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EUROPE



Thematic Network on Colorectal Cancer Screening

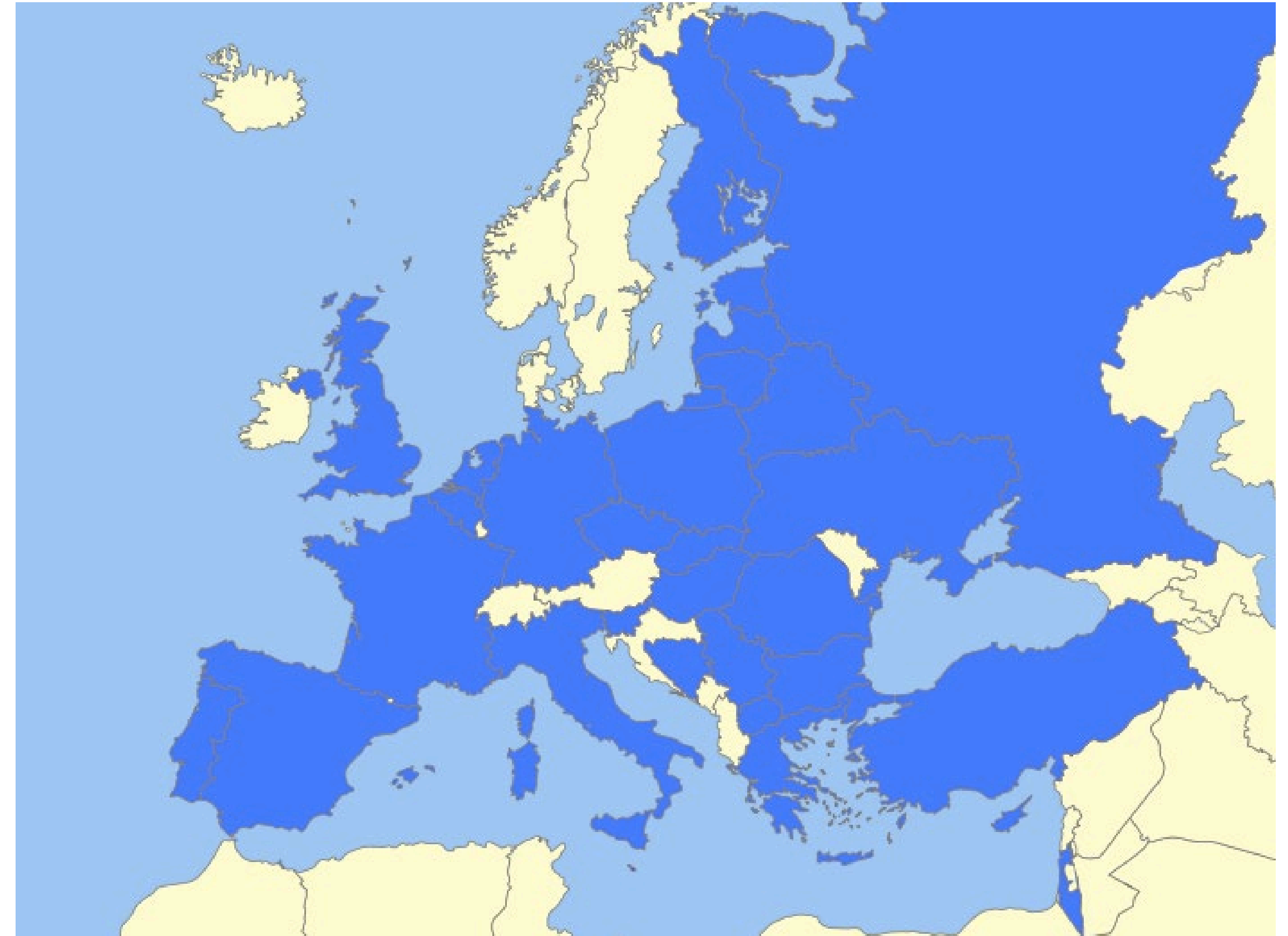
