Annual Review 2024



Member Organisations:



Supporting Collaborators:





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1. Foreword

Dear friends,

It is a pleasure to address you in the fifth EUDF Annual Report and it is important to take stock of what progress has been made so far.

Thank you to everyone, especially our Members and Supporting Collaborators, who have supported us to achieve so much in the past 12 months.

Our impact on diabetes policy is growing. In 2024, we were able to create policy momentum on NCDs and diabetes and create a true forum for our Members and Supporting Collaborators to discuss together how we can optimize the lives of people with diabetes and guide policy makers.

We are particularly proud of the Diabetes Community Pledge and election campaign, which was co-developed and is supported by the united diabetes community. This is the first time ever the united European Diabetes Community went out together with a joint agenda, requests and recommendations. We take this opportunity to thank all our Members and Supporting Collaborators to develop this joint work and even more important to reach out to policy makers and discuss with them the pledge and the recommendations.

On top of the four existing strategic pillars, EUDF started working in depth on two new pillars 'Implement Disease Modifying Therapies' and 'Tackle the interplay between obesity and diabetes'. The existing recommendations on our 4 strategic priorities; digitalization, data & registries, integrated care and screening & early detection are still up to date and served EUDF and its Members and Supporting Collaborators to give input to several European projects.

- <u>Diabetes Registries: Enabling high quality diabetes care</u>
- Five Priorities for Advancing Integrated Care
- The Promise of Digital Tools in Diabetes: A roadmap for apps
- Identify people with undiagnosed and early stage diabetes as a basis for prevention & early intervention

We continued the dissemination of these policy recommendations widely at events, through publications and through promotion on the websites of our partners. We

engaged with the European Commission, the European Parliament and WHO in the discussion on how to implement the recommendations. Currently four strategic topics are included in the European Parliament Diabetes Resolution, in the Healthier Together project, the work packages of the European Commission JACARDI (Joint Action Diabetes & Cardiovascular diseases) and in the strategic workplan with WHO EURO.

Now we are ready to intensify our engagement with policy makers at European level to ensure further action and implementation of our policy recommendations and proposals. The year 2025 is a post-election year and a crucial year to seize new opportunities and plans during the start of the new mandate of the European Commission. The interest in health is under pressure due to attention for other policy areas, it is necessary to closely involve the many new and experienced MEPs to keep diabetes high on the agenda. The community asks European policy makers to take action by embedding the proposals from the diabetes community in a comprehensive cardiovascular health plan that will cover as well diabetes and obesity.

We extend our gratitude to every Member of the Board as well as each and every Member of the Forum and all experts in the Strategic Forums for all the efforts and activities undertaken and the achievements made to improve the lives of people with diabetes and those at risk.

PEOPLE WITH DIABETES DESERVE a better TOMORROW

The Promise of Digital Tools in Diabetes Registries

Diabetes Registries

Five Priorities, for Advancing Integrated Const.

Stefano Del Prato, Chair

Chantal Mathieu, Vice-Chair

Bart Torbeyns, Executive Director

"Together we speak with one strong voice to improve diabetes care"

2. Our vision & mission

EUDF aims to improve outcomes for people with diabetes, and unite stakeholders from across the diabetes landscape in Europe. This includes, policy makers, researchers, scientific societies, patient organizations, nurse associations, institutions connected to diabetes related co-morbidities, industry, governments, regulators, payers, and many more.

We provide the platform for these stakeholders to collaborate and to improve how we, as societies, manage diabetes and jointly advocate for policy change that enables our healthcare systems to cope with the diabetes pandemic. We support European and national stakeholders in driving a policy conversation, take concrete action to improve diabetes care, and provide a central point of contact for diabetes policy in Europe.

OUR MISSION:

Ensure the translation of research into policy actions towards better diabetes care at national level.

OUR VISION:

Enable healthcare systems to cope with the diabetes pandemic, while achieving the best possible outcomes

3. Our strategy

Our strategy sets out how we're tackling the diabetes crisis. It provides focus for our work, to make sure we rise to the challenges we face.

This report will take you through our 2024 journey, focusing on some of our biggest achievements and the work that has helped us meet our strategic aims.

- 1. Recognize the relevance of diabetes on the public and policy agenda
- 2. Translate research into policy action
 - 1. Use health data to define, measure and achieve better outcomes
 - 2. Empower PwD through digital and innovative therapies
 - 3. Rethink health systems to focus on primary and integrated care
 - 4. Identify people with undiagnosed and early stage diabetes as a basis for prevention & early intervention
 - 5. Implement disease modifying therapies in diabetes
 - 6. Tackle the interplay between obesity and diabetes
- 3. Establish EUDF as an organization with European and national impact

4. Our key projects

1. Recognize the relevance of diabetes on the public and policy agenda

Diabetes Community Pledge for the European Parliament Elections 2024

The Diabetes Community Pledge has been developed by our Members and Supporting Collaborators ahead of the June 2024 European parliamentary elections, a critical moment for setting the EU policy agenda.



The Pledge contains 15 concrete policy recommendations addressed to the European Union and to Member States to improve the lives of People with Diabetes and those at risk. As we rethink the priorities for the next mandate, we call on policy makers to understand what is at stake and implement the right policies at every level of government, whether European, national or regional.

We believe the EU should build a supportive European framework and help Member States design the right policies on diabetes and provide a clear mandate for European

and national actions in these four areas:

- 1. Early detection
- 2. Equitable high-quality care
- 3. Empowering people
- 4. Embracing science and technology.



What matters to our community is to get things done. Together, we can ensure people with diabetes in Europe live longer and more fulfilling lives, avoid preventable costs and strengthen the resilience and sustainability of health systems.

A campaign toolkit has been developed for the Members and Supporting collaborators based on the content of the pledge and during the year we discussed the progress of the campaign with our partners. Several MEPs endorsed the pledge.



SANT Committee Chair, MEP Jarubas, endorsed the Diabetes Community pledge.



Engagement with Hungarian Council Presidency Hungarian Council Conclusions on cardiovascular diseases



EUDF and its partners engaged several times during the Hungarian presidency with the Hungarian Health authorities to ensure diabetes was properly referenced and included in the Council Conclusions. EUDF also attended the Council Presidency meeting on this

subject in Budapest in July 2024.

References to diabetes:

 Diabetes increases the risk of cardiovascular diseases (CVD), such as coronary artery disease, heart failure, and stroke, due to high blood sugar levels damaging blood vessels and



nerves controlling the heart. Therefore, the effective management of diabetes—including control of blood sugar, blood pressure, and cholesterol — is vital in minimising the risk of cardiovascular disease and other complications from diabetes.

