



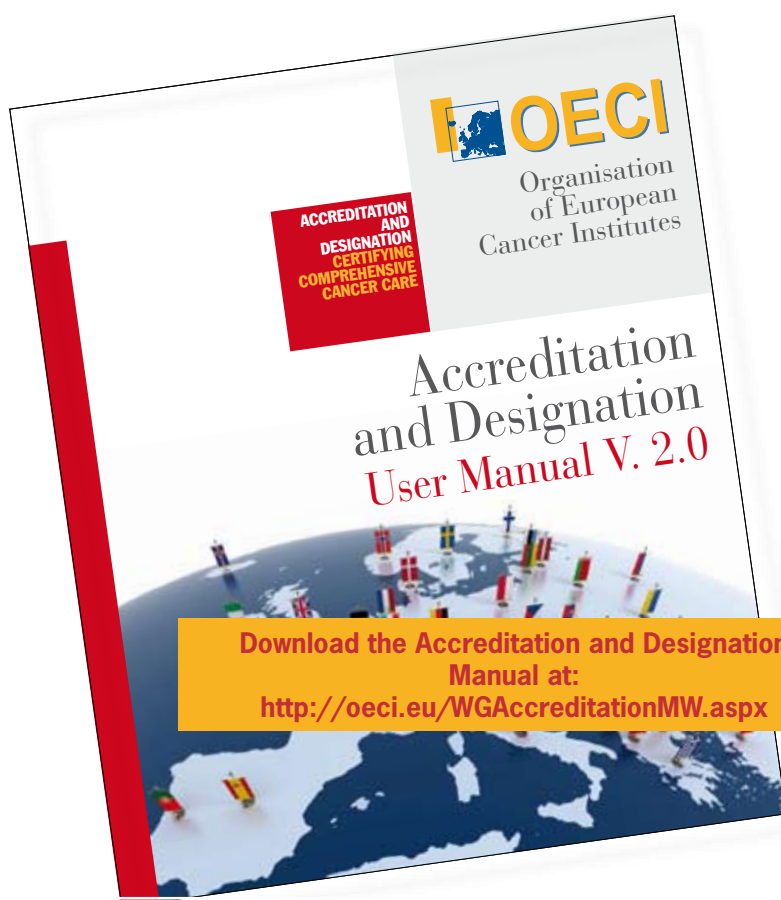
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## Accreditation and Designation Newsletter

Accreditation is a process in which an independent organisation evaluates a health care provider and certifies that the provider meets validated quality standards. An accrediting organisation's survey includes an evaluation of the provider's clinical organisation structure, as well as other aspects of the provider's operations such as administration, personnel and information management.



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# Revision of the OECl Accreditation and Designation Standards

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The OECl launched the Accreditation Programme in 2008 in order to provide cancer patients within Europe an equal access to high quality of cancer care and helping European cancer institutes to implement a quality system for oncology care using the OECl standards and peer review system. After a first round of accreditation in the first years of the programme, it was planned to update the complete set of OECl comprehensive quality standards.

The expertise gained thanks to the Accreditation & Designation (A&D) of the centres which entered the process, and the feed-back coming from the auditors, have given inputs to the standards and make suggestions of needed changes.

This was used to reformulate, delete and add standards (April – May 2013). The first draft has been published online in order to invite the cancer community to provide comments, suggestions, inputs and was also presented for comments to a selected group of well experienced auditors, resulting in a second draft (May – June 2013). This second draft contained specific remarks on certain standards that have been presented to experts in oncology and to the Members of the European Cancer Organisation “ECCO” (August – September 2013). The comments were used to reformulate a new draft with discussion topics during the OECl General Assembly, June 2014. The draft was finalized with input of members of centres (with specific expertise, e.g. radiotherapy, pathology), auditors, the European Cancer Patients Coalition (ECPC), and several OECl Working Groups, e.g. palliative care (September 2014). The final version of the revised standards has been discussed by the OECl Board (March 2015).