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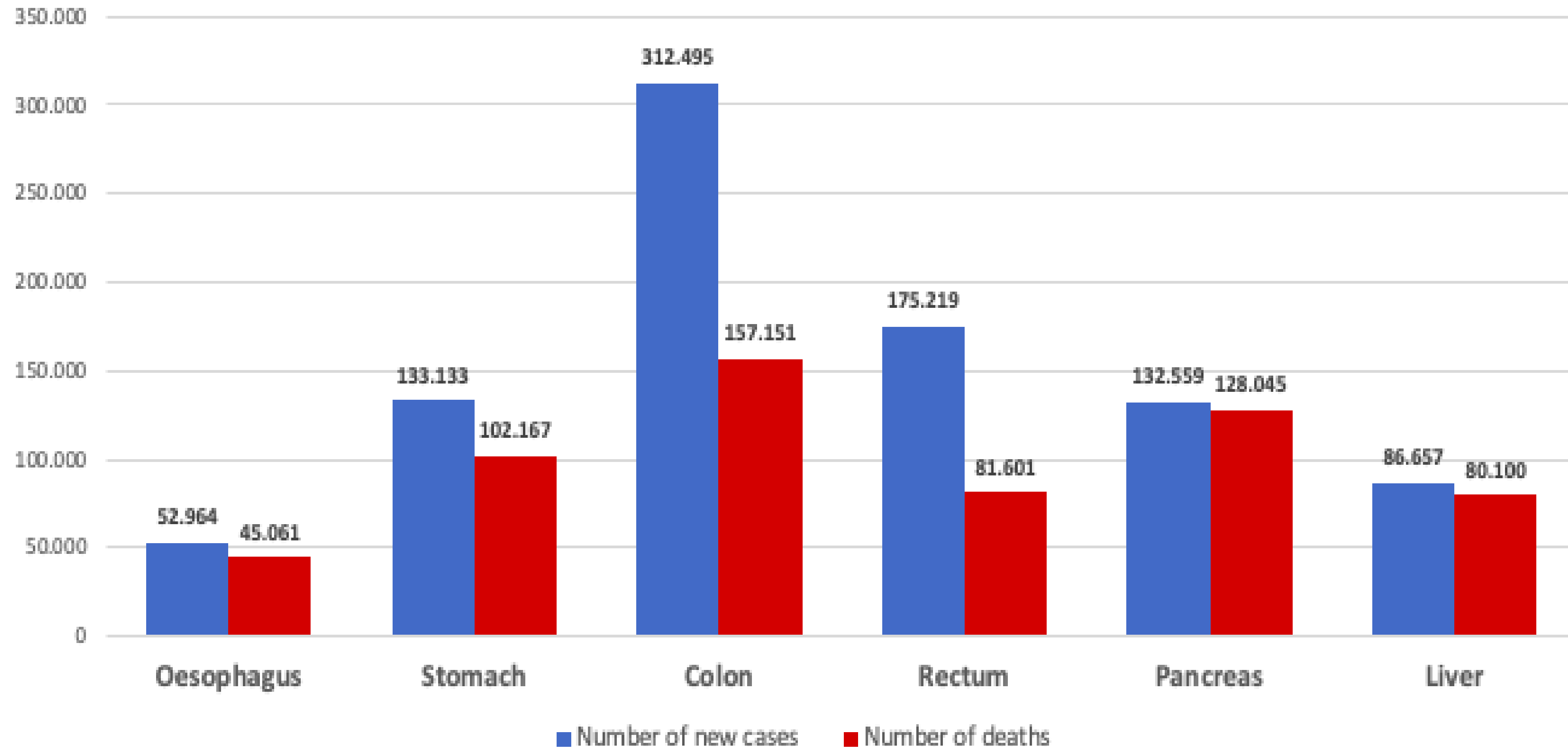
DiCE: Who Are We?

