# 2020 Annual Review





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### FOREWORD



John Bowis Co-President, HIV Outcomes

### HIV is now a long-term condition. More and more people living with HIV are currently on anti-retroviral therapies and virally suppressed.

However, as people living with HIV live longer lives, they come to face different challenges. Multiple co-morbidities, stigma and discrimination, as well as the psychological burden of living with a chronic and life-changing condition, are all part of the daily challenges that people living and growing old with HIV are faced up against. These challenges significantly impact their wellbeing and overall quality of life.



As HIV mortality rates decrease and innovative therapies continuously push clinical outcomes towards new successes, we need to aim higher: it is not enough that people with HIV are alive, they should also be living well. We must look beyond viral suppression and set new standards and targets for the global HIV response. Good quality of life for all people living with HIV must become the new target.

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Last year HIV Outcomes launched a Call to Action urging European policymakers to take concrete actions to ensure that long-term health outcomes and the quality of life of people living with HIV are high on the political agenda.

This year we engaged with actors at European and global level to ensure this pledge is upheld.

While governments and people worldwide, especially the most vulnerable population groups – including people living with HIV – have been hit hard by the COVID-19 pandemic, the crisis has also re-set priorities in policymaking and has hopefully paved the way for a more robust political commitment to better health and wellbeing for all. This is both an opportunity and a challenge for the HIV community.

COVID-19 must not let the fight against HIV slip off the list of priorities. However, the pandemic has also brought previously overlooked issues under the spotlight. These include mental health issues as well as the vital importance of having resilient and integrated healthcare systems that leave no one behind, including vulnerable and marginalised population groups. We have strived to build on the lessons learned from the COVID-19 experience to emphasise the need for a holistic and person-centric approach to HIV care and all chronic conditions.

This is a crucial time for the fight against the HIV epidemic and we are committed to making a difference to ensure the rights of people living with HIV are not forgotten and they can enjoy better quality of life in the future

## FOREWORD



Dr. Jane Anderson Consultant physician in HIV medicine, Homerton University Hospital NHS Foundation Trust, United Kingdom



### With only 10 years left to achieve the United Nations' Sustainable Development Goals, which include ending the AIDS epidemic by 2030, the HIV response needs to undergo a paradigm shift.

While people with HIV now live longer and healthier lives, co-morbidities, poor mental health as well as stigma and discrimination still prevent them from fully benefiting from the historic breakthroughs in treatment and care. Viral suppression remains an essential goal, as well as reaching the target of ending HIV by 2030.

We believe that the goal of good health-related quality of life for all people living with HIV should be given greater importance in the UNAIDS 90-90-90 targets and the new targets expected in the forthcoming UNAIDS strategy.



We want to celebrate the progress we made in 2020 in advancing towards this target. The development of the new UNAIDS Global AIDS Strategy beyond 2021 has given us the opportunity

Nikos Dedes President Positive Voice, Greece



**Dr. Jeffrey Lazarus** Head of Health Systems Research Group at ISGLOBAL, Spain

to partner with key stakeholders active at European and global level across the HIV community and beyond, to discuss what priorities should be included in the new global strategy.

We have garnered extensive support for the need to make an explicit commitment to improve the health-related quality of life of people living with HIV in the new UNAIDS global strategy. We believe that a formal commitment will have a major impact on the design, development and management of care for people living with HIV, encouraging policy makers to develop an integrated, patient-centred, rights-based and holistic approach to HIV care.

Progress still needs to be made to make sure such a commitment is made and actions are taken to follow up on it. But we believe that, with the collaboration between all actors involved in the fight against HIV, change can happen. Civil society has always played a crucial role in driving change in the global HIV response. It is essential that patients and communities are actively involved in the development of HIV strategies, to make sure their concerns are heard and their needs are met.

