

## 5. DISSEMINATION

The partners, throughout the duration of the Project, participated in national and international meetings related to public health and CVD prevention, contributing with their input to the dissemination of the Project results and giving further visibility to the Community approach.

Here below a list of meetings where the Project results were presented is reported:

- at the Workshop “A Canadian Best Practices system for chronic disease prevention and control” (Toronto Ontario, Canada 10-11 March 2005);
- at the Sixth International Conference on Preventive Cardiology (Foz do Iguassu, Brazil, 21-25 May 2005): “European Cardiovascular Indicators Surveillance Set (EUROCISS): Recommendations for monitoring cardiovascular disease”;
- at the ESC Congress 2005 (Stockholm, Sweden, 3-7 September 2005): “Population-based registers of Myocardial Infarction in Europe: results of the EUROCISS Project”;
- at the EUPHA 13<sup>th</sup> European Conference on Public Health (Graz, Austria, 10-12 November 2005): “The EUROCISS Project: development of cardiovascular morbidity indicators for the European Community” (*S Giampaoli, M Madsen, P Primatesta, A Pajak, S Sans on behalf of the EUROCISS Research Group. European Journal of Public Health, Vol 15. Suppl 1, 2005: 20*);  
“Cardiovascular registers in Europe: results from EUROCISS Project” (*S Giampaoli, M Madsen, P Primatesta, A Pajak, S Sans on behalf of the EUROCISS Research Group. European Journal of Public Health, Vol 15. Suppl 1, 2005: 153*);
- at the Helsingborg Consensus Conference ‘European Stroke Strategies (Helsingborg, Sweden March 22-24, 2006): “The EUROCISS Project: recommended indicators for monitoring stroke in Europe”;
- at the EUROPREVENT Congress (Athens, Greece 10-13 May 2006): “EUROCISS: recommendations for coronary event surveillance in Europe” ;

“The EUROCISS Project: development of standardized measure for monitoring Coronary Heart Disease in Europe” (*M Madsen on behalf of the EUROCISS Research Group. European Journal of Cardiovascular Prevention and Rehabilitation, Vol 13, Suppl 1, 2006: S67*).

- at the European Congress of Epidemiology (Utrecht, The Netherlands, 28 June-1 July 2006): “Population-based Registers for Myocardial Infarction in Europe: results from EUROCISS Project”;

- at the ESC Congress 2006 (Barcelona, Spain, 2-6 September 2006): “Population-based Registers in Europe: results from EUROCISS Project”;

- at the EUROPREVENT Congress (Madrid, Spain, 19-21 April 2007). Four presentations within a Specialist symposium entitled: “The EUROCISS Project: Recommendations for cardiovascular surveillance in Europe”: 1) How to make routine data comparable across Europe; 2) Population-based AMI registers; 3) CVD Surveys; 4) Population-based stroke registers;

- at the ESC Congress 2007 (Wien, Austria, 1-5 September 2007): “Results and recommendation from EUROCISS-AMI”; “Results and recommendation from EUROCISS-Stroke”;

- at the 15th European Conference on Public Health (EUPHA, Helsinki, Finland 11-13 October 2007) within the Symposium of the TFMCD: “The EUROCISS Project: recommendations for myocardial infarction and stroke population-based registers implementation”. (*S Giampaoli on behalf of the EUROCISS Research Group. European Journal of Public Health, Vol 17, Suppl 2, 2007: 14*)

A section illustrating the dissemination of the Project results is available on the website (<http://www.cuore.iss.it/eurociss/progetto/progetto.asp>).

Regarding the Manuals of Operations, which represent the major achievement of the EUROCISS Project 2<sup>nd</sup> phase, the EUROCISS Research Group commonly decided to submit them to the European Journal of Cardiovascular Prevention and Rehabilitation

(EJCPR). The Journal represents one of the best channels for the dissemination of information on CVD prevention and surveillance in Europe.

Before publication, the three manuals were submitted to three external reviewers for a final and objective evaluation. The Manual of Operations of AMI/ACS population-based registers was reviewed by Prof. Shanti Mendis from WHO; the Manual of Operations of Stroke population-based registers by Prof. Birgitta Stegmayr and the Manual of Operations of CVD Surveys by Prof. Maurizio Trevisan.

Minor comments were made by the reviewers who overall considered the Manuals of Operations a useful and interesting product.

Publication was accompanied by a foreword prepared and signed by the members of the 'Prevention and Health Policy' Section of the European Association for Cardiovascular Prevention and Rehabilitation (EACPR) within the European Society of Cardiology.

The Manuals have been published on behalf of the EUROCISS Working Group in November 2007 as Supplement in the European Journal of Cardiovascular Prevention and Rehabilitation *Vol 14 (Suppl 3): S1-S61* (visit the Journal website [www.jcardiovascularrisk.com/](http://www.jcardiovascularrisk.com/))

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2007: S43-S61.

The last version of the Manuals submitted to the Journal for publication is reported in  
Appendix I.