- 32 Associations in Europe
- At European level Digestive Cancers Europe (DiCE) represents the digestive cancer patient community diagnosed with cancer of the oesophagus, stomach, pancreas, colon, rectum, liver and other more rare digestive cancers
- We represent the 900,000 people who get a diagnosis of digestive cancer every year in Europe, as well as the 1.5 million digestive cancer survivors.
- We represent the families of the 600,000 patients who die every year from digestive cancers.

<https://www.digestivecancers.eu/>



Digestive Cancers in Europe

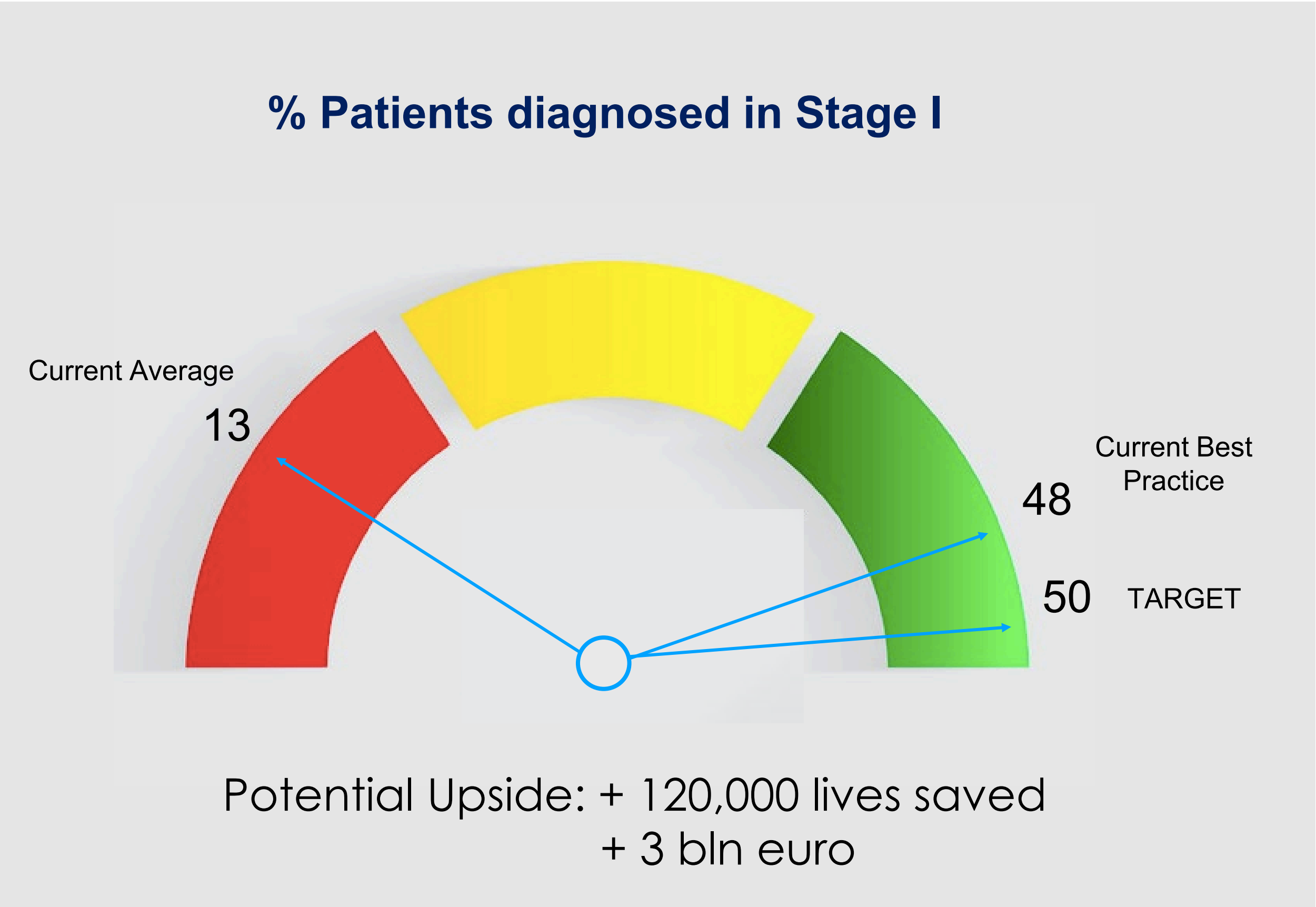


Source: European Cancer Information Service (ECIS), 2018

Colorectal Cancer Dashboard

What if we all applied the best practice?