As a multi-stakeholder initiative, we are determined to bridge the gap between the different communities active in the HIV space, to make sure all voices are heard and we leave no one behind. 66 Our vision is a world in which people living with HIV enjoy good long-term health outcomes and quality of life. 99

## WHO WE ARE

While important progress has been made in the global response to HIV/AIDS in Europe, the WHO European region – and in particular Eastern Europe – now has the fastest growing HIV epidemic globally. At the same time, people living with HIV are living longer, which has created new challenges relating to the prevention, treatment, and management of comorbidities (co-existing medical conditions) as well as health-related quality of life.

HIV Outcomes began its journey in 2016 by bringing together patient organisations, medical professionals, academics, public institutions and the private sector to align on a new policy and clinical agenda to address the crucial unmet needs of people living with HIV - to ensure that they can live longer in good health and participate fully into society.

HIV Outcomes reflects a widespread recognition among experts that important issues of health and social inclusion of people living with HIV receive insufficient attention from policy makers and healthcare providers. The initiative aims to make these elements central to the overall HIV response, complementing existing work in prevention, diagnosis, treatment and care with sustainable solutions to meet the specific long-term needs of people living with HIV.

In an era when ageing populations and health system sustainability are central challenges for all European countries, HIV Outcomes also aims to promote innovative approaches to improve long-term health and guality of care in a sustainable manner, whilst ensuring patient-centred healthcare delivery. Governments and health systems must respond to the fact that people are living longer and ensure that they remain in good health as they grow older and can lead successful, productive and rewarding lives.





Society (EACS)

### **HOW WE WORK**

#### DEVELOP



A credible narrative to raise awareness about the need to ensure good long-term health outcomes and quality of life for people living with HIV.

#### **ENGAGE**



With policymakers and healthcare providers to make today's health and social inclusion issues central to the overall HIV response.

### SHARE



Evidence-based good practices and innovative approaches to long-term HIV care across Europe.

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### IMPLEMENT



Evidence-based policies and clinical changes at country-level across Europe.

# **OUR MEMBERS**



#### **CO-PRESIDENT**

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#### **STEERING GROUP**



### **GENERAL MEMBERS**



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OUR 2020 WORK PLAN

### OUR OBJECTIVES FOR 2020

In 2019 we launched a Call to Action urging policymakers to take concrete measures to ensure that the long-term health outcomes and health-related quality of life of people living with HIV are high on the political agenda. Our goal in 2020 has been to engage with players at European and global level to ensure this pledge is upheld.

We have focused our efforts on raising awareness and building consensus on the need to holistically address all the challenges that people with HIV still face, including mental health issues, stigma, discrimination as well as all the issues related to managing HIV co-morbidities and other health conditions while growing old with HIV.

COVID-19 has partially forced us to revisit our work plan. However, the pandemic has

also given us the opportunity to upscale our advocacy and launch a fruitful debate around long-neglected themes. We have discussed the importance of mental health and personcentric care as well as the importance of having resilient and integrated healthcare systems in light of the lessons learnt from the COVID-19 crisis.



### OUR 2020 WORK PLAN



Advocate at European level to keep HIV on the policy agenda and encourage actions to improve the long-term outcomes and healthrelated quality of life of people living with HIV, focusing on themes such as ageing, mental health and co-morbidities. Increase global level engagement to advocate for the next phase of the HIV response.



Explore the development of a consensus around the definition and measurement of the notion of health-related quality of life.



Collect and disseminate learnings and good practices, including on HIV-related conditions.

# WHAT WE ACHIEVED IN 2020





### UNAIDS COOPERATION

**CONTINUING TO BUILD CONSENSUS** ON THE NEED TO LOOK BEYOND VIRAL SUPPRESSION



A focus group discussion organised by HIVOutcomes alongside UNAIDS to help guide the next #globalAIDSstrategy



### Survey on New Global AIDS Strategy beyond 2021



### **Focus Group Discussion**

With only 10 years left to achieve the UN Sustainable Development Goal of ending the AIDS epidemic by 2030, the HIV response needs to undergo a paradigm shift. We need to formalise a commitment to look beyond viral suppression and bio-medical interventions and look at the broader quality of life and health outcomes of people living with HIV. This means expanding our focus to the management of co-morbidities as well as to the social and psychological repercussions of HIV on people and various communities. The new UNAIDS Global AIDS Strategy beyond 2020 is the opportunity we were waiting for to make these changes happen.

