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## EUROPEAN RESEARCH IMPROVING THE HEALTH OF EUROPEAN CITIZENS

One of the main objectives of the Health Theme under the 7<sup>th</sup> Framework Programme for Research aims at putting the citizen first where research on health care is concerned, contributing to building the necessary basis for informed policy decisions. This activity entitled: "*Optimising the delivery of health care to European citizens*" endeavours to bring the results of health research to the benefit of European citizens in particular through benchmarking, comparisons, and analysis of models, systems and data, from clinical outcomes to clinical and health care practice, through health system research, inequalities, disease prevention and health promotion research. Furthermore this activity is compatible with the principles of the new EU Health Strategy, "*Together for Health: A Strategic Approach for the EU 2008-2013*".

The 3<sup>rd</sup> activity "*Optimising the delivery of health care to European citizens*" is made up of three sub-areas, focusing on a) the translational of clinical research outcomes into clinical practice, b) health systems research and c) health promotion and diseases prevention. The FP7 Health Theme also foresees a mandate for research serving EC policy needs and international scientific cooperation, the latter set in the context of the Millennium Development Goals. This area of international public health and health systems includes: health policy research, health systems and healthcare service research, maternal and child health, reproductive health, control and surveillance of neglected communicable diseases.

To-date there are 81 projects supported under the 3<sup>rd</sup> activity, EC policy needs and international scientific cooperation mandates, representing some 200 million € in EC financial support, the majority of which are just beginning or under negotiation following the outcome of calls for research proposals in 2007, 2008 and 2009. An overview of these projects is given below and details of all projects can be consulted on CORDIS once grant agreements have been completed ([http://cordis.europa.eu/fp7/health/home\\_en.html](http://cordis.europa.eu/fp7/health/home_en.html)).

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# OPTIMISING THE DELIVERY OF HEALTHCARE TO EUROPEAN CITIZENS

| ACRONYM     | TITLE   |
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| AAA-PREVENT | <b>Effective Environmental Strategies for the Prevention of Alcohol Abuse among Adolescents in Europe</b><br>EC Contribution: approx. 1.6 million €<br>Duration: 3 years (under negotiation)                                      |
| ABC         | <b>Ascertaining Barriers for Compliance: policies for safe, effective and cost-effective use of medicines in Europe</b><br>EC Contribution: 2 235 023 €<br>Duration: 3 years starting on 1/01/2009                                |
| AMPHORA     | <b>Alcohol Measures for Public Health Research Alliance</b><br>EC Contribution: 2 996 687 €<br>Duration: 4 years starting on 1/01/2009  |
| ANCIEN      | <b>Assessing Needs of Care In European Nations</b><br>EC Contribution: 2 712 777 €<br>Duration: 3 years and 8 months, starting on 1/01/2009   |
| APRES       | <b>The appropriateness of prescribing antibiotics in primary health care in Europe with respect to antibiotic resistance</b><br>EC Contribution: 2 809 511 €<br>Duration: 4 years starting on 1/10/2009                           |
| ATOME       | <b>Access to Opioid Medication in Europe</b><br>EC Contribution: approx. 2.45 million €<br>Duration: 5 years (under negotiation)  |
| BECAN       | <b>Balkan Epidemiological Study on Child Abuse and Neglect</b><br>EC Contribution: 2 323 346 €<br>Duration: 3 years starting on 1/10/2009   |
| BRIDGE      | <b>Scoping study of approaches to Brokering knowledge and Research Information to support the Development and Governance of health systems in Europe</b><br>EC Contribution: 790 997 €<br>Duration: 2 years starting on 1/01/2009 |