	Stage I	Stage IV
Survival chance	90%	8%
Treatment cost	4,000€	40,000€



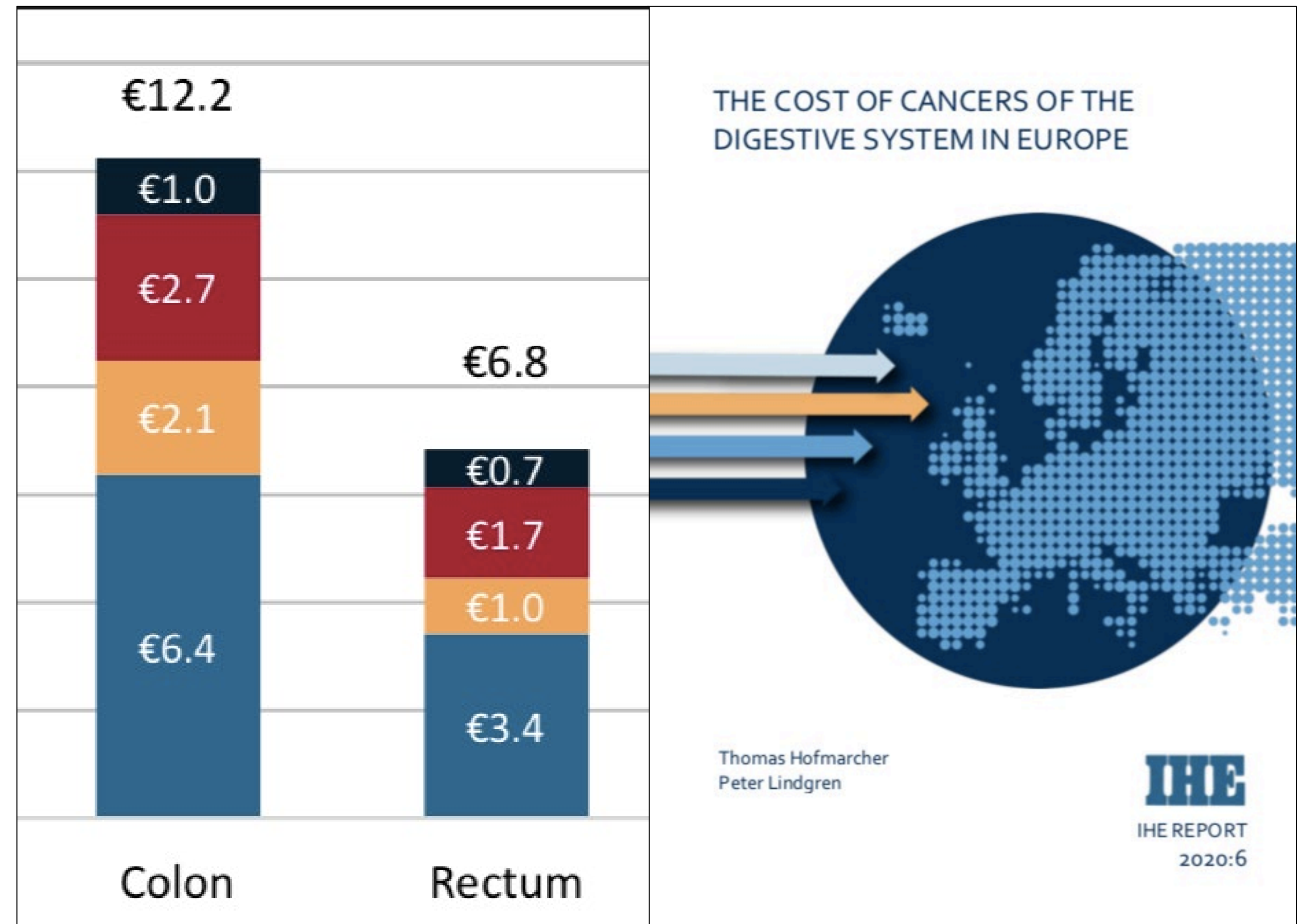
Saving Lives & Saving Money

Health Economic Analysis 2020

- Treatment : 9.8 billion €
- Informal care: 3.1 billion €
- Premature mortality: 4.4 billion €
- Work productivity: 1.7 billion €

TOTAL: 19 billion €

How much do we spend in prevention and screening?
How much should we spend in prevention and screening?

