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# Official launch of the Network

## Final conference

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# Creation of the Network

- The **Hospital Network for Care Across Borders** in Europe was created in 2012 as part of the HoNCAB project which aims at supporting the creation of pilot network of hospitals related to payment of care for cross-border patients.
- This Network of Hospitals has been founded by **9 hospitals from 5 European countries** and by the European Hospital and Healthcare Federation.
- The Network aims at bringing together hospitals interested in the issue of cross-border healthcare and allowing the participating members to share their practical experience of the opportunities and critical issues of cross-border care, as well as possible solutions.
- Having been developed with the objective to continue its activities after the end of the project, the HoNCAB Network integrates the characteristic of a formal network, which are outlined in the new ***HoNCAB Network Protocol***.



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# Objectives of the Network

- To **exchange good practices** on the management of cross-border healthcare, problems identified and possible solutions
- To **access and contribute to the creation of updated and not easily available information on cross-border healthcare**, in order to address the issue of limited data on patients' flow and determinants of patients' mobility.



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# Core values of the Network

- ✓ The respect of EU health systems common values identified in the 2006 Council conclusions on “Common values and principles in EU health system”:
  - Universal access to healthcare;
  - Access to good quality care;
  - Equity;
  - Solidarity.
- ✓ The respect of the main values for a successful cooperation between partners: professionalism, trust, respect, impartiality and transparency;
- ✓ The preservation of the confidentiality of any document, information or other material directly related to the subject of the Network that is classified as confidential, if disclosure could prejudice the members of the Network;
- ✓ The respect of patients’ informed consent, privacy and choices;
- ✓ The commitment to the improvement of the quality of services.



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# Members of the Network

- The Network is currently composed of **15 hospitals, from 7 European countries.**

	Hospital	City	Country
1	KABEG Landeskrankenhaus Villach	Villach	Austria
2	Centre Hospitalier Universitaire de Grenoble	Grenoble	France
3	Centre Hospitalier Universitaire de Nice	Nice	France
4	Hospices Civils de Lyon	Lyon	France
5	General Hospital of Rhodes	Rhodes	Greece
6	Pándy Kálmán Hospital of Békés	Gyula	Hungary
7	St John's Hospital	Budapest	Hungary
8	Azienda Ospedaliera Ordine Mauriziano	Torino	Italy
9	Azienda Ospedaliera Universitaria Integrata	Verona	Italy
10	Azienda Ospedaliero-Universitaria "Santa Maria della Misericordia"	Udine	Italy
11	ASST Papa Giovanni XXIII	Bergamo	Italy
12	Ospedale Civile "Beata Vergine delle Grazie" di Latisana	Latisana	Italy
13	Azienda Ospedaliero-Universitaria Ospedali Riuniti	Trieste	Italy
14	Mater Dei Hospital	Msida	Malta
15	Splošna bolnišnica Izola	Izola	Slovenia

