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# CONNECT TO WIN

November 8<sup>th</sup> - 9<sup>th</sup> 2022

**Congress Centre Lombardia Region**

Sala Marco Biagi, 1 floor, Entrance N4

Piazza Città di Lombardia, 1 - Milan



Regione Lombardia

# DigiCore

*The Fondazione Istituto Nazionale dei Tumori in Milan is an Associate Member of the DIGital Institute for Cancer Outcomes REsearch (DIGICORE), a European public-private strategic alliance aiming to speed the innovation process to produce cancer real world evidences.*

*With 35 participating cancer centres, two national networks (Alliance Against Cancer & UNICANCER) and two commercial partners (IQVIA & Illumina), DIGICORE's objectives are to help the cancer community in the digital revolution that will transform research through the routine use of electronic health records (EHR) and molecular diagnostic information (MDX) for trial automation, outcomes research, digital diagnostics and care quality management.*

*The Grouping is growing fast and it is already well positioned among the most active European actors promoting the pipeline of innovation in cancer research and care.*

*DIGICORE is uniquely placed in Europe to lead the generation of clinical insights and infrastructure relevant to the Cancer Mission priorities and for improved patient outcomes.*

*The self-financed Platinum fund project and the IDEAL4RWE training initiative, together with the participation to several EC applications are only the iceberg of the whole DIGICORE Programme of activities developed after its foundation on April 1<sup>st</sup> 2021.*

Connect to Win, DIGICORE's annual meeting, provides a forum where attendees meet in-person over two days to discuss important issues in cancer care and get updated on the Grouping's running activities. As a result, the event constitutes a friendly interaction between DIGICORE Members, potential partners from European Cancer Centres and industry stakeholders, all brought together by a common goal: developing and implementing a European research network to accelerate the standardisation of precision oncology.

Every year, Connect to Win is supported by a DIGICORE Member. The 2022 Edition is organised by the **Fondazione Istituto Nazionale dei Tumori of Milan** and will be held in Milan on November 8<sup>th</sup> - 9<sup>th</sup> (with some pre-meetings on the 7<sup>th</sup>).

This year's Event encourages attendees to learn firsthand about the research potential of DIGICORE's Platinum infrastructure. On November 8<sup>th</sup>, the winners of the Platinum Fund 1.0 proof-of concept federated network will be announced. The winners of the IDEAL4RWE proof-of concept studies will also be announced on the same day. On November 9<sup>th</sup>, we will discuss transformative research opportunities from academic pragmatic trials through to novel commercial research programmes. The plan is to create a dynamic group of cancer centres with the needed maturity and readiness to best coordinate future major near term goals, namely implementation of a high quality, interoperable European clinical informatics network at our Centers and participations to EC bids.

We are aware of the necessity to work more collectively as a network to prepare for better re-use of high-quality routine EMR data in protocolised research at scale. Digital methods have the potential to transform care quality management, whilst also contributing to multi-national research. It is thanks to the collaboration with some of the most prominent cancer centres across Europe that DIGICORE is set to drive this digital revolution.

We warmly invite leaders from Europe's cancer community in clinical informatics, pragmatic trials, care quality management and cancer centre leadership in IT and R&D to join us in this challenge, and welcome your active participation in the 2022 Meeting. Connect to Win is a great opportunity to synthesise the content in discussion, plan towards successful collaborations within the network and create links with other similar initiatives.

DIGICORE is grateful to Fondazione Istituto Nazionale dei Tumori di Milano and Regione Lombardia for hosting the Event at its congress centre in Milan.

## Day 0 – Monday, 7 November 2022

### Working Group Meetings

IQVIA Headquarter Milan, Via Fabio Filzi, 29

- 12.00 - 14.00 **The Platinum Technology Fund**  
Chairperson: **Piers Mahon**
- 14.00 **DIGICORE's Leadership Advisory Board (LAB) Team Interviews**  
Chaired by **Iwona Lugowska & David Cameron**  
LAB to interview 5 Teams study proposals