We contributed to the survey prepared by UNAIDS in view of the New Global AIDS Strategy beyond 2021, with the aim to identify what is needed to end AIDS as a public health threat by 2030. We flagged the need to prioritise the quality of life of all people living with HIV and highlighted the importance of going beyond viral suppression.

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We partnered with UNAIDS to host a Focus Group Discussion with key stakeholders to discuss what priorities should be included in the new Strategy. The need to formalise a commitment to look beyond viral suppression and biomedical interventions was emphasised throughout the Focus Group Discussion and participants aligned on the need to extend the scope of the new Global Strategy to matters relating to the broader quality of life and health outcomes of people living with HIV.

### THE FOCUS GROUP DISCUSSION IDENTIFIED SIX RECOMMENDATIONS FOR ACTION TO BE CONSIDERED IN THE NEW STRATEGY:



Formalise the commitment to prioritising health-related quality of life, multi-morbidity and discrimination by calling for the establishment of specific metrics, targets and methods.



Take forward this commitment on an equal basis to the 90-90-90 Treatment Target.



Encourage policy makers to develop an integrated, patient-centred, rights-based, multidisciplinary and long-term approach to HIV care.



Determine which metrics and tools are best suitable to measure health-related quality of life in a standardised way, while improving monitoring by increasing reliance on community-gathered data.



Empower the HIV communities to participate in decisionmaking processes by improving government engagement with key populations.

### **OUTCOMES**

The Focus Group Discussion (FGD) gathered over 20 organisations active in the fight against HIV and representing key communities and populations in Europe and beyond. The FGD – and the survey – were part of the process launched by UNAIDS to gather input on the upcoming new Global AIDS Strategy beyond 2021. The output of the survey and of the discussions have fed into the Strategy's revision process.

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#### EVENT: HEP-C Community Summit Lisbon, 2018



### WEBINAR ON 'THE LANCET HIV **SERIES ON HIV OUTCOMES: BEYOND ARAL SUPPRESSION'**



### PUT EXISTING BARRIERS TO HEALTH-**RELATED QUALITY OF LIFE UNDER** THE SPOTLIGHT

### **OUTCOMES**

The Series contributed to raise awareness on the existing barriers to good health-related quality of life for people living with HIV and contributed to gather consensus around the need to go beyond the viral suppression paradigm.

### The HIV Outcomes webinar

On 15 June we organised a webinar on the European Commission Health Policy Platform to discuss the key learnings from 'The Lancet HIV series on HIV Outcomes: Beyond Viral Suppression', and explore possible solutions to address the emerging challenges:

- the general population.
- strategies.

### The Lancet HIV Series on **HIV Outcomes: Beyond Viral Suppression**

In the era of modern antiretroviral therapy people living with HIV can expect to live a normal lifespan. However substantial barriers to accessing non-HIV related care still exist and impact the wellbeing of this population. Current targets for the HIV response focus on testing, treatment and viral suppression. However, many factors come into play to determine the health-related quality of life of people living with HIV. The Series put the spotlight on person-centred HIV care, tackling stigma and reorienting services for a 'beyond viral suppression' paradigm shift.

'The Lancet HIV series on HIV Outcomes: Beyond Viral Suppression' were led by HIV Outcomes Co-Chairs Prof. Jeffrey V Lazarus and Prof. Jane Anderson. The series argue that, with HIV becoming a chronic disease, health systems are largely unprepared to meet the needs of growing numbers of ageing people living with HIV.

Despite living longer lives, the overall quality of life of people living with HIV does not match that of the rest of the population. People living with HIV still face significant stigma and discrimination, and are burdened by comorbidities and a higher rate of mental health issues.

