



**PROJECT TITLE:** Implementation of cancer screening programmes

**ACRONYM:** EUCanScreen

**PROJECT SUMMARY:** The European Union's Beating Cancer Plan has introduced a new EU-Supported Cancer Screening Scheme to ensure high-performance cancer screening programs across all Member States. The EUCanScreen project aims to promote the sustainable implementation of high-quality screening programs for breast, cervical, and colorectal cancers, along with newly recommended screening programs for lung, prostate, and gastric cancers. The main goal of the project is to reduce the overall cancer burden and achieve equity in screening access throughout the EU.

EUCanScreen has several objectives:

1. Ensure full implementation of evidence-based, cost-effective, and quality-assured screening programs for breast, cervical, and colorectal cancers.
2. Prepare for the implementation of screening programs for lung, prostate, and gastric cancers.
3. Ensure proper program governance and sustainability and improve data collection and monitoring in screening programs.
4. Ensure equal access of eligible EU citizens to screening programs and reduce cancer inequalities.
5. Promote capacity building in cancer screening and foster collaboration with other EU-funded programs.

Consisting of 11 interconnected work packages (WP), the project is a collaboration between 29 countries, including 25 EU member states, Ukraine, Moldova, Norway, and Iceland. The University of Latvia coordinates the project and involves 28 competent authorities (including the Cyprus Ministry of Health), 61 affiliated partners (including the University of Cyprus), and 7 associated partners. The duration of the project is 48 months, with a total budget of 38.7 million.

The UCY team is led by Dr Anneza Yiallourou, including Dr Georgios Nikolopoulos and Dr Theodora Fteropoulli. UCY is leading Task 7.1 and co-leading Task 7.2 of WP7. Task 7.1 aims to identify the level of implementation of quality assurance (QA) management systems in EU cancer screening programmes and provide guidance for implementing PROMS as a quality indicator, while Task 7.2 aims to establish and standardise key definitions for measurement and reporting of interval cancer rates.

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