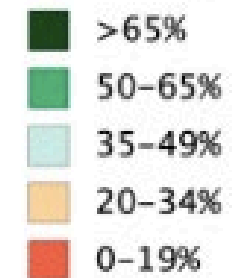


Best Practices in CRC Screening

Based on the criteria of screening all citizens 50-74 years old with more than 65% participation, only Slovenia achieves the target

Many countries have no data

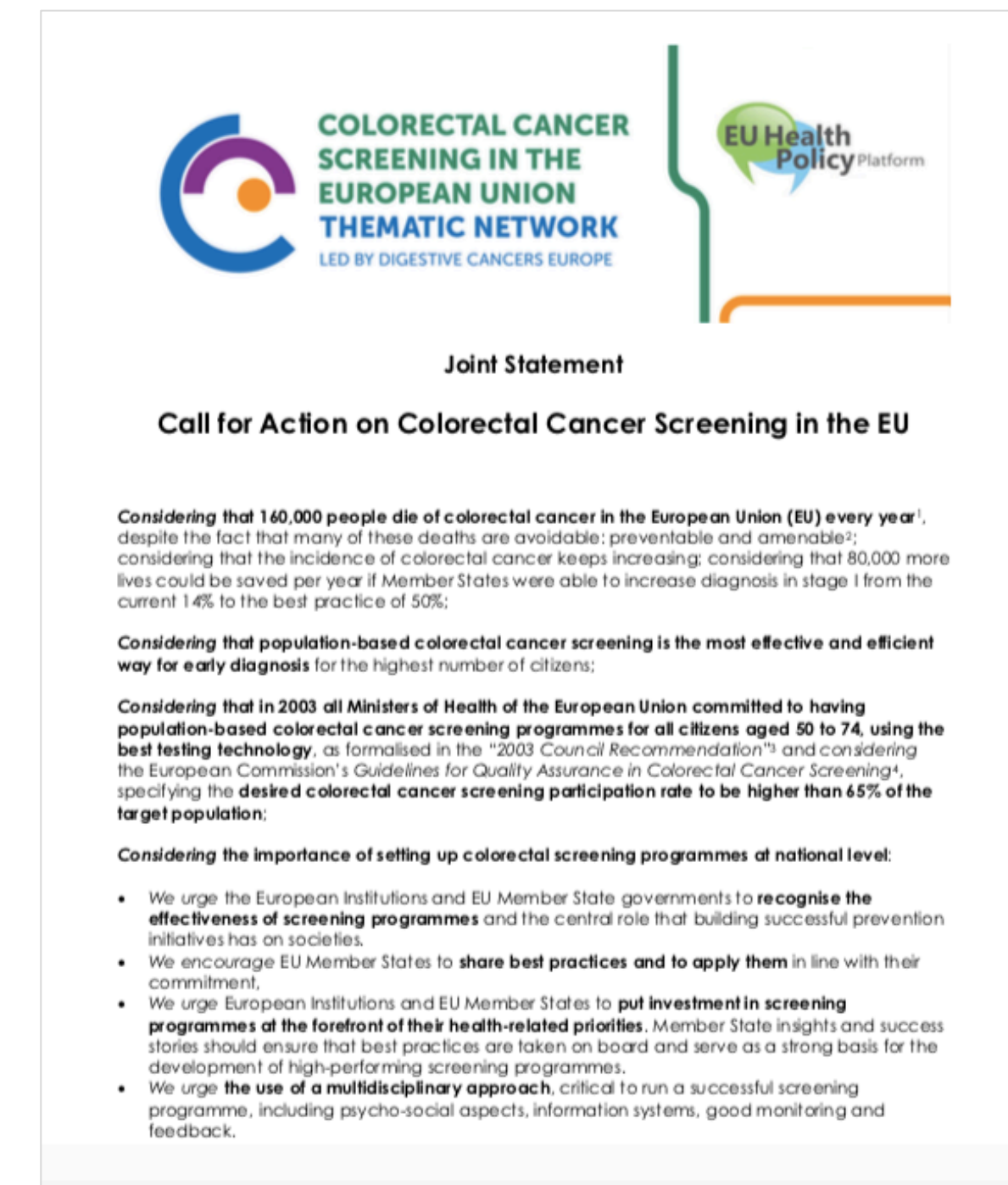
Active Participation Rate of Target Population 50-74 years old in Colorectal Cancer Screening Programmes



Thematic Network in 2020

An initiative of the European Commission

- 85 Network members
- Two webinars
- Newsletter updates on specific topics
- Library organised with publications and PPTs from webinars
- CRC Screening Summit in November
 - 295 registered
 - 23 speakers from 19 Member States
 - Marking the start of an annual initiative
 - Supporting the Beating Cancer Plan and the Mission on cancer activities
- The Joint Statement



The Objectives of the Joint Statement

Considering the importance of setting up colorectal cancer screening programmes at national level:

- We urge the European Institutions and EU Member State governments to **recognise the effectiveness of screening programmes** and the central role that building successful prevention initiatives has on societies.
- We encourage EU Member States to **share best practices and to apply them** in line with their commitment,
- We urge European Institutions and EU Member States to **put investment in screening programmes at the forefront of their health-related priorities**. Member State insights and success stories should ensure that best practices are taken on board and serve as a strong basis for the development of high-performing screening programmes.
- We urge **the use of a multidisciplinary approach**, critical to run a successful screening programme, including psycho-social aspects, information systems, good monitoring and feedback.