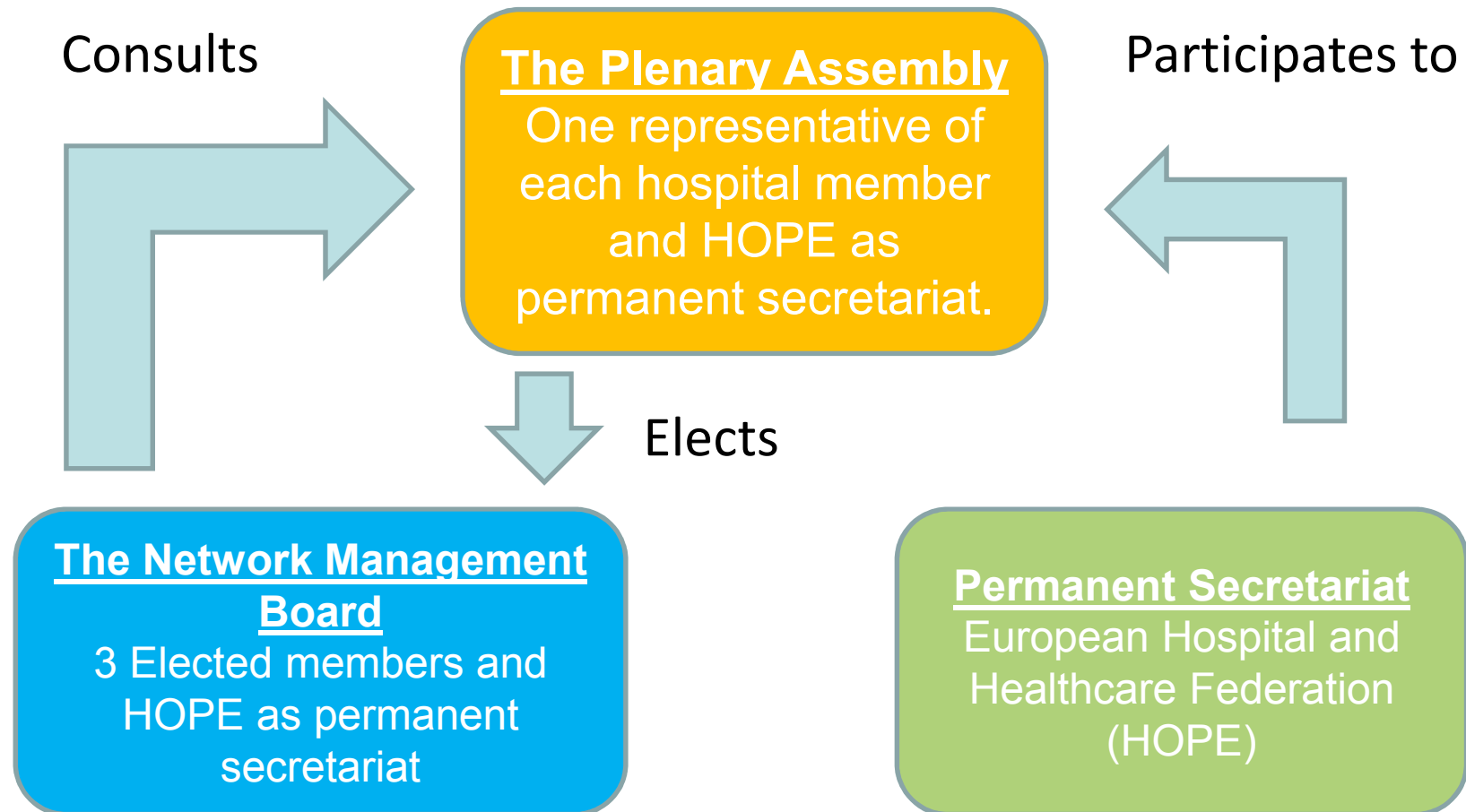


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# The three organs of the Network



# The Network Plenary Assembly

Has the power to elect the three members of the Network Management Board.

Can be consulted by the Network Management Board upon all questions relevant for the mission and the objectives of the Network of hospitals.



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# The Network Management Board

**Guarantee** that the **core values** of the Network are respected.

**Admit new members** in the Network.

When necessary, following due process, **suspend/expel Network members**, if they fail to respect the Core values of the network.

**Modify the Network protocol.**

**Decide upon the type of financing** of the Network.



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# The Permanent Secretariat

**Liaise** with the members of the Network to prepare meetings agendas.

**Coordinate** the circulation of relevant documents ahead of meetings.

**Draft and keep** a register of minutes.

**Collect application forms** from new candidate members.

**Disseminate information** to the external public about the HoNCAB Network and its activities.



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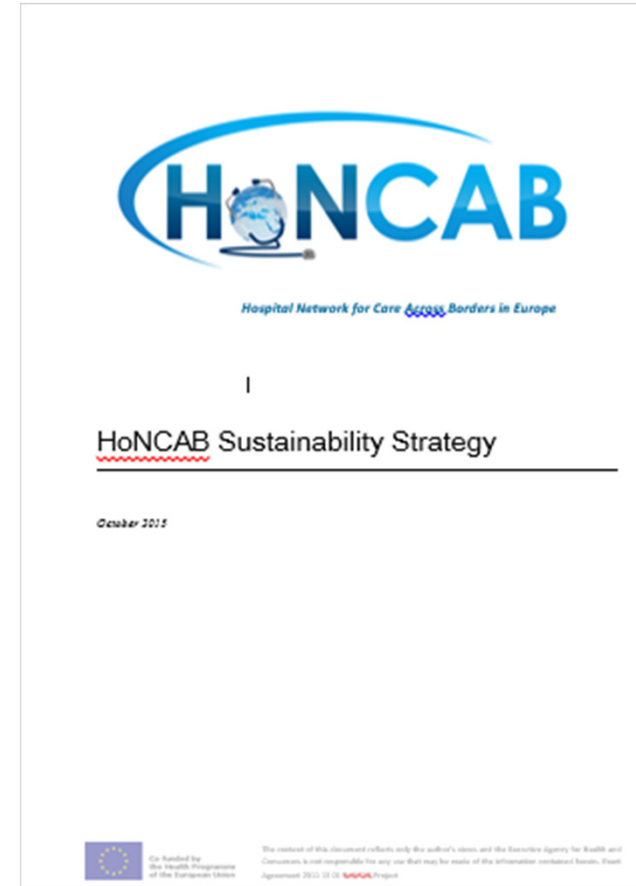
# Communication

- For the continuous communication among members, the Network will use various means of communication and information sharing :



# The need of implementing a Sustainability Strategy

- Collaboration among hospitals with the aim to **share good practices and to tackle arising issues remains today crucial.**
- Such continuing cooperation will enable hospitals:
  - to better prepare and tailor services according to the needs of cross-border patients.
  - to adapt their activity to a future growing demand for cross-border healthcare services.