- Expanding evidence-based screening across Member States for CVD risk factors, including diabetes, is crucial. Early detection of diabetes can help address CVDs, reduce the burden of undiagnosed and unmanaged risk factors, and improve health outcomes through timely interventions.
- Diabetes significantly increases the risk of additional cardiovascular conditions, including cardio-renal-metabolic (CRM) syndrome, which involves obesity, chronic kidney disease (CKD), and cardiovascular diseases (CVDs). Effective secondary prevention strategies—focused on managing diabetes-related risk factors, enhancing patient education, and boosting health literacy—are crucial for improving outcomes.



Actions:

- The Council Conclusions invite Member States to take into account the connection of CVD with diabetes and obesity, and including as appropriate, comprehensive actions to tackle and manage these conditions;
- Recalls Council conclusions on promotion of healthy lifestyles and prevention of type 2 diabetes, which recognised that CVDs can be due to complications following type 2 diabetes, and that 'preventing diabetes has a direct positive benefit on other noncommunicable diseases, e.g. cardiovascular diseases;

MEPs Mobilizing for Diabetes

EUDF supported a specific interest group of Members of the European Parliament interested in diabetes entitled 'MEPs Mobilizing for Diabetes'.



WHO EURO

EUDF engaged with the senior NCD leadership and had a fruitful exchanges on how the outcomes for people living with diabetes can be improved. EUDF is an official non-state actor NGO for WHO EURO.



We engaged at several occasions with the Regional Medical Officer CVD

and Diabetes WHO Europe and our interactions were mainly focused on diabetes data and registries. The Regional Medical Officer CVD and Diabetes participated as speaker to the EUDF Symposium and as well to the EUDF workshop on diabetes data and registries (see our external presence chapter). Representatives of WHO Euro explained how they will monitor the progress towards the Global Diabetes Compact targets. Some country case studies were presented and discussed.



WHO Global – Global Diabetes Compact

EUDF engaged with the senior NCD leadership and had fruitful exchanges on how the outcomes for people living with diabetes can be improved. EUDF was an active member at the Global



Diabetes Compact meetings and gave updates about our ongoing work during the Diabetes Compact meetings.



European Commission

EUDF contributed to the initiative 'Healthier Together' to support EU countries in reducing the burden of non-communicable diseases and



committed to support the implementation at country level of the focus areas laid out by the European Commission.

HEALTHIER TOGETHER
DURN-COMMISSION.
**DURN-COMMISSION.*

EUDF contributed to the development of specific objectives and actions. We introduced the EUDF priorities and shared best practices and highlighted the role we can play in the next steps and implementation.





To implement the ideas listed in the Healthier Together publication, the European Commission started the EU <u>Joint Action JACARDI</u> to reduce the burden of cardiovascular diseases and diabetes.

This new four-year project was launched in Rome on 27 November 2023. This initiative, engaging ministries, public health bodies, non-governmental organizations, and universities, aims to assist European Union member states in reducing the burden of cardiovascular diseases, diabetes, and associated risk factors, both at the individual and societal levels. JACARDI emerges as a unified European response to the growing challenge of CVD and diabetes. The project is focusing on the implementation of proven

and effective practices in the treatment of CVDs and diabetes through the execution of 142 pilot projects. JACARDI is coordinated by the Italian National Institute of Health and has received €53 million in funding from the European Commission. The initiative brings together 21 European countries, involving 76 partners and over 300 public health experts.



EUDF's chair and Executive Director are members of the stakeholder advisory group. EUDF had several interactions with the Joint Action coordinators and stimulated Members and Supporting Collaborators to take up an active role at country level. EUDF will continue to act as an advisor to the coordinators of the Joint Action and will disseminate the Joint Action activities. Above all EUDF will continue to facilitate country engagement and implementation.



2. Translate research into policy action

EUDF offers specific, achievable policy recommendations in six key areas:

- The use of health data to define, measure and achieve better outcomes;
- Empowering people with diabetes through digital technologies and innovative therapies; and
- Rethinking health systems to focus on primary and integrated care
- Identifying people with undiagnosed diabetes as a basis for prevention & early intervention
- Tackling the interplay between obesity and diabetes
- Implementing disease modifying therapies in diabetes

Data and Registries

Diabetes registries are essential to enable a more evidence-based and data-driven approach to diabetes management. Registries ensure quality control and better adherence to guidelines; track performance across clinics or regions and help identify the reasons for variation in outcomes; and inform the delivery of care and treatments, which can reduce costly complications. Policy makers, health authorities, healthcare professionals, industry, and people with diabetes must work together to advance the development of registries throughout Europe where they do not exist, or to expand and strengthen those where they do.

Recommendations:

https://www.eudf.org/our-work/strategic-forum-data-and-registries/

Over the course of the year there were several interactions with the public health authorities concerning the diabetes registries.

In order to further work on the implementation of these recommendations, we organized an expert meeting in 2024 to stimulate national actions and share best practices on how to optimise the clinical use of existing registries.

We invited representatives from JACARDI, the European Commission Project CHIEF, WHO Europe and experts on diabetes data and registries from the countries to assess and discuss whether and how the work in this strategic forum impacted their current work. Members of the group discussed and reflected what more could be done in their

current work. The group wants to inspire countries that plan to set-up a registry and advice on the implementation. The meeting report will be published in 2025.

More than 30 experts in representation of national, European and global registries discussed challenges and opportunities they have encountered in setting up their registries and diabetes database and how diabetes registries can enable high-quality

diabetes care.



We organized as well a symposium during the EASD Annual Meeting (see external presence).

Self-care, Technology and Digitalization

It is essential to hand people with diabetes with the knowledge and tools they need to better manage their condition. Improving the self-management capacities of people with diabetes is key to achieving a high level of compliance to therapy (matching behaviour to medical advice), improved health outcomes and a better quality of life with reduced long-term complications. Here, digital tools including mobile apps can serve as the patient-facing interface for digitally enabled care, giving people with diabetes and their care teams tools to manage their condition through better day-to-day support, greater flexibility and more connectedness with healthcare providers, which can help enable remote monitoring and more data-driven decision-making.

Recommendations:

https://www.eudf.org/our-work/strategic-forum-self-care-technology-and-digitalization/

Within the frame of technology, the discussion is growing on the potential and challenges of Artificial Intelligence (AI) in the diabetes field. Because of the importance of the topic and its potential implications for the development of a modern approach to health care delivery in diabetes, EUDF has established a new working group on "AI-based clinical decision support".

