

EACR galvanises excellence in multidisciplinary cancer research by:

- Fostering interactions between researchers
- Seeking synergy with other organisations
- Organising cutting edge scientific meetings & Educating the next generation of cancer scientists
- Campaigning for cancer research with funders, policy-makers and society

Strategic Plan 2017-2021



01 Fostering high quality research and interactions between researchers

- Continue to grow the Conference Series, enabling researchers to learn from and interact with each other at small, high quality, focused scientific meetings.
- Develop new services for early career cancer researchers (ex: the Young Cancer Researchers workshop held at EACR24 in Manchester).
- Strengthen the support that we offer to our 14 affiliated national societies. We will establish a National Societies Committee and review the Advisory Council.
- Seek new ways to recognise and celebrate individual member achievements throughout their careers.
- Continue to offer Travel Fellowships to our members
- Encourage new members to join the EACR.
- Explore the potential for reciprocal membership or member benefit arrangements with other membership organisations.



02 Seeking synergy with other organisations

- Further develop our relationship with ESMO with the aim of creating an inspiring interface between basic and clinical research.
- Seek to intensify our relationship with AACR, for example through joint meetings and exploring the potential for joint memberships.
- Work to strengthen relationships with and between our affiliated national societies to mutual benefit.
- Work with national cancer charities, for example by supporting them to collaborate beyond national boundaries.
- Work more closely with industry at our conferences and Congresses and developing new partnerships where there is the potential for mutual benefit.
- Develop partnerships with other actors in the field such as the EACS.



03 Organising cutting edge scientific meetings & Educating the next generation of cancer scientists

- Develop the EACR Congresses in 2018 and 2020, with more networking and sponsorship opportunities.
- Contribute to the ESMO Congresses in partnership with the EACR.
- Review the future of the EACR Congress beyond 2020 in the light of our partnerships
- Develop and grow the Conference Series.
- Explore the potential for new mid-sized conferences in partnership with other organisations.
- Continue to provide meeting bursaries to our members and introduce innovative new ways to support cancer researchers.
- Continue to support other organisations' conferences through our Meeting Sponsorship Programme
- Consider new meeting formats to expand the range of opportunities available.



04 Campaigning for cancer research with funders, policy-makers and society

- Advocate more strongly the need to protect the future of basic cancer research, including the need to provide adequate funding at a European level.
- Continue to be a member of ECCO and to contribute to its Oncopolicy Committee.
- Collaborate with ESMO and the EORTC as founding partners in the CAREFOR initiative.
- Work more closely with the European Academy of Cancer Sciences (EACS)
- Look for new opportunities to contribute to the development of European cancer policy, using the new Brussels office and considering additional staffing to build influence in this arena.
- Seek to represent and involve under-represented groups in cancer research.
- Be more proactive in securing media coverage.