



HEALTHCARE IN CROSS-BORDER REGIONS

EUHPP THEMATIC NETWORK

Joint Statement – 1st Draft

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**THEMATIC NETWORK
"HEALTHCARE IN CROSS-BORDER REGIONS"**
First physical meeting
13th of March 2019, Landhaus St. Pölten
Room: Ostarrichsaal

12h30 Arrival of the delegates and Lunch
Chair **Hannes Schaffer**

14h15 **Welcome**
Dr. Martin Eichstinger, Minister of the provincial government of Lower Austria

14h25 **Introduction**
Nick Batey, EUREGHA's Chair

14h35 **Setting the Context**
Balazs Lengyel, Legal Officer, DG SANTE, European Commission
Valeria Cosacchi, Desk Officer for European Cross-Border Cooperation programmes, DG REGIO, European Commission

15h15 **Addressing the challenges of Healthcare in cross-border regions**
Kick-off the debate on:

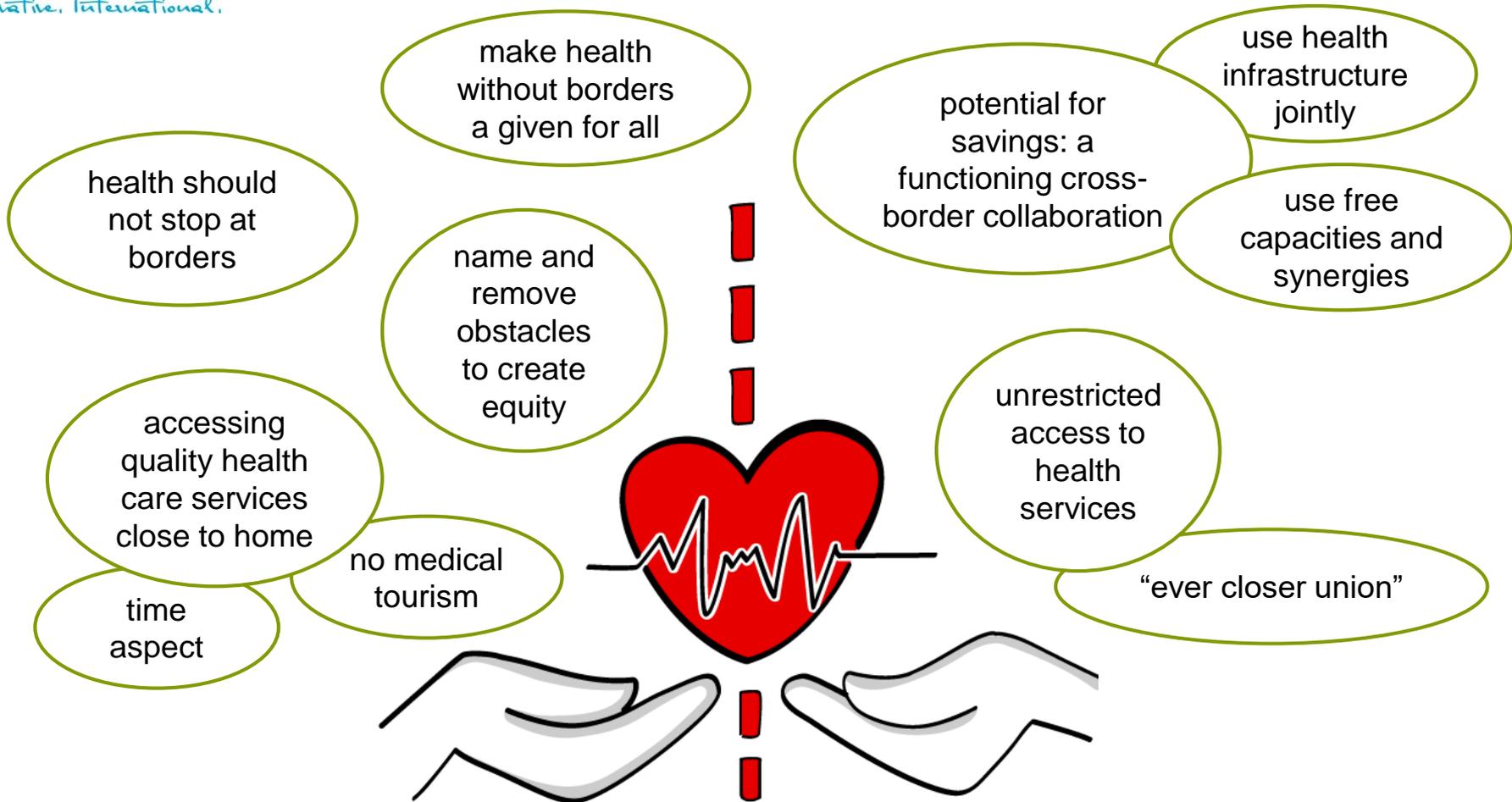
- EUHPP Thematic Network – Valentina Polyks, Operations Manager, EUREGHA
- Innovation in model of healthcare - Francesc Bonas, Director, Hospital La Cerdaña
- Governance of cross-border healthcare projects Julia Winkler, Healthcross Initiative
- Ehealth and data collection- Brigitte van der Zanden, Director, EU Prevent

16h00 **Interactive session**

17h00 **Conclusions**

[Watch the video of the event here.](#)

CBHC Vision



We call for...

1. Acknowledging diversity and bottom-up initiatives

- diversity of border regions
- importance of bottom-up initiatives and their funding options

2. Recognising professional qualifications and skills

- facilitation of recognition and administrative burden
- staff/student exchanges in healthcare sector

We call for...

3. Innovative financing and payment mechanisms

find, map and upscale already existing innovative solutions

(e.g.: salary differences, health insurance coverage/collaboration)

4. Coordination of health services and investments

mapping

common planning, commissioning and management

We call for...

5. Strengthening National Contact Points

broaden the tasks on all directives and regulations related to cross-border healthcare

strengthen awareness and build trust

6. Support ECBM

support implementation of ECBM in all MS

overcome problem of different legal frameworks

We call for...

7. Value-Based Healthcare (VBHC)

support shift towards VBHC

share best-practices among border regions

8. Data Management

data = basis

shows health trends,
necessity and savings of
cross-border collaboration

interoperability

Questions

Suggestions

Comments