The use of artificial intelligence to improve the diagnosis, assessment and treatment of diabetes and its associated cardiometabolic complications is an emerging area of healthcare research and application, that can drive a paradigm shift in the way diabetes care is provided, with the dual objective of minimizing treatment inertia and optimising outcomes for PwD. If the potential for AI in healthcare is realized, it will drive a paradigm shift in the care of people with diabetes, delivering data-driven solutions for disease prediction and management.

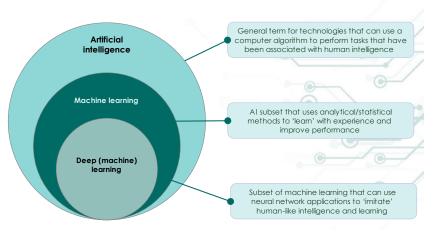
This working group of EUDF investigated this technology as it relates to diabetes, including understanding the possibilities and predicting the scenarios in which AI can improve the delivery of diabetes care and improve outcomes for PwD, as well as increasing the capabilities of diabetes services and HCPs. This includes understanding the limitations of AI technology and the hurdles that must be overcome in delivering these benefits.

The objectives of this working group are:

- Present an initial roadmap and recommendations.
- Explore whether there is a need and room for a consensus or guidance.

We intend to raise awareness within the diabetes community

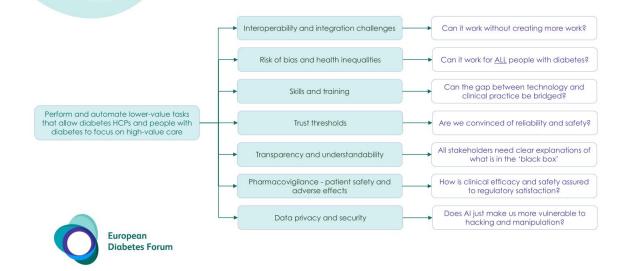
What does AI really mean?



and the regulatory bodies on the opportunities and challenges such technology can generate, confident that now is the time to start an open and constructive discussion.

The recommendations will be published in the course of 2025.

Landscape of AI in diabetes clinical support



Integrated Care

We must rethink and redesign care in ways that are better suited to the needs of people with diabetes. That is why integrated care is really the lodestar for assessing all other aspects of diabetes care. At its heart is a longer-term and more holistic approach towards people with diabetes that deals with the condition's complexity.

With this in mind, the EUDF has outlined pragmatic strategies to improve integration in all care settings, including implementing assessment models, developing patient centred pathways for diabetes care, revamping educational curricula, and putting incentives in place to encourage cooperation and teamwork within and between primary and secondary care settings.

Recommendations: https://www.eudf.org/our-work/strategic-forum-integrated-care/

EUDF is an active member of the <u>EU Health Coalition</u>, a multi-stakeholder initiative representing 49 organisations from across the healthcare sector. EUDF co-chairs the working group on health systems integration and integrated care.

A key recommendation of the coalition is to incentivise integrated care across Europe through dedicated resources, competences development and assessment.



- Support health systems in adopting incentives supporting concrete integration of care and the development of integrated care patient pathways. This could be made possible, for instance, by
 - Researching and implementing innovative financing models, linked to value and outcomes, ensuring affordability, bridging of budget silos and delivery of better care.
 - Linking payments to outcome metrics to incentivise focus on high-quality service delivery, positive patient outcomes and quality of life.
 - Developing a European framework to assess implementation and progress on integrated care (through dedicated EU project) and the inclusion of an integration of care measure in EU projects proposals.
- Boosting health professionals' integration and interdisciplinary skills. Health systems
 integration elements should be better included in education and on-the-job training,
 by working with professional institutions to provide educational materials and
 opportunities on integrated care.

The EUDF Poster with five priorities for advancing Integrated care was accepted at the 2024 IFIC (International Foundation for Integrated Care) congress).



Early identification and screening

Diabetes is a rapidly accelerating public health crisis demanding immediate policy attention. Early detection of diabetes is important, as timely and adequate diabetes management could prevent or delay complications, comorbidity, poor quality of life and premature death, as such contributing substantially to decreasing the burden of diabetes for individuals, health systems and societies.

Screening and early diagnosis allows to identify people with undiagnosed diabetes as a basis for prevention and intervention.

Type 1 diabetes (T1D) is the most common chronic disease in children and adolescents. The European Region has the highest number of children and adolescents living with T1D (295,000) as well as the highest incidence annually with 31,000 new cases per year. The incidence of T1D is increasing in Europe by more than 3% per year.

A large proportion of people with T1D are diagnosed under dramatic circumstances in the emergency rooms, presenting with abnormally high blood sugars and a dangerous, sometimes fatal, condition called diabetes ketoacidosis (DKA). Detecting T1D before symptoms occur is possible through a simple blood test. Screening for T1D would provide people the time to prepare for the diagnosis, develop a plan for further monitoring with their doctor and avoid serious adverse events and hospitalization.

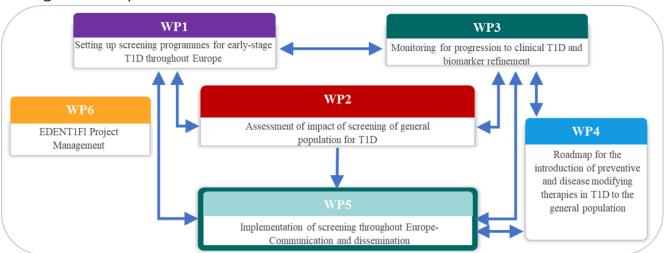
In a groundbreaking collaborative effort, academic researchers, industry leaders, and charities have joined forces to combat T1D with the support of a €22 million grant from the Innovative Health Initiative (IHI).



<u>EDENT1FI</u>, which stands for "European action for the Diagnosis of Early Non-clinical Type 1 diabetes For disease Interception," is a global consortium comprised of 28 partners spanning 12 countries.

These partners have come together with a shared mission: to identify T1D at its preclinical stage in children in the general population. The project is funded through the Horizon Europe program and is set to run over five years.

EUDF was selected as partner in this consortium and is a member of the work package 5 'communication and dissemination' working on the implementation of screening throughout Europe.



More information:

<u>Italian law for national pediatric screening for type 1 diabetes</u>

<u>EDENT1FI - European action for the Diagnosis of Early Non-clinical Type 1 diabetes For disease Interception</u>

Given the silent and progressive nature of **Type 2 Diabetes (T2D)**, early detection and prompt diagnosis are critical to avoid long-term complications such as heart diseases, kidney diseases and eye disease. Not only are these complications potentially overwhelming from a personal perspective, but they are also hugely costly to health systems.