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| <b>CAMbrella</b>         | <b>CAMbrella – A pan-European research network for Complementary and Alternative Medicine (CAM)</b><br>EC Contribution: approx. 1.5 million €<br>Duration: 3 years (under negotiation) |
| <b>CEDAR</b>             | <b>Clinical decision making and outcome in routine care for people with severe mental illness</b><br>EC Contribution: 1 763 856 €<br>Duration: 3 years starting on 1/04/2009           |
| <b>CHANCES</b>           | <b>Consortium of Longitudinal Studies of Ageing and Health</b><br>EC Contribution: approx. 11.93 million €<br>Duration: 5 years (under negotiation)                                    |
| <b>CHICOS</b>            | <b>Developing a Child Cohort Research Strategy for Europe</b><br>EC Contribution: approx. 1.49 million €<br>Duration: 2 years (under negotiation)                                      |
| <b>COPING</b>            | <b>Children of Prisoners, Interventions &amp; Mitigations to Strengthen Mental Health</b><br>EC Contribution: approx. 2.86 million €<br>Duration: 3 years (under negotiation)          |
| <b>COURAGE in Europe</b> | <b>COURAGE in Europe - Collaborative Research on AGEing in Europe</b><br>EC Contribution: 2 999 992 €<br>Duration: 3 years starting on 1/05/2009                                       |
| <b>DISMEVAL</b>          | <b>Developing and validating disease management evaluation methods for European health care systems</b><br>EC Contribution: 2 651 891 €<br>Duration: 3 years starting on 1/01/2009     |
| <b>DUQuE</b>             | <b>Deepening our understanding of quality improvement in Europe</b><br>EC Contribution: approx. 3 million €<br>Duration: 3 years and 3 months (under negotiation)                      |
| <b>ECHO</b>              | <b>European Collaboration for Healthcare Optimization</b><br>EC Contribution: approx. 2.75 million €<br>Duration: 3 years and 6 months (under negotiation)                             |
| <b>ECHOUTCOME</b>        | <b>European Consortium in Healthcare Outcomes and cost-benefit research</b><br>EC Contribution: 1.06 million €<br>Duration: 3 years (under negotiation)                                |

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| <b>ECOSH</b>           | <b>Occupational Health and Safety Economics</b><br>EC Contribution: 210 574,93 €<br>Duration: 2 years and 1 month starting on 1/02/2008   |
| <b>EIS</b>             | <b>Development of a European Implementation Score for measuring implementation of research into healthcare practice using vascular disease as an example</b><br>EC Contribution: 2 767 922 €<br>Duration: 4 years starting on 1/04/2009   |
| <b>ENBREC</b>          | <b>European Network of Bipolar Research Expert Centres</b><br>EC Contribution: 662 900 €<br>Duration: 2 years starting on 1/07/2009   |
| <b>ENCE-CF-LAM-LTX</b> | <b>European Networks of Centres of Expertise for CF (Cystic Fibrosis), LAM (Lymphangiomyomatosis), and LTX (Lung Transplantation)</b><br>EC Contribution: 857 310 €<br>Duration: 2 years starting on 1/04/2009  |
| <b>ENERGY</b>          | <b>EuropeAN Energy balance Research to prevent excessive weight Gain among Youth: Theory and evidence-based development and validation of an intervention scheme to promote healthy nutrition and physical</b><br>EC Contribution: 2 872 588 €<br>Duration: 3 years starting on 1/02/2009 |
| <b>EUCBCC</b>          | <b>EUropean Cross Border Care Collaborations</b><br>EC Contribution: approx. 4.5 million €<br>Duration: 3 years (under negotiation)   |
| <b>Euprimecare</b>     | <b>Quality and costs of primary care in Europe</b><br>EC Contribution: approx. 2.35 million €<br>Duration: 3 years (under negotiation)  |
| <b>EuroDRG</b>         | <b>EuroDRG – Diagnosis-Related Groups in Europe: towards Efficiency and Quality</b><br>EC Contribution: 2 809 732 €<br>Duration: 3 years starting on 1/01/2009  |
| <b>EuroHOPE</b>        | <b>EuroHOPE – European Health Care Outcomes, Performance and Efficiency</b><br>EC Contribution: approx. 3 million €<br>Duration: 4 years (under negotiation)  |