The OECl A&D Working Group devoted many efforts in the evaluation and revision of the quality standards for comprehensive and multidisciplinary cancer care in European cancer centres.

From 2008 to 2015, thirty-three centres participated and/or concluded the A&D Programme. Fourteen of them are certified as a Comprehensive Cancer Centre “CCC”, ten as Clinical Cancer Centre “CICC” and 9 are still in the accreditation and designation process.

## The first edition set of quality and quantity requirements

The first edition comprised of 263 sub-standards in the field of general standards, strategic plan, and general management; screening, primary prevention, and health education; care; research, innovation and development; teaching and continuous education; information and involvement of patients.

Due to the revision of these standards, a second (2.0) version set of the OECl Accreditation and Designation revised standards has been published at: <http://oecl.selfassessment.nu/cms/node/53>.

The main differences are the additional standards on palliative care, patient centeredness, outcome data and survivorship care and the reformulation of existing standards. Together with the new questionnaires the team also revised the document system, for example, the templates of letters, agenda's and presentations. The requested documents are gathered in a questionnaire in order to improve the overview.

## Designation criteria

Based on the data of the participated centres, the designation criteria will be revised. We expect that we can use the new preliminary designation criteria in 2016.

## New timelines

The feedback of the certified centres was used to change the timelines and procedure after the peer review visit. Since the autumn period in 2014 the new timelines are introduced and when there is no delay, the audit team can provide a final report within 12-14 weeks after the peer review visit. Within this new procedure, centres receive in their draft report the defined strengths and opportunities. And therefore, the centre starts to write their improvement plan based on the draft report.

## Group of auditors, training course and fees

Every visit we try to find the best composition of the audit team. This means a balanced composition of background, nationalities and experience.

In an ideal situation the team consists of:

- A chair who is a director of a cancer institute,
- Auditors with different positions/ functions in different fields of oncology, like: medical oncology, care, research, pathology, quality assurance,
- At least one auditor who understands the language of the country where the cancer institute is situated but who is not a resident of that country,
- A mix of experienced and less experienced auditors. Every team has at least two experienced auditors.
- Every team consists of at least one physician and preferably one nurse.
- If the visit takes place in an institute that is preliminary designated as a CCC, the chair of the audit team is employed in a CCC.

The composition of the audit team needs a balance of different backgrounds and people from different countries. A training course will be organised in the first part of 2016. Interested colleagues, especially those working as a nurse, director or physician involved in the treatment/research in oncology and/ or working in Spain, France, Germany, UK, and Northern or Eastern part of Europe are invited to send their interest (motivation and CV) to the A&D Manager [f.boomsma@iknl.nl](mailto:f.boomsma@iknl.nl)

Up until now, during the initiation phase of the A&D program, the availability of free collaboration from the auditors allowed us to meet the needs without burdening the OECl with additional costs, excluding travel and subsistence, entirely covered by the OECl. We realize however that, although site visits are interesting opportunities to discover other cancer centres, they also represent a lot of work for the auditors. The Board recently decided to offer a formal recognition of the work performed by the auditors. This symbolic recognition will consist of a 500 Euro donation per auditor for each site visit carried out. For the Chair of the audit team, an amount of 1,000 Euros will be given. To ensure transparency, these amounts will be transferred to the Institutes that have guaranteed the availability of auditors. The audit team should provide a final report within 12-14 weeks after the peer review visit. Within this procedure, centres receive in their draft report the defined strengths and opportunities, and therefore, the centre starts to write its improvement plan based on the draft report.