Screening people for diabetes and diabetes-related complications will help ensure that the relevant action is undertaken early (e.g., initiation of education and treatment) thereby delaying, or reducing the risk of developing, the condition and/ or its complications. While the investment in upfront screening and risk-reduction campaigns

might be significant, the case for the cost-effectiveness of prevention has been clearly demonstrated. Furthermore, targeted screening for T2D diabetes may be considered, in particular among adults with overweight, obesity, high blood pressure, high cholesterol, or other relevant risk factors. Screening of people at high risk of developing diabetes should be integrated with high blood pressure and hypercholesterolemia screening programs within primary care. Selective screening for diabetes and prediabetes is also recommended for patients with established cardiovascular disease.

A main activity in 2024 was the follow-up after the exhibition on health checks in the European Parliament, EUDF was one of the co-organizers of this event.

More needs to be done, and we must draw attention to the fact that EU institutions have the power to make a significant difference in the lives of over 100 million people (collectively) living with CVD and diabetes.

As it was mentioned, policy makers must understand the urgent need for solutions and actions at the EU level. The Hungarian Council Conclusions references to the importance of screening are a step in the right direction for improving conditions for people living with chronic diseases.

More information:

The case for a Joint Cardiovascular and Diabetes Health Check
The Diabetes Risk Score
Do the FINDRISC test

Disease Modifying Therapies in diabetes

As scientific understanding of both type 1 and type 2 diabetes continues to evolve, disease modifying treatments — which affect the underlying pathophysiology - have the potential to prevent, delay, slow or reverse the progression of diabetes.



However, realising the potential of these treatments requires defining the diabetes community's aspiration for the future of diabetes treatment and care, and identifying the policy barriers which will limit their uptake to ensure the continued unmet needs facing both type 1 and type 2 diabetes patients are recognised and prioritised by policy makers.

This strategic forum will seek to unite the diabetes community behind a shared vision for the future of treatment and care in order to drive policy change which will enable the effective uptake of these treatments over the coming years.

Carmen Hurtado del Pozo, Director European Research at Breakthrough T1D and EUDF Board Member, has been nominated as chair of this strategic forum.

We initiated the work at the end of 2024 and we will publish and launch the recommendations in the course of 2025.

Tackling the interplay between obesity and diabetes

Obesity, a chronic inflammatory disease represented by multifactorial metabolic dysfunctions, is a significant global health threat for adults and children. In patients with T2D, overweight and obese BMI ranges are associated with increased risk of T2D-related



complications. In patients with T1D, the mounting epidemiological data now establishes the connection between T1D and the subsequent development of obesity, or vice versa. Obesity and diabetes are not isolated – they are highly interlinked with each other, hence the healthcare system changes necessary to address existing problems are overlapping. This strategic forum will seek to unite the diabetes community behind a diabetes/obesity narrative in order to drive policy change which will enable timely diagnosis and effective management in order to reduce the risk of costly complications, improve the quality of life and will lead to downstream benefits across multiple NCDs.

Prof. Jean-François Gautier, past-president of SFD and EUDF Board Member, has been nominated as chair of this strategic forum.

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3. Establish EUDF as an organization with European and national impact

In 2024, important progress was made to contribute to our ambition to build a strong coalition on diabetes, including all relevant stakeholders. Importance steps were made to further professionalize the association.

- The existing strategic plan was updated
- Several General Assembly meetings were organized
- Strategy Forums are operational, including representatives of science, industry, patient organizations, healthcare professionals
- EUDF engaged with Members and partners to ensure EUDF was represented in the main relevant conferences
- External communication and policy outreach was initiated to facilitate the external recognition as the European platform for a united diabetes voice
- EUDF is represented in several relevant consortia (EDENT1FI), coalitions (e.g. EU
 Health Coalition), Joint Actions (JACARDI), WHO initiatives and other relevant projects
 so that proposals from the diabetes community can be incorporated and
 implemented in these projects







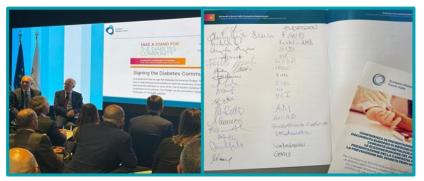




SFD gave updates on a regular basis about the situation and progress made in France.
 All SFD members and partners signed the Diabetes Community Pledge.



- EUDF had several engagements with experts from the DDG **Germany** to support outreach to German MEPs and German leaders in the European Commission.
- All EUDF Italy members and partners signed the Diabetes Community Pledge and they asked national politicians to endorse the recommendations.





 There was an interest from the UK in the Diabetes Community pledge, EUDF was invited to present the pledge at the ABCD event during the DUK conference.



There were regular contacts with the existing national diabetes forums in Belgium,
 Romania and Italy

EUDF, AN ORGANIZATION WITH NATIONAL IMPACT ROMANIA BELGIUM

ITALY













EUDF Italia – some key projects – more info here



FACING DIABETES: CHALLENGES AND TRIUMPHS

Scientific partners: 12

Social partners: 9

Corporate Partners: 9

50 EXPERTS INVOLVED

Recent Legislative Developments in Italy Law No. 130 (September 15, 2023):

Introduces a national screening program for the early diagnosis of Type 1 Diabetes and Celiac Disease in children. The goal is to improve diagnosis and prognosis by identifying asymptomatic cases. A National Observatory has been established to monitor the situation and promote information campaigns.

Senate Bill No. 135 (October 13, 2022): Proposes the introduction of physical exercise as a tool for prevention and therapy within the National Health

therapy within the National Health Service, allowing doctors to prescribe it and enabling families to benefit from tax deductions. Currently under approval.

Chamber of Deputies Bill No. 741
(December 28, 2022): Aims to recognize obesity as a disease and include it in the Essential Levels of Care (LEA), fully covered by the National Health Service. Currently under review, it is expected to be voted on in July 2024.