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| <b>EuroREACH</b>         | <b>EuroREACH A Handbook to Access Health Care Data for Cross-country Comparisons of Efficiency and Quality</b><br>EC Contribution: approx. 1.48 million €<br>Duration: 3 years (under negotiation)                |
| <b>EURO-URHIS 2</b>      | <b>European Urban Health Indicators Part Two: Using indicators to inform policy</b><br>EC Contribution: 2 915 121 €<br>Duration: 4 years starting on 1/01/2009  |
| <b>FIRE</b>              | <b>Facilitating Implementation of Research Evidence</b><br>EC Contribution: 2 999 914 €<br>Duration: 4 years starting on 1/01/2009  |
| <b>FOCUS</b>             | <b>Fixed Dose Combination drugs for Secondary Cardiovascular Prevention</b><br>EC Contribution: approx. 3 million €<br>Duration: 3 years (under negotiation)  |
| <b>FUTURAGE</b>          | <b>A Roadmap for Ageing Research</b><br>EC Contribution: 1 751 791 €<br>Duration: 2 years starting on 1/09/2009   |
| <b>GRADIENT</b>          | <b>Tackling the Gradient: Applying Public Health Policies to Effectively Reduce Health Inequalities amongst Families and Children</b><br>EC Contribution: 1 881 257 €<br>Duration: 3 years starting on 1/04/2009  |
| <b>HANDOVER</b>          | <b>Improving the Continuity of patient care Through Identification and implementation of Novel patient handoff processes in Europe</b><br>EC Contribution: 2 623 200 €<br>Duration: 3 years starting on 1/10/2008 |
| <b>HEALTHatWORK</b>      | <b>An inquiry into the health and safety at work; a European Union perspective</b><br>EC Contribution: 1 046 444 €<br>Duration: 3 years starting on 1/08/2008   |
| <b>HEALTH PROMeTHEUS</b> | <b>HEALTH PROfessional Mobility in THE European Union Study</b><br>EC Contribution: 2 510 297 €<br>Duration: 3 years starting on 1/01/2009  |
| <b>HIScreenDiag</b>      | <b>Building a Tool to Evaluate and Improve Health Investments in Screening and Diagnosis of disease</b><br>EC Contribution: 438 885 €<br>Duration: 18 months starting on 1/03/2009                                |

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| <b>Homecare</b>          | <b>Clinical Continuity by Integrated Care</b><br>EC Contribution: 2 159 991 €<br>Duration: 3 years starting on 1/04/2009   |
| <b>HSREPP</b>            | <b>Health Services Research into European Policy and Practice: preparation and organisation of a European Health Services Research Conference</b><br>EC Contribution: 699 961 €<br>Duration: 2 years, starting on 1/03/2009  |
| <b>INTEGRIS</b>          | <b>Improved methodology for data collection on accidents and disabilities – Integration of European Injury Statistics</b><br>EC Contribution: 1 975 544,50 €<br>Duration: 3 years starting on 1/05/2008  |
| <b>INTERLINKS</b>        | <b>Health systems and long-term care for older people in Europe – Modelling the INTERfaces and LINKS between prevention, rehabilitation, quality of services and informal care</b><br>EC Contribution: 2 985 919 €<br>Duration: 3 years starting on 1/11/2008              |
| <b>LINNEAUS EURO –PC</b> | <b>Learning from International Networks about Errors and Understanding Safety in Primary Care</b><br>EC Contribution: 2 461 250 €<br>Duration: 4 years starting on 1/03/2009   |
| <b>LIVING DONATION</b>   | <b>Ethical, legal and Psychosocial aspects of organ transplantation; exchange of best practices; living organ donation; organisational models of organ donation and transplantation</b><br>EC Contribution: approx. 1.1 million €<br>Duration: 2 years (under negotiation) |
| <b>MANAGED OUTCOMES</b>  | <b>Operations management and demand-based approaches to healthcare outcomes and cost-benefits research</b><br>EC Contribution: approx. 3 million €<br>Duration: 3 years (under negotiation)  |
| <b>MentDis_ICF65+</b>    | <b>Prevalence, 1-year incidence and symptom severity of mental disorders in the elderly: Relationship to impairment, functioning (ICF) and service utilisation</b><br>EC Contribution: 2 997 684 €<br>Duration: 4 years starting on 1/10/2008                              |
| <b>MoHProf</b>           | <b>Mobility of Health Professionals</b><br>EC Contribution: 2 340 347 €<br>Duration: 3 years starting on 1/11/2008   |