- Health system integration to promote a holistic approach to HIV care.
- HIV-related discrimination reduction within healthcare systems and among
- The extension of the global UNAIDS 90-90-90 targets to include a "fourth 90" to track progress on health-related guality of care.
- New roles for civil society and the involvement of people with HIV in the development of patient reported outcomes and of stigma reduction



### WORLD AIDS DAY

Good mental health is essential to quality of life and people living with HIV face significant mental health challenges. On World AIDS Day 2020, we convened a high-level conference on 'Delivering Good Mental Health for People Living with HIV', to raise awareness on these challenges and the impact they have on the long-term health outcomes and quality of life of people living with HIV.



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WITH HIV' INCREASE AWARENESS THAT MENTAL HEALTH IS KEY TO LIVING WELL WITH HIV

**HIGH-LEVEL** 

**CONFERENCE ON** 

**MENTAL HEALTH** 

**'DELIVERING GOOD** 

FOR PEOPLE LIVING

"Mental health and HIV are inherently linked. We need to understand HIV's impact on people's health and wellbeing while considering their mental health burden"

Sara Cerdas, Member of the European Parliament. S&D,





### 1 December 2020 – World AIDS Day

The event saw policymakers, patient representatives, clinicians and public health experts discuss what policy actions can be taken at European and national level to ensure that the often 'invisible' needs of people living with HIV, such as their mental health and long-term wellbeing, are adequately



### WORLD AIDS DAY 1 DECEMBER 2020



Mental health and physical health are intertwined. Integrating mental health services into HIV care is essential to improving the overall well-being and quality of life of people living with HIV.

However, access to services varies significantly across Europe. Healthcare professionals are not always trained to detect and treat depression and anxiety, while the double stigma of living with HIV and suffering from poor mental health adds to the struggle of many people living with HIV all over Europe.

The mental health burden on people living with HIV has now been exacerbated during the COVID-19 crisis, which disrupted services delivery and exposed weaknesses and inequalities in health systems.



#### INTEGRATION OF CARE

DIGITALISATION

COVID-19

EU INITIATIVES

Clear reimbursement and referral pathways should be developed to improve coordination of care and ensure a seamless and holistic system of HIV services.

Better use of digital health tools and data insights can help to ensure services meet the needs of the HIV community.

While rising challenges, the COVID-19 experience has given lessons to be learned on how to build more resilient systems that truly leave no one behind.

The new €5.1 billion EU4Health programme has the potential to support the mental health needs of people living with HIV.



### FOR PEOPLE LIVING WITH HIV

World AIDS Day I 1 December 2020 I 10.00 - 12.30 CET

Rethinking European health systems to improve the quality of life of people living with HIV



### Outcome

- · The event benefited from the participation of several high-level speakers and from cross-party support from Members of the European Parliament.
- Over 130 people attended the event.
- The event generated significant engagement on the HIV Outcomes Twitter and LinkedIn accounts. On the day of the event alone, the HIV Outcomes Twitter account generated over 17,000 organic impressions, 44 retweets, 114 likes and 21 profile visits.



#### INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION

Action on mental health is being driven forward at global level. The WHO sets mental health as a key priority of the European Programme of Work for 2025 and the UNAIDS new Global AIDS Strategy makes explicit reference to the mental health needs of those at risk of HIV and those living with HIV.

- Health Commissioner Kyriakides, the DG SANTE official account. DG SANTE Director Sandra Gallina and several MEPs tweeted or retweeted HIV Outcomes posts.
- · The event also generated significant media impact. The conference was covered in the institutional press releases of the European Commission and of the World Health Organisation Europe Office.
- Health-focused platforms like the Health Policy Platform shared the conference with their networks.



7-8 September 2020

UNITE is a global network of parliamentarians committed to achieving political impact towards ending infectious diseases as a global health threat.

