

EU Cancer Mission Conference

Understanding Cancer in the Digital Age: **Data, Innovation and Equity.**

27 April 2026, Cyprus

→ VENUE

Hotel Hilton Nicosia, Achaion 1, Egkomi 2413

→ FORMAT

Hybrid event with simultaneous
interpretation EN<>EL

→ MODERATOR

Dr. Eleni L. Tolma,
EU Cancer Mission Board Member

08:30 → 09:00

REGISTRATION AND WELCOME COFFEE

09:00 → 09:40

OPENING CEREMONY

- **Stella Kyriakides**, former European Commissioner for Health and Food Safety
- **Joanna Drake**, Deputy Director-General, Directorate-General for Research and Innovation, European Commission
- **Alexandros Agrotis**, Cypriot cyclist and cancer survivor
- **Loucas Fourlas**, Member of the European Parliament

09:40 → 09:50

THE EU CANCER MISSION APPROACH

- **Angelo Solimini**, Policy Officer, EU Cancer Mission secretariat, European Commission

09:50 → 10:50

PANEL 1: UNCAN.EU Network And The European Health Data Space

- **Tomislav Sokol**, Member of the Committee on Public Health, Member of the European Parliament
- **Prof. Kadi-Liis Veiman**, University of Tartu, Estonia **UNCAN-Connect** project
- **Prof. Gerrit Meijer**, Chief Scientific Officer Health-RI, The Netherlands. **CANDLE** project
- **Dr. Constantinos Pattichis**, President of the National eHealth Authority (NeHA) of Cyprus

10:50 → 11:20

COFFEE BREAK

11:20 → 11:40

RAPID FIRE PRESENTATIONS 1

- Dr. Olivia Tort, Institute for Research in Biomedicine, Barcelona, Spain, CGI clinics project
- Dr. Lifang Liu, National Cancer Data Node, Health-RI, The Netherlands
- Dr. Solene Trévidic, National Cancer Institute, France, EUnetCCC joint action

11:40 → 12:40

PANEL 2: AI and Digital Innovation in Cancer Understanding

- Prof. Jens K. Habermann, Director-General, BBMRI-ERIC
- Prof. Luis Martí-Bonmatí, Quiron Salud Hospital, Valencia, EUCAIM Scientific Coordinator, Spain
- Dr. Arsela Prelaj, Istituto Tumori di Milano, Italy
- Dr. Eugenio Gaeta, Universidad Politécnica de Madrid, Spain

12:40 → 14:00

LUNCH

14:00 → 15:00

PANEL 3: The European Cancer Patient Digital Centre

- Prof. Dr. Roland Eils, Director, Center of Digital Health, Berlin Institute of Health at Charité, Germany
- Panos Ergatoudes, Bank of Cyprus Oncology Centre, Cyprus
- Norbert Couespel, European Cancer Organisation, Belgium
- Marios Charalambides, Patient's Ombudsman, Cyprus Federation of Patients' Associations, Cyprus

15:00 → 15:20

RAPID FIRE PRESENTATIONS 2

- Dr Vivian Viallon, International Agency for Research on Cancer (IARC), France. DISCERN project
- Harald Wagener, Group leader Cloud & IT, Berlin Institute of Health, Germany. EU-CiP project
- Dr. Alexander Kel, CEO & CSO geneXplain, Germany. HIT-GLIO project

15:20 → 15:50

COFFEE BREAK

15:50 → 16:50

PANEL 4: Building Cancer Research Capacity – Cyprus and the ECHoS Network

- **Anabela Isidro**, Science Manager at AICIB Portugal, ECHoS project
- **Matti Aapro**, President of the European Cancer Organisation
- **Ian Gauci Borda**, National Contact Point for Health, Research Infrastructures and Widening, Malta National Cancer Mission Hub
- **Dr. Evthvoulos Kyriakou**, Assist. Professor at the Dept. of Electrical, Computer Engineering, Cyprus University of Technology. Member of the eCAN+ Joint Action.

16:50 → 17:00

CLOSING REMARKS

- **Gianpaolo Suriano**, Policy Officer, EU Cancer Mission secretariat, European Commission

17:00 → 18:30

NETWORKING RECEPTION