FROM EUDF ITALY, THE ROADMAP AND PLEDGE DOCUMENT OF THE DIABETES COMMUNITY FOR THE MEMBERS OF THE NEW EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT

Italy is actively supporting a pledge outlining diabetes community priorities for the 2024 European elections. The pledge has been delivered to European Commission members and MEPs, with broad support from Italian MEPs across political parties. The September 19th event aims to promote awareness and support among the scientific community and patient associations, encouraging collective endorsement and political action for improved diabetes care





Programmatic Document of EUDF Italia 2024

Strategic Forums

Integrated Care

Interventions to integrate care, adapting it to the needs of healthcare professionals and patients, harmonizing the role of diabetes centers with general practitioners and pediatricians

Data & Registers

Goal of a national registry, starting with regional registries. Some regions already use unified diabetes patient records to improve care monitoring

Selfcare, Technology & Digitalization Harnessing technological innovation to provide remote care and address the growing demand for healthcare services

Type 1 Diabetes

Support for pediatric screening to prevent diabetic ketoacidosis (DKA). Law 130/2023 promotes screening to identify children at risk of veloping Type I diabetes



Belgian Diabetes Forum - some key projects - more info here



Belgian Diabetes Forum



Belgian Diabetes Forum



Goals

- 1. Optimization of prevention and care for diabetes
- 2. Cost-effective and realistic proposals
- 3. As a spin-off, improvement of chronic care in general

How?

- Bringing all stakeholders together (strong Belgian diabetes community)
- Aligning priorities and urgencies
- Presenting a united front

Main achievements

- White Paper (2021): status diabetes care in Belgium and proposals to improve
- Annual live events (2022-23): Speak Up I
- In depth-fora: open discussions with experts to give input to policy makers
- Memorandum (2024): in preparation of the elections



Third edition of Speak Up on November 9, 2024



Romanian Diabetes Forum - some key projects - more info here

The Romanian Diabetes Forum

MEMBERS

- > Medical societies (7)
- > Patient associations (13)
- Professional colleges of doctors and pharmacists (2)
- Authorities
- ARPIM Diabetes working group (6 companies)

3 MAIN DIRECTIONS OF ACTIONS TO FOLLOW



Continue to engage members of the Forum in joint activities



Raise awareness on diabetes



Have an active contribution to policy shaping on prevention regarding diabetes

Romania, among the first European countries to develop a National Diabetes Forum



Most important public policy changes related to diabetes in Romania

- Additional 15-minute session for patient education
- Introduction of advanced medical devices for diabetes self-monitoring, such as insulin pump systems equipped with continuous glucose monitoring (CGM) sensors.
- GPs may recommend basal (fasting) blood glucose, oral glucose tolerance test (OGTT), or HbAlc testing as part of the basic medical services for at-risk individuals.
- GPs can initiate treatment with ICD Metformin (a noninsulin antidiabetic medication) for patients with HbAlc levels between 5.7% and 6.49%.





5. Our external presence - uniting stakeholders from across the diabetes landscape

EUDF's participation to Webinars & Symposiums

EUDF Session at ATTD 2024 in Florence - 8 March 2024, 09.30 – 10.30 Al Driven Clinical Decision Support Systems: potential, concerns and what to expect?

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paradigm shift in the way diabetes care is provided, with the dual objective of minimizing treatment inertia and optimising outcomes for PwD. If the potential for AI in healthcare is realized, it will drive a paradigm shift in the care of people with diabetes, delivering data-driven solutions for disease prediction and management.

A working group of the European Diabetes Forum investigates this technology as it relates to diabetes, including understanding the possibilities and predicting the scenarios in which AI can improve the delivery of diabetes care and improve outcomes for PwD, as well as increasing the capabilities of diabetes services and HCPs. This includes understanding the limitations of AI technology and the hurdles that must be overcome in

delivering these benefits. In this session representatives of the working group will report and discuss the initial findings.

Watch session recording



Stepping Up Action on Non-Communicable Disease - Leveraging Digital

Health, HIMMS Conference Rome 30 May 2024, 11.00-12.00

While the world was blindsided by Covid, Earth's deadliest non-communicable diseases (NCDs) stealthily and methodically wiped-out thousands of lives. Cancer, respiratory disease, cardiovascular disease, diabetes – the four biggest killers—retained



their foothold. The WHO has reported these NCDs collectively accounted for 61% of annual deaths in 2000, and now cause nearly three quarters of all deaths globally. If the current trend continues, NCDs will be responsible for about 86% of deaths by 2048. This session explored how European health systems can redouble efforts to stem the rise of NCDs and get back on track with 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, which



includes a target of reducing the probability of death from any of the four main NCDs between ages 30 and 70 years by one third by 2030. We learned from concrete examples of how digital and data can help with prevention, early detection, and management. It's time to redouble efforts to combat non-communicable disease leveraging the power of data and

technology. EUDF was represented at the HIMSS 24 conference in Rome reflecting with Walter Ricciardi, Marco Silano, Kristina Curtis, Shane Fitch and Isabelle Kumar how digital health and AI can be leveraged to manage NCDs and lead to better outcomes for people with NCDs such as diabetes.

EUDF representation at EASD Annual Meeting in Madrid

Looking back at an exciting EASD 2024 Annual Meeting full of science, exchange and commitment of all stakeholders to optimize the outcomes for people with diabetes.

EUDF was present with a booth in the Corporate Village Plaza and has organized several symposia and activities.

The mission of EUDF is to ensure the translation of research into policy actions. We are particularly happy to see an increasing interest from politicians, regulators, representatives of WHO Europe and European Commission project leaders to attend





sessions and mingle with researchers, clinicians and people with diabetes.

The EASD President and EUDF vice-chair Chantal Mathieu referred to the work of EUDF over the past year in her Presidential Address and thanked all EUDF Members and Supporting Collaborators for their continuous collaboration and engagement.

EUDF Session at EASD 2024 in Madrid - 11 September 2024, 14.00 – 16.00 Diabetes Data and Registries: Enabling high quality diabetes care



At the EUDF symposium,
Kamlesh Khunti presented the
recent EUDF
recommendations on data
registries to introduce the
session. Stefano Del Prato
chaired the session on the
different roles registries play
in research and diabetes care

with Juliana Chan sharing best practices from Hong Kong, Katarina Eeg-Olofsson from Sweden, Olga Prof. Dr. Kordonouri from SWEET, and Anette Ziegler from the European Pre-T1D Registry. The insights from the Monday workshop were presented by Robert Heine who also moderated the round table.

Chantal Mathieu chaired the session on the policy perspectives that different stakeholders have on data and registries. Dr Jill Farrington from WHO EURO presented how they plan to measure and monitor progress towards the global diabetes targets, Massimo Massi Benedetti from the EU Commission's Collaborative Health Information European Framework (CHIEF) project gave an update on its activities, the Joint Action JACARDI project initiated by the European Commission was introduced to the diabetes community by the Work Package Leader Héctor Bueno, who presented the objectives of the work package on data availability, quality, accessibility and sharing.

Finally, Carla Torre provided the European regulator's perspective on data registries and RWE for regulatory decision-making and how these registries can complement insights

from randomized clinical trials.