Uniting political voices

UNITE Global Summit Virtual 2020

SEPTEMBER 7 | 8



**Jens Spahn** Federal Minister of Health Germany

**Tedros A. Ghebrevesus** Director-General | World Health Organization



### UNITE **GLOBAL** SUMMIT 2020



**Martin Chungong** Secretary-General | Inter-Parliamentary Union



Donna Shalala Congresswoman | United States



### A GLOBAL POLITICAL COMMITMENT TO SUPPORT THE FIGHT AGAINST HIV/AIDS AS PART OF THE UN SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS

The COVID-19 pandemic has been a game-changer. Amid disruptions in the provision of healthcare services, the crisis has also opened windows of opportunities to transform the global health order, while reaffirming the role of political leaders as the interface between civil society. The first UNITE Global Summit looked at the lessons learned from the COVID-19 experience and urged governments not to lose sight of the Sustainable Development Goal of ending the global threat of infectious diseases.

The first UNITE Global Summit brought together political leaders and key stakeholders from across the world to reaffirm international co-operation towards this mission. HIV Outcomes and UNITE have had a longstanding collaboration over the years, which culminated with UNITE becoming an observer member of the initiative at the end of 2020.

The key outcome of the UNITE Global Summit is a Statement, co-signed by HIV Outcomes, pledging political support to the fight against infectious disease and calling on governments to take action and not lose sight of the Sustainable Development Goals in the midst and aftermath of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Our Co-Chair Jeffrey Lazarus co-moderated the panel on 'Turning threats into opportunities: Accelerating leadership and applying lessons learned to strengthen the HIV response and to improve responses to current and emerging infectious diseases' organised by the International AIDS Society at the UNITE Global Summit that was held virtually on 7-8 September.

**UNIT**2 Global Summit Virtual 202



### OUTCOME

### What needs to be done to improve the **HIV** response?

 Take a multi-sectoral and personcentred apparoach.

 Eliminate HIV-related stigma and end discriminatory practices and criminalisation of HIV transmission.

 Upscale community-based and peer-led services.

The participation to the Summit contributed to profile HIV Outcomes as a major and reputable player in the HIV space in Europe and beyond.



### **HIV** Outcomes recommendations

- The development of a comprehensive, targeted screening cancer policy for people living with HIV.
- · Focus on quality of life for patients, survivors, and carers for the wider European patient community.
- A post-survival plan to address the specific issues faced by an ageing population living with chronic diseases such as HIV.
- A review of national laws in the EU27 to identify discriminatory rules that affect patients, including those living with cancer and HIV.
- A communication campaign to address misconceptions and prejudices about people living with chronic diseases such as cancer and HIV.
- A wider uptake of digital solutions to enhance the quality of life of all people living with chronic diseases.

#### OUTCOME

HIV Outcomes input contributed to emphasise the importance of an integrated, holistic and multidisciplinary approach to cancer care, which will be one of the main points of focus of the Plan.

**CENTRED CARE** 

### **Europe's Beating Cancer Plan** 4 February 2020

health practitioners.

The European Commission's Europe's Beating Cancer Plan is a major initiative in the Commission's work plan for the current legislative term. The aim of the Plan is to set out actions to support, coordinate or supplement Member States' efforts at every stage of the disease, including prevention, early detection and screening, treatment and care, and the quality of life of patients, survivors and carers.

On 4 February 2020, the European Commission launched a public consultation to gather input from all stakeholders on the roadmap for the Plan, to feed into the final Commission document. We provided input to the consultation, emphasising the need to focus on long-term outcomes and overall quality of life of people living with both HIV and cancer.



### EU POLICY SHAPING ON HIV **CO-MORBIDITIES, AGEING AND INTEGRATED AND PERSON-**

Cancer is a common co-morbidity for people living with HIV, who are more likely than the general population to be diagnosed with cancer. Both HIV and cancer are increasingly becoming chronic conditions that require a holistic, person-centred approach to long-term care. The specific needs of people living with both HIV and cancer should be factored into the upcoming Europe's Beating Cancer Plan to ensure they can benefit from integrated systems of care, which include a multidisciplinary, cross-disease cooperation between



## EU4HEALTH PROGRAMME

### Summer-Autumn 2020

The COVID-19 pandemic has forced the EU to revaluate the role it can play in the Member States healthcare systems responses to new and old cross-border health threats. The new EU4Health programme offers a valuable opportunity to improve coordination and upscale funding in the fight against infectious diseases across the EU.