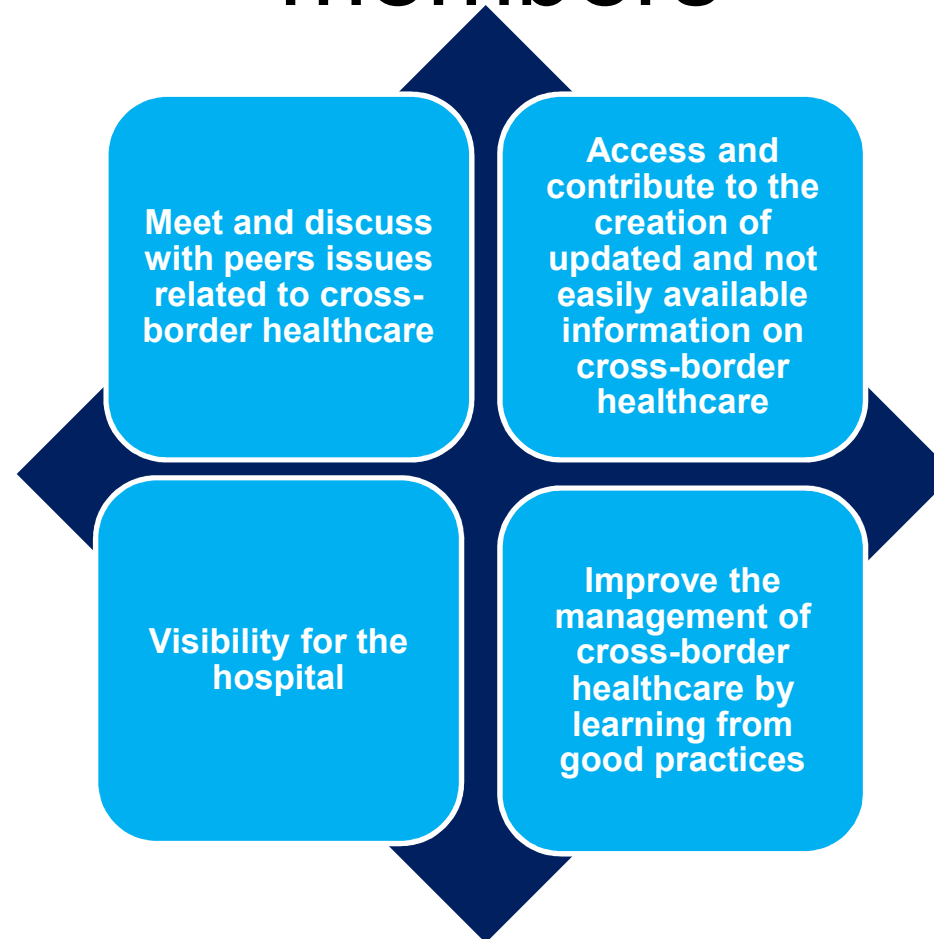


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# Benefits for the Network's members



# Future activities of the Network's members

- **Continue the data collection** made through the **Web-based application** and management of the collected information
- **Periodic reviews of the Good practice Guide**
- **Share of information** regarding patients' satisfaction on the basis of the **collaboration with the National Contact Points** and other relevant stakeholders
- **Continue the dissemination** to raise awareness on the existence and activities of the network, and attract new members.



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## Good practices guide

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To implement good practices regarding cross-border patients' care

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# Funding

- In the short term period (2016) the activities described above will be maintained thanks to the **partners' own contribution**. The idea is to keep the existing tools designed within the HoNCAB project.
- During this timeframe, members will also start looking into the possibility to apply for **public funding** which can sustain the continuation of the activities on the medium term period.



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# How to join the Network?

- Fill in an application form
- Sign a letter of commitment
- Send these documents to the Secretariat of the Network (HOPE)

More information about how to join and the application documents are available in the **Protocol of the Network**:

<http://honcab.eu/network-of-hospitals/>



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To get more information about the Network, please consult the HoNCAB website at the following link :

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**Thank you for you attention !**



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