

EXPERTS' CONSENSUS MEETING

12-13 FEBRUARY 2025



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12 FEBRUARY

08:30

WELCOME OF THE OECI PRESIDENT

Giovanni Apolone

08:45

INTRODUCTION TO THE A&D PROGRAMME AND REVISION

Jean-Benoit Burion

09:05

DO ADVANCES IN SYSTEMIC THERAPIES REQUIRE PARTICULAR STANDARDS?

09:35

DO ADVANCES IN RADIOTHERAPY REQUIRE PARTICULAR STANDARDS?

09:50

DO ADVANCES IN SURGICAL ONCOLOGY REQUIRE PARTICULAR STANDARDS?

10:05

DISCUSSION ON THE ISSUES RAISED

10:20

COFFEE

10:40

OVERVIEW OF THE PROPOSED REVISED STANDARDS

Simon Oberst

For each chapter, an intro followed by comments* and questions

*What is missing?

*What is unnecessary?

- Governance
- Quality Systems
- Patient Empowerment
- Multidisciplinarity
- Education and Training
- Treatment (parts of)

12:40

LUNCH

13:30

1ST BREAKOUT SESSIONS TO EXAMINE CERTAIN TOPICS IN DEPTH

5 groups (about 12-15 people per group with specific questions and protocols for each group):

1. Prevention and Early Detection
2. Molecular diagnostics and Molecular Tumour Boards
3. Patient Empowerment
4. Nursing, Supportive and Palliative care
5. AI and Big Data

15:00

COFFEE

15:20

FEEDBACK BY THE 5 GROUPS (10 MINUTES EACH)



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16:20

A VIEW ON STANDARDS AND ACCREDITATION FROM THE U.S.

Speakers from NCI and NCCN

16:50

SUMMING UP FOR THE DAY

Simon Oberst

17:15

END OF THE SESSION

18:00

COCKTAIL DINNER

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08:45

FEEDBACK FROM THE OECI MEMBER SCIENTIFIC DIRECTORS' GROUP

Mef Nilbert

09:15

PLENARY DISCUSSION

- Evaluating translational research
- Evaluating clinical research
- Designation criteria of Comprehensive cancer centres

10:00

SUMMARY DATA FROM OECI CENTRES ON SCIENTIFIC INPUTS AND OUTPUTS

10:15

BREAKOUT SESSION

3 groups: about 20 people per group (specific questions will be posed on Standards):

- Governance, strategy and integration of research and care
- Standards on basic and translational research
- Standards on clinical research

11:30

COFFEE

11:50

FEEDBACK FROM THE 3 GROUPS (10 MINUTES EACH)

12:15

SUMMING UP ON CANCER RESEARCH

Mef Nilbert

12:30

GENERAL Q&A

Chair: Simon Oberst

12:50

CONCLUSIONS BY OECI PRESIDENT

Giovanni Apolone

13:00

LUNCH AND DEPARTURE





OUR MISSION

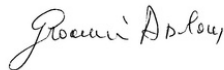
The [OECI Accreditation and Designation Programme](#), established in 2008, is the first and only cancer-specific accreditation programme in Europe to be endorsed by the ISQua's International Accreditation Programme. [Our network](#) comprises 84 of Europe's major cancer centres and networks with a proven track record of enhancing patient care, supporting research and innovation, and setting a high bar for cancer education.

The Expert Consensus Meeting will focus on reviewing and improving our standards and processes. This is part of our ongoing commitment to ensure that our Programme remains the gold standard for cancer centre accreditation across Europe.

This pivotal gathering will focus on shaping the future of our Accreditation and Designation Programme, and will refine and elevate the next generation of standards that guide our work.

The conference will help to ensure that our standards continue to support the highest quality of patient care and drive innovation in cancer research and clinical practice.

Giovanni Apolone
OECI President



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