Watch session recording



Early Detection Policy Forum - 11 September 2024 Organised by EUDF, IDF Europe, PDGN, FEDE, Sanofi

EUDF, in collaboration with the coorganizing partners IDF-Europe, Federación Española de Diabetes, Parliamentarians for Diabetes Global Network and Sanofi, fostered this event to raise awareness on changes needed to ensure access to screening programs for Type 1 diabetes across the world. This event brought together



government representatives, policy makers and key patient associations from across the world, fostering a rich conversation on how to join forces and innovate the field of T1D detection and management. EUDF fully supported this initiative as was represented by different members: Pinar Topsever (PCDE), Sufyan Hussain & Tadej Battelino (IDF Europe), Chantal Mathieu (EASD) and Bart Torbeyns (EUDF).



While screening initiatives countries are gaining momentum, without a coordinated approach and the policy infrastructure to support it, healthcare local systems cannot the standardization support and scaling of such practices within clinical care. EU policies must support unified action by Member States, including awareness campaigns around the

importance of an early T1D diagnosis, as well as timely access to innovative therapies to all at risk of and living with T1D.

Read the call to action
Watch the video

EUDF Spotlight Session at EASD 2024 - 12 September 2024, 14.00 – 14.45 Al-Driven Clinical Decision Support Systems: Potential, concerns and what should it bring to people living with diabetes?



In this session, the potential and concerns of AI driven clinical decision support systems were discussed by Stefano Del Prato, Peter Schwarz and Alfonso Galderisi. The consensus statements of the EUDF working group were presented. Alfonso Galderisi highlighted the potential of AI

in diabetes management and Peter Schwarz presented some existing AI implementations such as Mebix in Germany and Doctors AI in India, as a model how to use AI in the hands of healthcare professionals to improve diabetes care.

Main messages of the session were:

- Al driven clinical decision support systems should facilitate patient-centered care and empower healthcare professionals.
- Al requires robust regulation and privacy safeguards, data standards and sharing, optimal clinical data capture.

Watch session recording

The EUDF recommendations on AI driven clinical decision support systems will be published soon.



Why tackling chronic disease is a priority for Europe Restating the case for investing in health 27 September 2024, 10:30-11:45 European Health Forum Gastein

As Europe faces demographic, economic, and geopolitical challenges, making it difficult to increase health budgets, the time for making the case for health as an investment has never been more pressing. In light of continued cost pressure on health systems of an ageing population, the



panel discussed the societal and economic burden of chronic diseases in Europe and the importance of investing in prevention and improving the efficiency of care.

Chronic diseases account for 80% of the EU's disease burden, threatening the sustainability of our health systems. According to OECD, an additional 1.4% of GDP spending on health could bolster health system resilience. However, health expenditure in 2022, excluding spending on COVID-19, was below 2019 levels. Will adopting a social or public value-based approach strengthen investment decision making for a more sustainable healthcare system?

The panel fostered an interactive exchange on a robust ethical and economic case for innovative health budgeting, emphasizing the return on investment in healthcare.



Pedro Facon and Stefan Eichwalder proposed to start investing better by creating a shared vision and defining goals. Implementing this is best done by creating care pathways with a multidisciplinary team. The Belgian care pathways for diabetes were given as best practice. Julia Mader, representing EASD and EUDF, proposed to invest in diabetes care

upfront to save in the future while referring to the benefit of investing in health literacy, early detection, early treatment to avoid the huge costs of diabetes-related complications. The EU should invest in European data registries to substantiate the need for investment and better care. In the final conclusions, Nathalie Moll called for an EU NCD plan to optimize outcomes for people with NCDs and keep our societies and economies healthy

Recording

Unlocking Access: Accelerating Digitally Enabled Care for Type 2 Diabetes 12 November 2024, 14.00-15.00 CET



MedTech Europe and EUDF organised and engaging webinar on digitally enabled care and diabetes management: Unlocking Access, Accelerating Digitally Enabled Care for Type 2 Diabetes.

This event explored the potential of digital

technologies, devices and solutions in managing type 2 diabetes, and the many barriers that remain for millions of people in Europe to access them. The event marked the publication of MedTech Europe's research paper, which dives into these issues and outlines solutions to move ahead towards better diabetes care for all.

unlocking-access-to-digitallyenabled-diabetes-care 2024.pdf

Unlocking access to digitally enabled Diabetes care: the case for a better type 2 Diabetes ecosystem in Europe - MedTech Europe

Programme and speakers



Dr András Kulja, Member of the European Parliament



Prof. Tadej Battelino, Chair-elect of the IDF Europe



Slobodan Radumilo, Chair of the Diabetes Sector Group of MedTech Europe



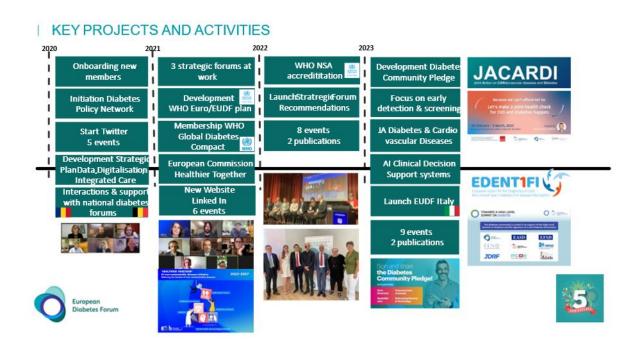
Prof. Stefano Del Prato
Chair of the European
Diabetes Forum

5 year celebration EUDF: the past, the present and the future 12 September 2024, 18.00-20.00



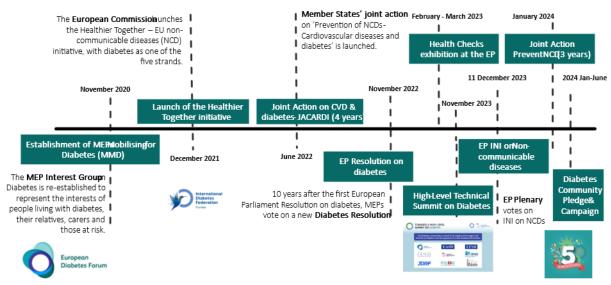
EUDF celebrated it's 5 year of activity with a networking reception and overview of how it all started by Juleen Zierath, the initial years by Chantal Mathieu, the current roadmap and projects by Stefano Del Prato and next steps by Bart Torbeyns.





The final word was for Bastian Hauck who reflected on the early days and called for an ongoing collaboration with all diabetes stakeholders for the benefit of people living with diabetes.