## Day 1 – Tuesday, 8 November 2022

### Connect to Win 2022 looking back, looking forwards

- 09.00 - 09.20 **Welcome of the DIGICORE President**  
**Gennaro Ciliberto**
- 09.20 - 09.30 **Agenda overview**  
**Serena Di Cosimo** - DIGICORE's Academic Research Manager
- 09.30 - 11.00 **News from IDEAL4RWE**  
Chairpersons: **David Cameron & Iwona Lugowska**  
Winner announcement + short presentations from some of the winning teams
- 11.00 - 12.30 **News from Platinum & Clinical Informatics Interoperability Working Group**  
Chairpersons: **Piers Mahon, Giovanni Tonon**  
Overview of what has happened in those groups this year, the announcement of Platinum winners: some description of the process and lesson learnt.  
2-3 Speakers tbd
- 12.30 - 13.30 Lunch
- 13.40 - 14.10 **EU Actions on Cancer**  
**Europe's Beating Cancer Plan: Main Initiatives**  
**Stella Kyriakides** (Invited)  
**Horizon Europe | EU Cancer Mission**  
**Jan van de Loo** (Invited)
- 14.10 - 15.30 **European funding for digital research and digital infrastructure**  
Chairpersons: **Maria Luisa Lavitrano**  
Two speakers to be invited
- 15.30 - 17.20 **DIGICORE's involvement in EC Funding**  
Chairpersons: **Claudio Lombardo & Gennaro Ciliberto**
- **IDEA4RC**  
**Annalisa Trama**
  - **Horizon Europe | HORIZON-MISS-2022-CANCER-01-02: Strengthening research capacities of Comprehensive Cancer Infrastructures**  
**Giovanni Apolone**
  - **EU4H-2021-PJ2: Building the EU Cancer and Health Genomics platform**  
**Marc Van Den Bulcke**
  - **HORIZON-MISS-2021-CANCER-02: Quality of Life in Oncology: measuring what matters for cancer patients and survivors in Europe**  
**Cinzia Brunelli**
- 17.20 - 17.30 **Q&A**

## Day 2 – Wednesday, 9 November 2022

- 09.00 - 10.30 **Session 1 Pragmatic trials in precision oncology: state of the art**  
Chairperson: **Aslaug Helland**  
Speakers: **Denis Lacombe & Kristoffer Staal Rohrberg**  
Pragmatic trials have the potential to transform the cost of drug development and especially next indication for precision medicines, as seen in the DRUP, IMPRESS and SPECTA. Digitizing such trials so that they become close to “randomize in real world” has the potential to make pragmatic trials more cost effective and easier to scale. RECOVERY in C19 has shown the potential for such pragmatics to power effective generic repurposing and practice change but will need modification for precision oncology. Speakers will present latest on such “precision pragmatics” and discuss the opportunities to expand their scope and potential with the DIGICORE community.
- 10.30 - 12.00 **Advances in clinical informatics for outcome research**  
Chairperson: **Andre Dekker**  
**1. “Advances in clinical informatics for outcome research - Federated learning”** Speaker: **Ane Appelt**  
**2. “Advances in clinical informatics for outcome research – Pragmatic outcome from images”** Speaker: **Alberto Traverso**  
**3. “Advances in clinical informatics for outcome research – Patient reported outcomes”** Speaker: **Vincenzo Valentini**  
As we work together as a community, we are all starting to realise how important keeping up-to-date with emerging digital tools to transform the value of our Electronic health records and power world class research. Speakers will present new tools that could help cancer centres and researchers, especially in pragmatic outcomes derived from imaging, the implementation of routine PROs and the state of the art in novel distributed learning methods, to better educate Cancer Centre heads of R&D and IT as to the art of the digitally possible today.
- 12.00 - 13.00 Lunch
- 13.00 - 14.30 **Session 2 Pharma’s advanced Real World Evidence needs: challenging biomarkers, quality of life, external comparators and long term follow-up**  
Chairperson: **Piers Mahon**, speakers: 3 – 5 from pharma + panel discussion  
Selected senior pharma leaders will outline their critical, “hard” real world evidence where they are looking for innovative approaches and methods. Example “hard” evidence challenges include: HER2+ low and similar emerging biomarkers outcomes research; HTA analysis for biomarkers whose prevalence varies across the patient journey; evidencing QoL benefits in RWE on precision agents; long term follow-up to trials from RWE, especially in cell and gene therapy.
- 14.30 - 16.00 **Diagnostic Evidence Needs: what can we prove with routine linked molecular – clinical data?**  
Chairperson: **to be invited**, 3 speakers + short panel discussion  
IQVIA would invite senior clinical development leads in diagnostics companies like Illumina, Foundation, Guardant to describe their evidence needs and technologies to support Real World research. We would also invite Iñaki Gutiérrez-Ibarluzea, former president of Health Technology Assessment International to provide a perspective on how linked data can transform HTA assessment of complex precision diagnostics and identify cost savings for care systems.

## List of suggested Hotels

- INNSide Milano - Torre Galfa**  
Via Alfredo Campanini, 12, 20124 Milano MI  
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- Four Points by Sheraton Milan Center**  
Via Gerolamo Cardano, 1, 20124 Milano MI  
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[www.marriott.com/en-us/hotels/milfp-four-points-milan-center/overview](http://www.marriott.com/en-us/hotels/milfp-four-points-milan-center/overview)
- Hilton Milan**  
Via Luigi Galvani, 12, 20124 Milano MI  
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[www.hilton.com/en/hotels/milhitw-hilton-milan](http://www.hilton.com/en/hotels/milhitw-hilton-milan)  
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- UNA Hotel Century Milano**  
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### **Registration**

- **DIGICORE Members:**  
**No registration fee**
- **Other participants: €150**

**Registration Deadline:**  
**20 October 2022**

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