

ERN sustainability – the role of MS



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The burning platform seen from a MS

- The long term survival of the concept of ERN and the networks themselves are dependent on broad support from all MS, and not just the ones currently with the most network members
- Thus the Commission, BoMS and MS are obliged to ensure that memberships/affiliations of ERNs are distributed to as many countries as possible to ensure support for the overall concept

Main challenges to the sustainability of ERNs

- The concept of ERN is still relatively new
- It is a complex and sometimes unclear construction, that requires the cooperation of many partners at the same time
- The roadmap has not been laid out for the entire trip (we are still building as we go)
- Unclear longtime funding for the networks

Main challenges to the sustainability of ERNs

- The MS may have different legal frameworks and perceptions about ERN
- With this difference, how do the MS learn from each other and use the best examples?
- How do members from different countries work together in ERNs when their MS are not always aligned?

How can the MS support sustainability?

- How can the MS and BoMS help **other member states**
 - We must push for more cooperation between MS about sharing best practices
 - We must push for consolidation of the networks by making the application processes more transparent and democratic

How can the MS support sustainability ?

- How can the MS help applicants?
 - The MS must have resources to support their national members and would-be members of the networks
 - MS must continuously encourage relevant hospitals and clinicians to apply for membership/affiliation of networks

How can the MS support sustainability ?

- MS has the possibility of creating national networks/dialogue groups
 - Common basic questions about application forms
 - Types of membership/affiliations
 - Dates for application rounds
 - IT-issues (CPMS)
 - Legal issues
 - etc.

-Of course it is a prerequisite that the Commission and BoMS have agreed on all these issues, before MS can convey them...😊