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| <b>Monitoring Medicines</b> | <p><b>Optimizing drug safety monitoring to enhance patient safety and achieve better health outcomes</b><br/> EC Contribution: 1 995 096 €<br/> Duration: 3 years and 6 months starting on 01/09/2009</p>  |
| <b>ORCAB</b>                | <p><b>Improving quality and safety in the hospital: The link between organisational culture, burnout, and quality of care</b><br/> EC Contribution: 1.91 million €<br/> Duration: 4 years and 7 months (under negotiation)</p>                     |
| <b>OSPI-Europe</b>          | <p><b>Optimizing suicide prevention programs and their implementation in Europe</b><br/> EC Contribution: 2 991 727 €<br/> Duration: 4 years starting 1/10/2008</p>  |
| <b>OTC SOCIOMED</b>         | <p><b>Assessing the over-the-counter medications in primary care and translating the theory of planned behaviour into interventions</b><br/> EC Contribution: approx. 0.97 €<br/> Duration: 2 years (under negotiation)</p>                        |
| <b>PAIN-OUT</b>             | <p><b>Improvement in Postoperative PAIN OUTcome</b><br/> EC Contribution: 2 912 325 €<br/> Duration: 4 years starting on 1/01/2009</p>   |
| <b>PAPA</b>                 | <p><b>Promoting Adolescent health through an intervention aimed at improving the quality of their participation in Physical Activity</b><br/> EC Contribution: 2 980 680 €<br/> Duration: 4 years starting on 1/04/2009</p>                        |
| <b>PPACTE</b>               | <p><b>Pricing Policies and Control of Tobacco in Europe</b><br/> EC Contribution: 2 991 656 €<br/> Duration: 3 years starting on 1/02/2009</p>   |
| <b>PROHIBIT</b>             | <p><b>Prevention of Hospital Infections by Intervention and Training</b><br/> EC Contribution: approx. 3 million €<br/> Duration: 4 years (under negotiation)</p>  |
| <b>QUALICOPC</b>            | <p><b>Quality and costs of primary care in Europe</b><br/> EC Contribution: approx. 2.47 million €<br/> Duration: 3 years (under negotiation)</p>  |
| <b>QUASER</b>               | <p><b>Quality and safety in European Union hospitals: A research-based guide for implementing best practice and a framework for assessing performance</b><br/> EC Contribution: approx. 3 million €<br/> Duration: 3 years (under negotiation)</p> |

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| <b>RICHE</b>              | <b>RICHE – a platform and inventory for child health research in Europe</b><br>EC Contribution: approx. 1.5 million €<br>Duration: 3 years (under negotiation)   |
| <b>RightTimePlaceCare</b> | <b>Improving health services for European citizens with dementia: Development of best practice strategies for the transition from ambulatory to institutional long-term care facilities</b><br>EC Contribution: approx. 2.98 million €<br>Duration: 3 years and 6 months (under negotiation) |
| <b>RN4CAST</b>            | <b>Nurse Forecasting: Human Resources Planning in Nursing</b><br>EC Contribution: 2 999 988 €<br>Duration: 3 years starting on 1/01/2009   |
| <b>ROWER</b>              | <b>Building a knowledge Repository for Occupational Well-being Economics Research</b><br>EC Contribution: 784 791,64 €<br>Duration: 3 years starting on 1/07/2008  |
| <b>SHELTER</b>            | <b>Services and Health for Elderly in Long TERM care</b><br>EC Contribution: 2 350 758 €<br>Duration: 3 years starting on 1/01/2009  |
| <b>SAGhE</b>              | <b>Safety and Appropriateness of Growth hormone treatments in Europe</b><br>EC Contribution: 2 989 154 €<br>Duration: 3 years starting on 1/06/2009  |
| <b>SEYLE</b>              | <b>Saving and empowering young lives in Europe</b><br>EC Contribution: 2 983 941 €<br>Duration: 3 years starting on 1/01/2009  |
| <b>TEMPEST</b>            | <b>Temptations to Eat Moderated by Personal and Environmental Self-regulation Tools</b><br>EC Contribution: 2 404 118 €<br>Duration: 4 years starting on 1/02/2009   |
| <b>UMPIRE</b>             | <b>Use of a Multidrug Pill In Reducing Cardiovascular Events</b><br>EC Contribution: approx. 3 million €<br>Duration: 3 years (under negotiation)  |
| <b>WE-STAY</b>            | <b>Work Together to Stop Truancy Among Youth</b><br>EC Contribution: approx. 3 million €<br>Duration: 3 years (under negotiation)  |