KEY POLICY MILESTONES AND ACHIEVEMENTS



The session was concluded with thanking all EUDF Members, Breakthrough T1D, EASD, EFSD, FEND, IDF-Europe, ISPAD, PCDE, SFD and Supporting Collaborators EFPIA & MedTech Europe for their support and commitment to the work and activities of EUDF.

KEY PEOPLE, MEMBERS AND SUPPORTING COLLABORATORS



From conclusions to action: why Europe needs a comprehensive EU action plan to address the growing burden of cardio, renal and metabolic diseases.

4 December 2024, 9.15-10.15

At the European Health Summit 2024, we discussed with Ingeborg ter Laak (Member of the European Parliament),



Csaba Kontor (Hungarian Health Attaché), Ivan Blanarik (Head of Europe & Canada Boehringer Ingelheim) and Bart Torbeyns (Executive Director of European Diabetes Forum) and Mariam Zaidi (EU Health Correspondent) why Europe needs a comprehensive EU action plan to address the growing burden of cardiovascular disease, diabetes, obesity and chronic kidney disease.

Non-communicable diseases represent around 80% of overall healthcare spending and lead to the premature deaths of over 500,000 people of working age in the EU every year. All of these diseases are interconnected and have overlapping risk factors. We need to invest in a dual track, one on prevention and one on care. EUDF proposed the four pillars of the diabetes community plan:

- 1. Early detection Ensure timely diagnosis and alert people at risk
- 2. Equitable high-quality care Provide the right treatment for the right person at the right time. Well-designed integrated care pathways that engage and involve people from diagnosis are crucial.
- 3. Empowering people Address the lack of awareness and understanding about these NCDs. Empower people to manage their disease and flourish as fully productive and participating members of society.
- 4. Embracing science & technology Harness their untapped potential to deliver effective and tailored care for diagnosed people and those at risk.

Furthermore, we discussed the need to improve data collection and to better use data to optimize care, research and policymaking.





INGEBORG TER LAAK Member of the European Parliament



IVAN BLANARIK Head of Europe & Canada, Boehringer Ingelheim



CSABA KONTOR Hungarian Health Attaché



BART TORBEYNS Executive Director, European Diabetes Forum



MARIAM ZAIDI EU Health Correspondent

Type 1 Diabetes can be fast, but we can be faster: a call to boost early detection – 12 December 2024, 11.00-13.00



It was a great pleasure to bring Type 1 Diabetes to the European Parliament today and to talk with MEPs Salvatore De Meo, Tomislav Sokol, Alessandra Moretti and Antonio Decaro about the importance of early detection of Type 1 Diabetes.



We learned from Italian experts Valentino Cherubini, Raffaella Buzzetti, Flavia Pricci, Olimpia Vincentini, Nicola Zeni and Vice-President of the Italian Chamber of Deputies Giorgio Mulé how the Italian law on paediatric

screening triggered multiple actions and screening pilots in Italy.

Europe should seize the momentum that was created in Italy. Experts Chantal Mathieu, Carmen Hurtado, Alessandro Sorrentino, Joao Raposo, Marika Kase discussed the need for coordination and collaboration to pave the way to arresting type 1 diabetes.

The mission of EDENT1FI is to detect Type 1 Diabetes in children early and provide ongoing support and education to families facing this challenge.

Last but not least, Jurgen Vercauteren, project leader of EDENT1FI and member of the Patient Advisory Committee, gave a personal testimony on the importance of screening and closed the session with a call to action: screening for type 1 diabetes should be a nobrainer, let's do it.



This event was organized by Esperia Advocacy, Angelo Ficarra and his team, European Diabetes Forum (EUDF) and EDENT1FI.

Thanks to this multi-stakeholder panel for the productive discussion and for building a better future for people living with type 1 diabetes.



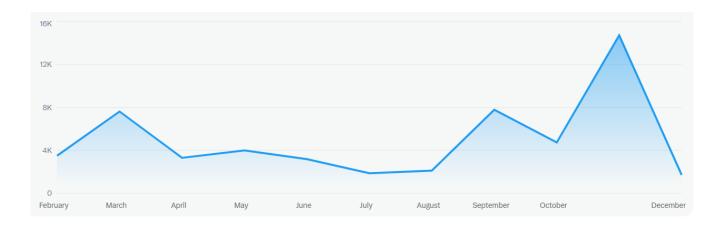
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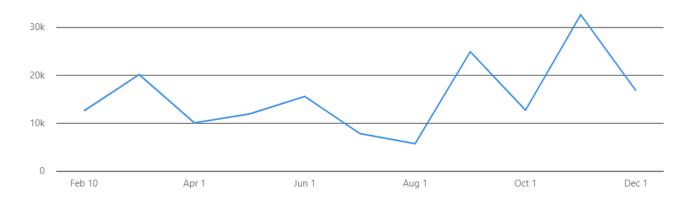
Social media

Coordinated by the Executive Director, the social media presence of the organization further grew with the valuable input of the EASD communications team who supported the implementation of successful social media engagement efforts, related to our external activities and work in the Strategic Forums. In preparation of our symposia and webinars, the communication and promotion of the programs played a huge role in the increase of our social media presence. We increased the volume of social media activities due to the approaching symposia, growing Membership and progress in the work at the Strategic Forums, this resulted in a social media growth.

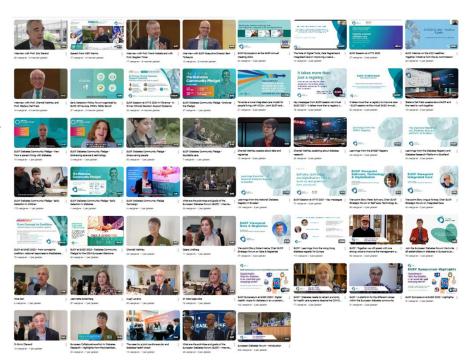
Twitter - On Twitter there were 55.100 tweet impressions and EUDF gained 222 new followers, reaching 2100 followers in total. Tweets Impressions:



LinkedIn – EUDF gained 1624 new followers over the year 2024 and has now 3900 followers. LinkedIn Impressions:



YouTube – a dedicated YouTube channel was created to upload testimonials, best practices and highlights of webinars and conferences. In total there are 2488 impressions. The YouTube portfolio was further extended with new videos and linked to the EUDF website:



WDD Campaign:



Election Campaign:





2-Early detection (Type 2)



3-Early detection (children)







⊙ 6-Embracing Science & Technology





⊗ 8-View of a patient

NCDA Campaign:

GLOBAL WEEK FOR ACTION ON NCDs #LeadOnNCDs #Acton Together We speak with Prove DIAR of CARE PROVE DIAR OF CARE