The EU4Health Programme is an entirely novel instrument presented by the Commission as part of the COVID-19 Recovery Package in June 2020 and putting forward a €5.1 billion budget exclusively dedicated to healthcare. Among others, the programme aims to strengthen national healthcare systems' capacity and interconnectedness, focusing on the digital transformation of healthcare services and improving healthcare systems' response in some critical disease areas.

We advocated with members of the European Parliament (MEPs) to emphasise the importance of addressing the long-term needs of people living with chronic and infectious diseases – such as HIV –and prepared a set of amendments to the Parliament's position on the EU4Health Programme. The three institutions agreed on the final version of the Programme in December.

## The final version included several points we advocated for, in particular:



Address the consequences of health emergencies – such as COVID-19 – on people living with chronic, including HIV.



Securing basic care for people living with chronic conditions during health crises.







Develop new care models to address the challenges of

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Create EU disease specific platforms for the exchange of best practices between Member States.



European Parliament's report on 'The situation of sexual and reproductive health and rights in the EU, in the frame of women's health'



People with HIV and/or other Sexually Transmitted Infections (STIs) are often subject to a significant degree of social stigma and prejudice. This can often prevent them from seeking adequate advice and care, affecting their health outcomes and undermining their sexual and reproductive rights. We tabled amendments to the European Parliament's ongoing report on 'The situation of sexual and reproductive health and rights in the EU, in the frame of women's health'.

Negotiations on the Report among political groups are currently ongoing in the European Parliament and a committee vote on the text is not expected before March 2021.

- Elimination of HIV-related stigma and discrimination to ensure people living with HIV and/or STIs can receive adequate care and enjoy their sexual and reproductive health rights.
- Better health literacy on HIV and other STIs to end discriminative practices and tackle stigma in both social and healthcare settings.
- Integrated systems of care and targeted screening protocols to improve the quality of life and long-term health outcomes of people living with HIV and other STIs.
- Action to address the disruptions in the provision of HIV and STIs services caused by the COVID-19 pandemic.



### European Commission's Green Paper on Ageing

The growing burden of chronic diseases will pose a significant challenge to European healthcare systems in the coming years. The life expectancy of people living with HIV has increased significantly, but ageing with HIV comes at price. People with HIV are more likely to develop additional health conditions and many of these can become fatal. As the global response to HIV is redefined, the focus should be on aligning with the healthy ageing agenda for the general population and on reshaping healthcare systems to address the multiple challenges of growing old with HIV.



The European Commission's Green Paper on Ageing is a non-legislative initiative that aims to launch a debate on the long-term impact of population ageing in Europe and to assess whether European social protection and healthcare systems are fit to deal with the needs of an ageing population. The initiative – which includes a public consultation – is part of a wider pillar of work that aims to support the European Union through its demographic transition.

As part of this work strand, the Commission published a Report on 'The Impact of Demographic Change', to feed into the Green Paper and the wider debate on ageing.

HIV Outcomes submitted its considerations on the Commission's Report on 'The Impact of Demographic Change', to emphasise the specific needs of people ageing with HIV – and chronic conditions more generally – and highlight the need to support the shift to more integrated systems of care, with the ultimate Our advocacy efforts were greatly reflected in the text of the Green Paper on Ageing, which highlights the need to:

- Develop strong long-term care systems to improve access to affordable and quality longterm care
- Support integration of care through close cooperation between professionals, patients and their carers.

goal of improving quality of life and health outcomes. In January 2021 the Commission published the Green Paper on Ageing, factoring most of the HIV Outcomes recommendations on meeting the health and longterm care needs of an ageing population.