Centres participating with auditors to the A&D site visits	Country
Institut Jules Bordet, Brussels	Belgium
Gustave Roussy, Villejuif	France
University Hospital Carl Gustav Carus, Dresden	Germany
Országos Onkológiai Intézet , Budapest	Hungary
IRCCS Azienda Ospedaliera Universitaria San Martino - IST- Istituto Nazionale per la Ricerca sul Cancro, Genoa	Italy
Azienda Ospedaliera Arcispedale S. Maria Nuova IRCCS Istituto in Tecnologie Avanzate e Modelli assistenziali in Oncologia, Reggio Emilia	Italy
Centro di Riferimento Oncologico - Istituto Nazionale Tumori, Aviano	Italy
Istituto Europeo di Oncologia - IEO, Milano	Italy
Istituto Nazionale Tumori - IRCCS “Fondazione G.Pascale” (INT-Pascale), Napoli	Italy
Istituto Nazionale Tumori Regina Elena, Roma	Italy
Istituto Scientifico Romagnolo per la Cura dei Tumori [IRST]-IRCCS, Meldola	Italy
National Cancer Institute, Vilnius	Lithuania
Oslo Universitetssykehus (OUS)	Norway
Cancer Diagnosis and Treatment Center (Katowice) and Medical University	Poland
Instituto Português de Oncologia de Coimbra Francisco Gentil E.P.E. (IPO Coimbra)	Portugal
Instituto Português de Oncologia do Porto Francisco Gentil E.P.E. (IPO Porto)	Portugal
Karolinska Institute and University Hospital, Stockholm	Sweden
Erasmus MC Cancer Institute, Rotterdam	The Netherlands
Netherlands Cancer Institute, Amsterdam	The Netherlands
Cambridge Cancer Centre	UK
The Christie NHS Foundation Trust, Manchester	UK

## Certified centres – Update October 2015

Below an overview of the centres in the programme, already certified or in the re-accreditation process.

City, Country	Name of the centre	Designation type or position in the programme and starting certification date
Brussels, Belgium	Institut Jules Bordet	 (13 December 2012)
Vilnius, Lithuania	National Cancer Institute	 (14 March 2013)
Villejuif, France	Gustave Roussy	 (25 April 2013)
Cambridge, UK	Cambridge Cancer Centre	 (25 April 2013)
Helsinki, Finland	HYKS Syöpäkeskus Helsinki University	 (28 April 2014)
Milano, Italy	Istituto Europeo di Oncologia - IEO	 (4 June 2014)
Aviano, Italy	Centro di Riferimento Oncologico Istituto Nazionale Tumori	 (27 October 2014)
Reggio Emilia, Italy	Azienda Ospedaliera Arcispedale S. Maria Nuova IRCCS Istituto in Tecnologie Avanzate e Modelli assistenziali in Oncologia	 (8 December 2014)
Tartu, Estonia	Sihtasutus Tartu Ülikooli Kliinikum	 (12 February 2015)
Milano, Italy	Fondazione IRCCS Istituto Nazionale dei Tumori di Milano	 (12 February 2015)
Bari, Italy	Istituto Tumori Giovanni Paolo II, Istituto di Ricovero e Cura a Carattere Scientifico	 (12 February 2015)
Padova, Italy	Istituto Oncologico Veneto IRCCS-IOV	 (21 May 2015)
Genova, Italy	IRCCS Azienda Ospedaliera Universitaria San Martino - IST – Istituto Nazionale per la Ricerca sul Cancro	 (21 May 2015)
Napoli, Italy	Istituto Nazionale Tumori - IRCCS “Fondazione G.Pascale” (INT-Pascale)	 (11 June 2015)
Rionero in Vulture, Italy	IRCCS, Centro di Riferimento Oncologico della Basilicata (CROB)	 (11 June 2015)
Roma, Italy	Istituto Nazionale Tumori Regina Elena	 (10 September 2015)
Brussels, Belgium	Kankercentrum Brussel	 (16 October 2015)
London, UK	King's Health Partners Integrated Cancer Centre	 (16 October 2015)
Oslo, Norway	Oslo Universitetssykehus (OUS)	self assessment period
Kortrijk, Belgium	AZ Groeninge	self assessment period
Vejle, Denmark	Vejle Cancer Hospital	self assessment period

