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Letter from the EuroHeart Executive Committee Co-chairs

Dear EuroHeart Friends,

Following the evaluation of the Pilot phase, we are delighted to share with you that the Board of the ESC decided to support the next phase of the EuroHeart project.

The Pilot phase, which ended in June 2022, has established an international collaboration of national quality registries using the newly developed and recently published EuroHeart data standards. As a result, we are now able to collect harmonised data in patients with ACS-PCI, AS-TAVI, HF-CRT-ICD and AF-Ablation in 9 countries i.e. Denmark, Estonia, Iceland, Hungary, Lithuania, Portugal, Romania, Singapore and Sweden. The project will continue to be led by the EuroHeart Executive Committee in close collaboration with the National Registry Leaders and be indirectly funded by industry partners and one research foundation, which contribute their advice at regular Partners Group meetings.

The new phase of EuroHeart (October 5 2022 - December 31 2024) aims to support the existing EuroHeart countries, expand the EuroHeart Network to at least 6 additional countries or regions, and provide statistical analyses/reports on processes of care and outcomes on aggregated data. In addition, data standards for cardiovascular outcomes will be developed and implemented in the existing registry domains in order to facilitate the start-up of EuroHeart as an international/global framework for outcome research and registry-based randomised clinical trials.

At the present time, EuroHeart urgently needs the support and involvement of additional countries/regions/ networks that are interested in improving quality and equity of cardiovascular care at the local, national and international level. From the beginning of 2023, we will connect and reconnect with National Cardiac Societies and also with professionals and existing registries to probe the interest in contributing to the expansion of the EuroHeart Network. If you or your collaborators have an interest in being involved, contribute to, and benefit from the EuroHeart federation of registries, please send a message to our project coordinators (see below). We also hope you will visit the EuroHeart's website at <u>www.escardio.org/Research/euroheart</u> where you can find publications, videos, demos and news updates.

With our Best Wishes for the Holiday Season!

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