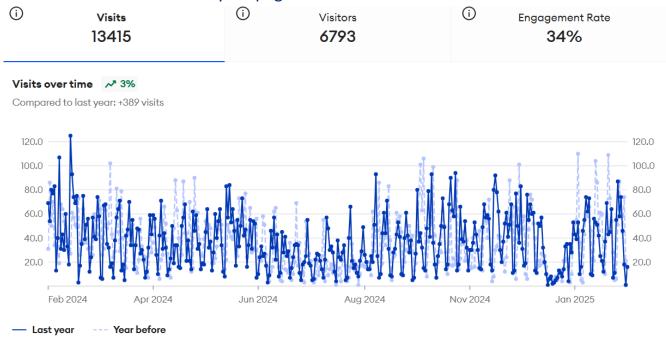
We need all hands on deck! From governments and civil society to the private sector and academia, leaders have to foster integrated action and break down siloes to turn the tide on NCDs for everyone everywhere.



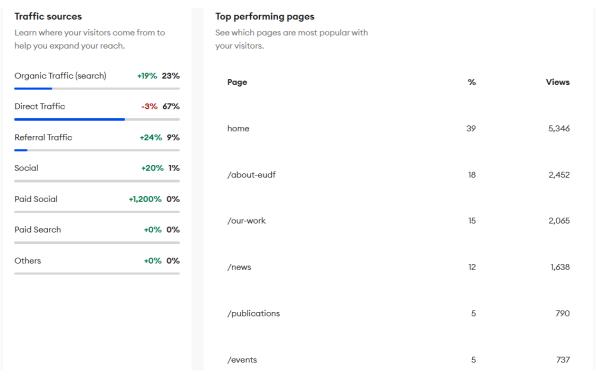


Website

The website was frequently updated in 2024 with visuals and audio visuals following the activities of the Forum. Analytics page views:



Visits: How many times the site was visited, includes repeat visits
Visitors: How many unique, individual visitors arrived at the site
Engagement Rate: Percentage of visitors who clicked on more than one page on the site



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Stefano Del Prato and Bart Torbeyns from the European Diabetes Forum (EUDF) outline the major challenges in preventing and managing diabetes, and the actions policymakers and health systems can take to address them

The year to take European action on diabetes to the next level - https://doi.org/10.1007/s00125-024-06166-9

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6. Partners in our vision

EUDF has been created to bring together multiple stakeholders from across the diabetes landscape in Europe. EUDF has 3 pharmaceutical companies and 9 medical technology companies as Supporting Collaborators, they joined EUDF under the umbrella of the EFPIA Diabetes Platform and the MedTech Diabetes Sector Group.



It's important to highlight that all partners, including the industry partners, are at all moments at the table to discuss the governance, ambition, strategy and the workplan.

7. Get involved

We invite all stakeholders in the European diabetes landscape to join EUDF. Together we will speak with one strong voice to improve diabetes care and make policy makers aware of the urgent and problematic diabetes situation in Europe.

The EUDF is a forum for discussion with all relevant diabetes stakeholders, and for partnership together to achieve explicitly agreed outcomes. Much can be accomplished with a united voice and concerted action.

There is no single way we will achieve our vision to enable healthcare systems to cope with the diabetes pandemic, while achieving the best possible outcomes. And there is no way we can achieve our mission alone. Here are the ways you can be part of our journey.

Full and Associate Membership for non-profit legal entities

As a Full or Associate Member you will have un paralleled access to EUDF and its community of people with diabetes, payers, policy makers, industry Supporting Collaborators and clinicians. The collaboration allows Full and Associate Members to engage in discussion on collaborative projects, and enables Members, with a united voice, to influence the diabetes policies in Europe.

Partnership with Supporting Collaborators

As a Supportive Collaborator you will have unparalleled access to EUDF and its community of people with diabetes, payers, policy makers and clinicians. The collaboration allows companies to engage in discussion on collaborative projects, and enables companies, with a united voice, to influence the diabetes policies in Europe.

For more information on Full and Associate Membership for non-profit legal entities or our <u>partnership</u> with Supporting Collaborators contact info@eudf.org

8. How we're run

How we're organized and governed

EUDF was co-founded in 2019 by the EASD, EFSD, FEND and Breakthrough T1D. EUDF is an international non-profit association and is constituted for an indefinite period under the provisions of Book 10 and any other provisions applicable to international non-profit associations of the companies and associations Code of March 23, 2019. EUDF became a formal non-profit legal entity in March 2020 and in the meantime, Primary Care Diabetes Europe (PCDE), SFD (Société Francophone du Diabète), the International Diabetes Federation Europe (IDF Europe) and the International Society for Pediatric and Adolescent Diabetes (ISPAD) joined EUDF as Full Members. EUDF has pharma and medical technology companies as Supporting Collaborators, they joined EUDF under the umbrella of the EFPIA Diabetes Platform and the MedTech Diabetes Working Group.

EUDF Board of Directors

The **EUDF** Board has collective responsibility for everything we do and is responsible for:

- Our overall strategic direction, including evaluating progress against our strategic plans
- Ensuring our financial stability
- Acting in the best interests of our organization
- Ensuring that we comply with our governing documents, and any other relevant legislation

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We currently have 8 Board Members (Sufyan Hussain replaced Niti Pall) with a broad range of skills, expertise and experience. Some are living with diabetes or caring for someone with diabetes, and some are healthcare professionals. All of our Board Members support and work with us on a voluntary basis.

Board meetings

The 2024 Board Meetings took place as follows:

- Board Meeting 1 January 24
- Board Meeting 2 May 22
- Board Meeting 3 September 4
- Board Meeting 4 November 13

General Assembly meetings

The 2024 General Assembly Meetings took place as follows:

- General Assembly Meeting 1 June 12
- General Assembly Meeting 2 October 6
- General Assembly Meeting 3 November 28

Forum meetings

The 2024 General Assembly Meetings took place as follows:

- Forum Meeting 1 February 8
- Forum Meeting 2 April 18
- Forum Meeting 3 June 12
- Forum Meeting 4 September 12
- Forum Meeting 5 December 5

Diabetes Policy Network Meeting

The Diabetes Policy Network Meetings took place as follows:

- Policy Network Meeting 1 January 10
- Policy Network Meeting 2 March 13
- Policy Network Meeting 3 June 20
- Policy Network Meeting 4 July 5
- Policy Network Meeting 5 November 27

How we organize our work

The Board delegates responsibility for operational management to our Executive Director.

Executive Office



Bart Torbeyns
Executive Director





