The Joint Statement

Member State Recommendations:

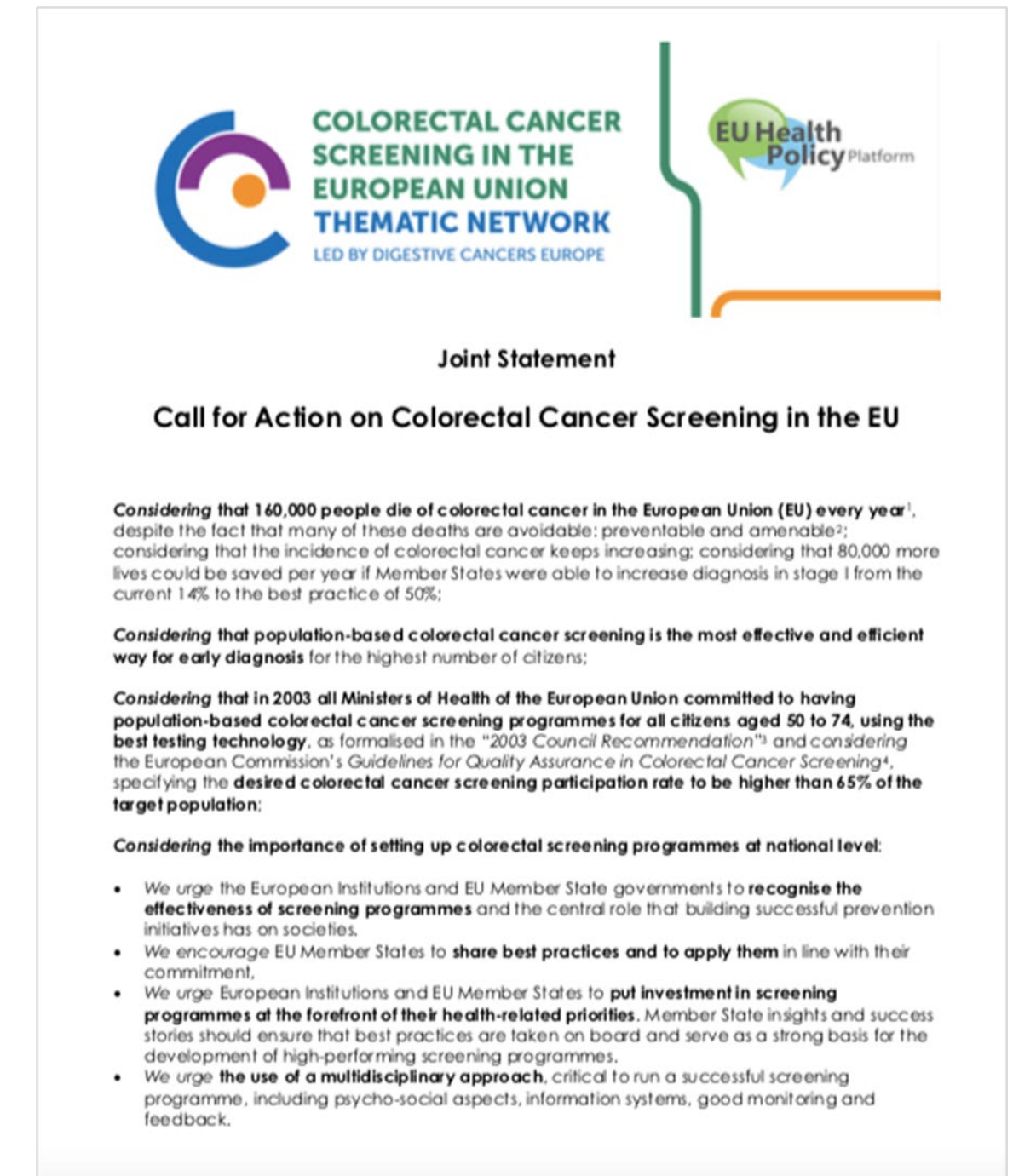
- The development of national implementation plans to achieve the committed goals of 65% participation rate among citizens between 50 and 74 years old as a multidisciplinary and multi-stakeholder effort
- Invest in annual inputs and outcomes metrics
- Invest in technologies and human resources
- Ensure that total health economic value is measured
- Ensure coherence and consistency of the political vision and health policy approaches at local and national level