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City, Country	Name of the centre	Designation type or position in the programme and starting certification date
Cluj, Romania	The “Prof. Dr. Ion Chiricuta” Institute of Oncology (IOCN)	self assessment period
Anadolu, Turkey	Anadolu Medical Center Hospital	self assessment period
Manchester, UK	The Christie NHS Foundation Trust	 in the re-accreditation process
Porto, Portugal	Instituto Português de Oncologia do Porto Francisco Gentil E.P.E. (IPO-Porto)	 in the re-accreditation process
Lisboa, Portugal	Instituto Português de Oncologia de Lisboa Francisco Gentil, E.P.E. (IPO-Lisboa)	 in the re-accreditation process
Coimbra, Portugal	Instituto Português de Oncologia de Coimbra Francisco Gentil, E.P.E. (IPO-Coimbra)	 in the re-accreditation process
Amsterdam, The Netherlands	Netherlands Cancer Institute	 in the re-accreditation process
Valencia, Spain	Fundación Instituto Valenciano de Oncología IVO Foundation	 in the re-accreditation process
Budapest, Hungary	Országos Onkológiai Intézet	 in the re-accreditation process

### Latest Applications

City, Country	Name of the centre
Brno, Czech Republic	Institut biostatistiky a analýz Lékařské a Přírodovědecké fakulty Masarykovy university
Lyon, France	Centre Léon Bérard
Milano, Italy	Humanitas Cancer Centre





# Cancer Centres Certified at the 2015 General Assembly – Porto June 24<sup>th</sup>

During the 2015 General Assembly, 9 Cancer Centres have been certified and the Delegates of eight of them received the certificate on plate from the OECI President and the OECI A&D Chairperson.



Certificate delivery to Tartu University Hospital Estonia



Certificate delivery to Fondazione IRCCS Istituto Nazionale dei Tumori Milano - Italia



Certificate delivery to Istituto Tumori Giovanni Paolo II, IRCCS Bari - Italia



Certificate delivery to Centro di Riferimento Oncologico Aviano - Italia



Certificate delivery to Azienda Ospedaliera – Arcispedale Santa Maria Nuova IRCCS Reggio Emilia - Italia



Certificate delivery to IRCCS Azienda Ospedaliera Universitaria San Martino – IST – Istituto Nazionale per la Ricerca sul Cancro - Italia



Certificate delivery to IRCCS Centro di Riferimento Oncologico della Basilicata (CROB) - Italia



Certificate delivery to Istituto Oncologico Veneto IRCCS - IOV - Italia



## Final Meeting of the Italian Participation to the OEI A&D Programme



“Tailored Accreditation Model for Comprehensive Cancer Centres: validation through the applicability of the OEI based model to the Network of Cancer Centres of Alleanza Contro il Cancro”

Thanks to the financial support of a tailored project supported by the Direction General Research of the Italian Ministry of Health, all the Cancer Centres included in the Network “Alleanza Contro il Cancro” entered the OEI A&D Programme. Two other cancer centres, not in the network yet, applied on a voluntary basis. The scientific coordination of the project has been assigned to Dr. Angelo Paradiso of the Istituto Tumori, Giovanni Paolo II, IRCCS, Bari, and to Dr. Filippo Belardelli, Director of the Dpt. of Haematology and Medical Oncology of the National Institute of Health.

At the presence of the Italian Minister for Health and the Director General for Research, the final results of the Italian participation to the initiative have been presented at the Headquarter of the National Institute of Health, in Rome, last November 17th. The OEI was represented by Prof. Simon Oberst, Member of the A&D Board and Mrs. Femke Boomsma, A&D Coordinator/Project Leader.

The OEI congratulates for the excellent results obtained by all the centres and the high quality of research, care and internal organisation of the Italian Cancer network.

## The OEI Accreditation and Designation Group

### The Accreditation and Designation Board since October 2014:

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