# INTERNATIONAL PUBLIC HEALTH & HEALTH SYSTEMS

| ACRONYM    | TITLE   |
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| AMASA      | <b>Accessing Medicines in Africa and South Asia</b><br>EC Contribution: approx. 3 million €<br>Duration: 3 years (under negotiation)  |
| ATP        | <b>Access to Pharmaceuticals</b><br>EC Contribution: approx. 1.75 million €<br>Duration: 3 years (under negotiation)  |
| CBHI India | <b>Developing efficient and responsive community based micro health insurance in India</b><br>EC Contribution: 2 999 997 €<br>Duration: 5 years starting on 1/07/2009                       |
| CERCA      | <b>Community-embedded Reproductive health Care for Adolescents</b><br>EC Contribution: approx. 2.89 million €<br>Duration: 4 years (under negotiation)                                      |
| EquitAble  | <b>Enabling universal and equitable access to healthcare for vulnerable people in poor resource settings</b><br>EC Contribution: 2 654 943 €<br>Duration: 4 years starting on 1/03/2009     |
| Equity-LA  | <b>Impact on equity of access and efficiency of Integrated Health care Networks (IHN) in Colombia and Brazil</b><br>EC Contribution: 1 722 053 €<br>Duration: 4 years starting on 1/03/2009 |
| HEFPA      | <b>Health Equity and Financial Protection in Asia</b><br>EC Contribution: approx. 2 885 767 €<br>Duration: 4 years starting on 1/06/2009  |
| HESVIC     | <b>Health system stewardship and regulation in Vietnam, India and China</b><br>EC Contribution: 2 999 894 €<br>Duration: 3 years starting on 1/07/2009                                      |
| HITT-2008  | <b>Health in Times of Transition: Trends in Population Health and Health Policies in CIS Countries</b><br>EC Contribution: 3 000 000 €<br>Duration: 4 years starting on 1/05/2009           |

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| <b>IntHEC</b>    | <p><b>Health Education and Community Integration: Evidence based Strategies to increase equity, integration and effectiveness of reproductive health services for poor communities in Sub Saharan Africa</b><br/> EC Contribution: approx. 2.27 million €<br/> Duration: 3 years (under negotiation)</p> |
| <b>ISSC</b>      | <p><b>An integrated surveillance system for infectious disease in rural China: generating evidence for early detection of disease epidemics in resource-poor settings</b><br/> EC Contribution: approx. 2.97 million €<br/> Duration: 4 years (under negotiation)</p>                                    |
| <b>MEDCHAMPS</b> | <p><b>MEDiterranean studies of Cardiovascular disease and Hyperglycaemia: Analytical Modelling of Population Socio-economic transitions</b><br/> EC Contribution: 2 703 358 €<br/> Duration: 3 years and 6 months starting on 1/03/2009</p>  |
| <b>PREPARE</b>   | <p><b>Promoting sexual- and reproductive health among adolescents in southern and eastern Africa – mobilising parents, schools, and communities</b><br/> EC Contribution: approx. 3 million €<br/> Duration: 4 years (under negotiation)</p>   |
| <b>QUALMAT</b>   | <p><b>Quality of maternal and prenatal care: bridging the know-do gap</b><br/> EC Contribution: 2 915 228 €<br/> Duration: 5 years starting on 1/05/2009</p>   |
| <b>SURE</b>      | <p><b>Supporting the Use of Research Evidence for Policy in African Health Systems</b><br/> EC Contribution: 2 988 536 €<br/> Duration: 5 years starting on 1/06/2009</p>  |





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