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FORCE Fostering Oncology Research by Charities in Europe



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5 years Cancer Mission:
Stronger Through Connection

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FORCE Consortium

Fondation ARC (Leader)
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Fundacion Cientifica de la Asociación Espanola Contra el Cancer
Spain

Anticancer Fund
Belgium

Kom op tegen Kanker
Belgium

Dutch Cancer Society
The Netherlands

Barncancer Fonden
Sweden

Swedish Cancer Society
Sweden

The Saving Kids with Cancer Foundation
Poland

Latvian Children's Oncology Foundation
Latvia

Fondazione AIRC per la ricerca sul cancro
Italy

Breakthrough Cancer Research
Ireland

Irish Cancer Society
Ireland

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Greece

Hungarian League Against Cancer
Hungary



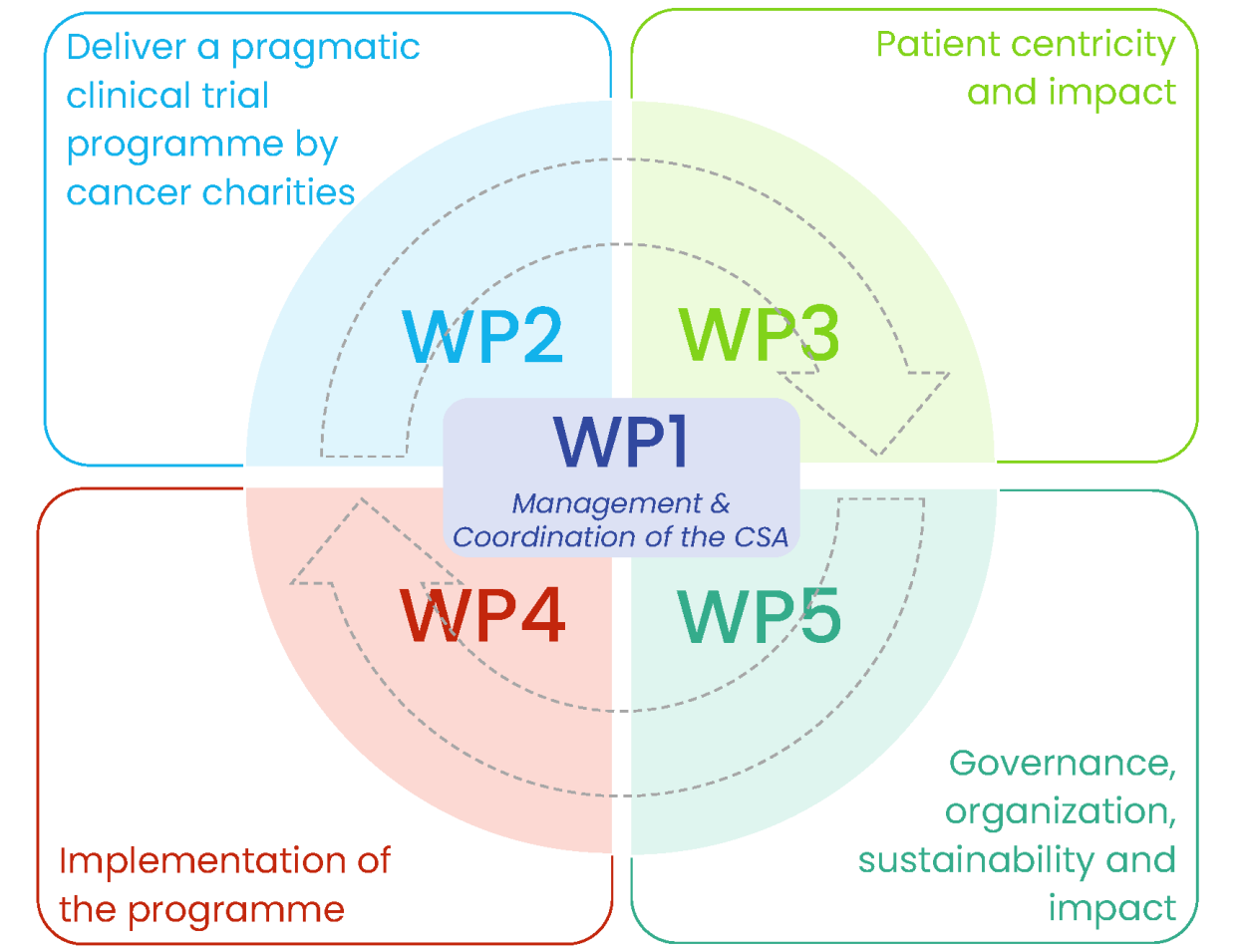
Objective of the FORCE initiative

Provide the Mission Board with an ambitious, yet feasible, programme by & for cancer charities, to optimize their contribution to the Cancer Mission and Eupope's Beating Cancer Plan:

1. Define and deliver a Pragmatic Clinical Trial Programme by cancer charities for rare and hard-to-treat cancers
2. Implement two transnational calls to test and improve our proposed programme
3. Deliver to the EC a blueprint on pragmatic oncology clinical trials by charities to facilitate decision-making and provide guidelines for the future work programme



FORCE Project workplan



Scope of the joint funding program



Patient-defined
unmet needs



Needs-based prioritization:
rare & hard-to-treat



Pragmatic approach

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Practice-changing



International relevance

FORCE 1st Joint call: at a glance

QUALITY OF LIFE–INTEGRATED APPROACHES

to improve treatment of rare and/or hard-to-treat cancers through pragmatic clinical trials

Improving treatment strategies

Optimising how existing treatments are used, combined, sequenced or tailored to improve outcomes for patients

Quality of life at the core

Systematically integrating quality of life into trial design and evaluation

Patient centredness

Ensuring patient needs, preferences and experiences, meaningfully inform the research approach

International decision-relevant evidence

Generating robust evidence that can inform clinical practice across countries and settings

From research for patients to research with patients

- More relevant, more feasible & more impactful



Lived experience *Better Research*

- Four levels of patient engagement:

Strategic guidance	General Advisory Board
Programme design	A dedicated Patient Panel
Review of the proposals	A Patient Advisory Committee
Trial involvement	Partners in specific pragmatic clinical trials across the full trial-lifecycle

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