, ECPC President</td>
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<td>Presentation of the conclusions and closing of the AGM by ECPC President</td>
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