Dear EuroHeart Friends

As 2023 is coming to an end, we can look back on an action-packed year for the EuroHeart project!

We are delighted to welcome the Republic of Ireland and Italy, both of which joined EuroHeart in 2023. Ireland is implementing the EuroHeart IT-platform and will start registering patients in the spring of 2024 and Italy is currently building an ACS-PCI registry based on the EuroHeart dataset using their existing platform.

In June, the EuroHeart Team and National Leaders met at the ESC Heart House in Sophia Antipolis to review accomplishments thus far and make plans for the future. Although we learnt to communicate virtually during the pandemic, to meet in person was a wonderful opportunity to share our experience and cement our network. With 11 countries now on board and several others under consideration, EuroHeart is getting ready to conduct international research projects. In 2024 we plan to develop 1-3 research proposal (RRCT and/or Safety Surveillance Studies), which will take our collaboration to the next level.

Another highlight of the year was our coming together at the ESC Annual Congress in Amsterdam in August. EuroHeart was the focus of several activities at the ESC Congress, for example, the scientific session entitled EuroHeart on the road to international quality registries and registry-based trials where we had the opportunity to communicate that EuroHeart is operational and rapidly collating a large quantity of real-world international data (e.g., >40,000 cases in 2022). The scientific session ended with a lively panel discussion among representatives of the EuroHeart National Leaders, Industry Partners, EMA, expert in clinical trials, and the ESC President.

EuroHeart was also the focus of an ESC TV Perspective EuroHeart - An international collaboration with continuous online registration of harmonized patient data, where several EuroHeart National Leaders had the opportunity to share their experience on the value of their registries in improving cardiovascular care. If you missed the opportunity to see this live, make sure to check it out at ESC 365 - direct links are available on our website under EuroHeart News and Publications.

In summary, 2023 was a successful year for EuroHeart and 2024 looks just as exciting. We look forward to the publication of our first Annual Report on ACS care, to new countries joining our network, and to unleashing the research potential of the EuroHeart collaboration!

With Our Best Wishes for the Holiday Season!

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