European Institutions Recommendations

- Ensure that all EU Member States apply the best practices in Colorectal Cancer screening
- Ensure that all EU Colorectal Cancer Screening Agencies join a common platform to exchange best practices

Other stakeholders

- To commit and participate to provide support, insights and expertise based on every stakeholder's competences and possibilities



Supporters



The Joint Statement is supported by 45 organisations:

- 33 Countries
- 1 Global
- 7 EU based organisation

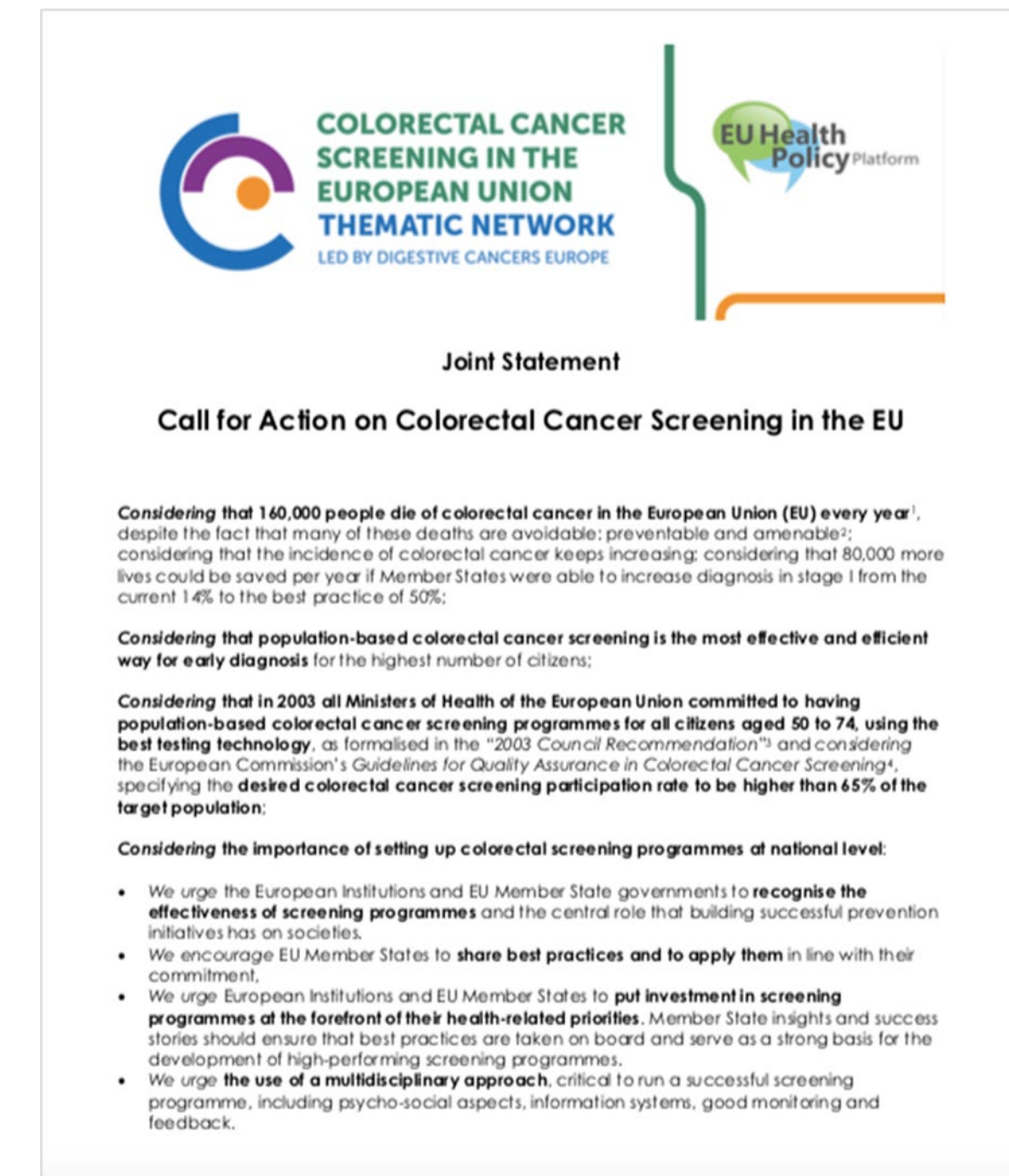
Name of the organisation	Nature of the organisation	Country
The Center for Support of Oncological Patients "In the Name of Life"	Patient Organisation	Belarus
FAPA	Patient Organisation	Belgium
UORDC	Patient Organisation	Bosnia and Herzegovina
The Cyprus Association of Cancer Patients and Friends (PASYKAF)	Patient Organisation	Cyprus
Onkomajak	Patient Organisation	Czech Republic
Colores	Patient Organisation	Finland
Mon réseau cancer colorectal	Patient Organisation	France
Fondation A.R.C.A.D -Aide et Recherche en Cancérologie Digestive	Foundation	France
AgaliaZO	Patient Organisation	Greece
Recovering Together Association	Patient Organisation	Hungary
EuropaColon Italia Onlus	Patient Organisation	Italy
Vivere senza Stomaco si può	Patient Organisation	Italy
ARESS (The Regional Agency for Social and health Development)	Regional Agency	Italy
Ed Goodall, Northern Ireland Cancer Research Consumer Forum (NICRCF)	Health Forum	Northern Ireland
Lithuanian Cancer Patient Coalition (POLA)	Patient Organisation	Lithuania
Borka Macedonia	Patient Organisation	Macedonia
Malta Colorectal Cancer Awareness Group – MCRGAG	Patient Organisation	Malta
Wetgroep Darmkanker	Patient Organisation	Netherlands
Fundacja EuropaColon Polska / EuropaColon Poland	Patient Organisation	Poland
EuropaColon Portugal	Patient Organisation	Portugal
Community Health Association	Patient Organisation	Romania