HIVOUTCOMES BEYOND VIRAL SUPPRESSION

### LOOKING FORWARD - OUR 2021 WORK PLAN

In 2021 we are preparing ourselves for a year of growth. After expanding our membership to new organisations, researchers and clinicians active in the fight against HIV, we will build on the progress made during 2020 to advance our vision of ensuring all people living with HIV can enjoy good quality of life. In the past year we have laid the foundations of many fruitful collaborations with policymakers and different stakeholders. In 2021 we will keep working with our members and partners to further promote the uptake of the 'beyond viral suppression' paradigm at national, European and global level:

Incorporation of beyond viral suppression as a priority in the new UNAIDS Strategy

Refinement of HIV Outcomes Priorities, building of Data Toolbox

Alignment of HIVO priorities to 4th 90 Consensus Statement and Inco

Prioritisation of issues beyond viral suppression in the European Health Ur

Promoting issues beyond viral suppression in COVID-19 related policymakin in advocacy on aging/ co-morbidities

Extension of the ECDC mandate: Reinforcement of Dublin Declaration Europea include communicable diseases

Coordination and alignment of the work in Germany, Italy, Romania, England an change on the ground and to embed the compendium of good practices

AIDS 2021 Berlin - HIV Outcomes Germany to organise workshop and consider integrating the reflections of the 4th 90 articulation

Engagement with Fast-Track Cities, UNITE and ACHIEVE

Gap analysis: reinforcing evidence generation to underpin advocacy

European Parliament Research Services Study on the quality of life of people living with HIV

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Engaging with UNAIDS to incorporate a commitment to promote good healthrelated quality of life for all people living with HIV in the new Global AIDS Strategy beyond 2021.

Engaging with partner organisations at national level to promote HIV Outcomes' vision and embed our compendium of good practices in local systems of care.

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Engaging with EU institutions and policymakers to promote the beyond viral suppression paradigm and integrated model of care in current and upcoming EU legislative files and flagship initiatives.



Expanding the evidence base to underpin our advocacy efforts at all levels. countries. Its mission is to increase communities' impact on

expanding access to treatment and care and supporting

EATG is a patient-led advocacy organization that promotes

the treatment-related interests of people living with HIV/

AIDS and its related co-infections within Europe. Its mission

is to achieve the fastest possible access to state-of-the-art

medical products, devices and diagnostic tests that prevent

or treat HIV and improve the quality of life of people living

advocacy efforts at national and international level.

European AIDS Treatment Group (EATG):

with or who are at risk of HIV/AIDS.

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and Rhon Reynolds (ViiV Healthcare) - co-sponsors and co-

Georg Behrens: Hannover Medical School

founders of the HIV Outcomes initiative

■ Richard Stranz: Coalition Plus

represented by Mario Cascio

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- Nikos Dedes, European AIDS Treatment Group
- Dr. Jeffrey Lazarus, Head of Health Systems Research Group at ISGLOBAL, Spain

#### **HIV OUTCOMES STEERING GROUP**

- AIDS Action Europe: represented by Sini Pasanen
- AIDS Action Europe (AAE) is a network and partnership platform gathering more than 400 NGOs, AIDS service organisations, activist- and community-based groups of people living with and affected by HIV/AIDS, TB and viral hepatitis as well as other key populations from 47 countries in Europe and Central Asia. Its mission is to strengthen civil society to work towards a more effective response to the HIV/AIDS, TB and viral hepatitis epidemics in Europe and Central Asia.
- **AFEW International:** represented by Yuri de Boer
- AFEW is a non-governmental organisation active in the field of public health and engaging specifically with healthy key populations at risk for HIV, tuberculosis, viral hepatitis and other public health concerns in Eastern Europe and Central Asia (EECA).
- East Europe & Central Asia Union of PLWH (ECUO): represented by Vladimir Zhovtyak
- ECUO is a regional "network of networks" connecting communities of people living with HIV from 15 EECA

#### **INITIATIVE PARTNERS**











### **OBSERVER MEMBERS**

European AIDS Clinical Society (EACS)

European Center for Disease Prevention and Control (ECDC)

#### Fast-Track Cities

Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS (UNAIDS)

Global Parliamentarians Network to End Infectious Diseases (UNITE)

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