Mircea Manuc	President of the Commission of Gastroenterology of the Ministry of Public Health, Romania	Romania
Russian Association of Oncology Patients "ZDRAVSTVUYI"	Patient Organisation	Russia
CRC Patient Association	Patient Organisation	Serbia
Nie Rakovine	Patient Organisation	Slovakia
EuropaColon Slovenia	Patient Organisation	Slovenia
EuropaColon Espana	Patient Organisation	Spain
Dance with Cancer	Patient Organisation	Turkey
Bowel Cancer UK	Patient Organisation	UK
Georgian Society of Clinical Oncology	State Professional Society	Georgia
Red Pants	Patient Organisation	Germany
K.E.F.I	Patient Organisation	Greece
Zav Menia	Patient Organisation	Israel
SAID NGO	Patient Organisation	Lebanon
National Health Screening Program Malta	Patient Organisation	Malta
EuropaColon Ukraine	Patient Organisation	Ukraine
National Oncology Institute		Slovakia
European Society of Digestive Oncology	International Coalition	EU
European Cancer Organisation	International Coalition	EU
United European Gastroenterologists	International Coalition	EU
European Cancer Patient Coalition	International Coalition	EU
EU-TOPIA	EU Screening Project	EU
The Synergist	NGO	EU
Vintura	Consultancy	EU
Global Colon Cancer Association	Global Association	USA

The Joint Statement: the way forward

- The Statement is shared on DiCE thematic Network in the HPP
- Organisations and individuals are welcome to lend their support
- DiCE will add the organisation name to the list
- In order to become a supporter please contact Giulia Barengghi at giulia@digestivecancers.eu
- The outcomes of the Statement will be discussed at DiCE 2021 CRC Screening Summit



What's Next?

- DiCE wishes to keep the momentum going by:
 - Transforming the network into a stakeholder network
 - Create a safe space for experts on screening and regional and national screening representatives to share best practices and ideas
 - Organise an annual summit on screening in partnership with the EC
 - Start an online platform to connect patients to policy makers





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Thank you!

DiCE website: <https://digestivecancers.eu/>

EU Health Policy Platform: <https://webgate.ec.europa.eu/hpf/networks>

The Joint Statement: <https://digestivecancers.eu/wp-content/uploads/2020/11/Joint-Statement-Final-16-December.pdf>