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Best Information through Regional Outcomes

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Task Force

- Task Force on Major and Chronic Diseases
 - Subgroup of Working Party on Morbidity and Mortality
 - Members all Coordinators of DG-SANCO Public Health projects in cardiovascular diseases, mental health, diabetes, dementia etc
- Scientific Assistance Office
 - NIVEL, Netherlands)
- Meetings
 - Twice per year, every six months

Meeting themes

- Interactions between DG-SANCO (PH) and DG-RESEARCH (FP7)
- Project updates
 - ECHI (EU Health Indicators)
 - EPREMED (World Mental Health Survey)
 - EUROCHIP (Cervical Cancer Screening)
 - BIRO, EUCID (Diabetes)
 - POMONA II (Intellectual Disability)
 - EAIS, EUROCODE (Dementia)
 - EURONETSTAT (Low Birth Weight)
 - IMCA II (Asthma)
 - EUHSID, FEHES (Health Examination Survey)
- Report on Major and Chronic Diseases 2006
 - Enric Duran (Spain), Simona Giampaoli (Italy)

Main Themes

- Data rather than indicators
- Health Examination Surveys
- Report on Chronic Diseases 2006

Diabetes Scenarios

- BIRO EUCID relationships
- EUCID "...to put Diabetes on the European Map": Min N=8 National Indicators produced by 25 countries
 - Codebook (similar to Data Dictionary)
- BIRO facts: collection of clinical data and services provided to 110,000 subjects
- "EUCID is the present, BIRO is the future" (F.Storms)

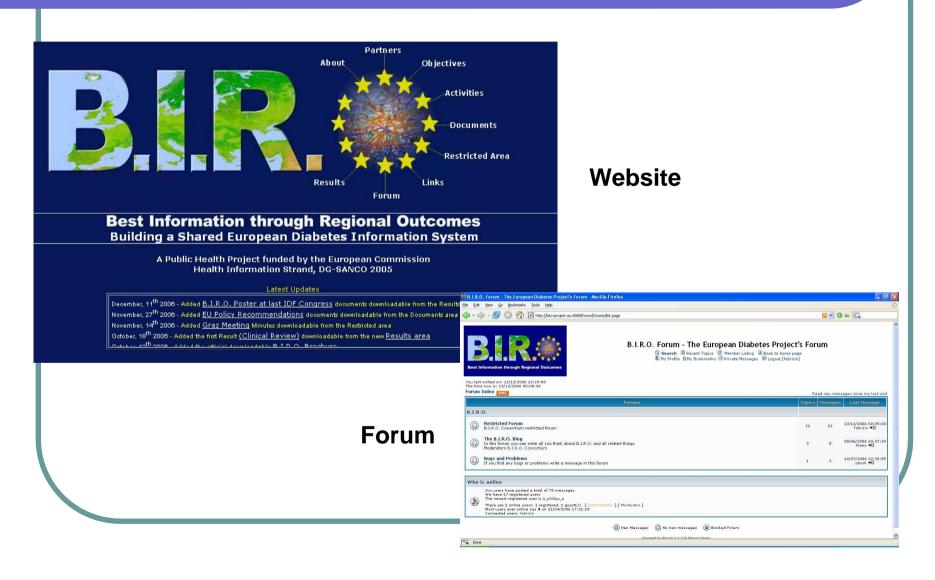
BIRO PROMISES: Activity 2007

- Dundee Technical Meeting (April)
- Deliverables: Data Dictionary, Privacy Impact Assessment, Database Engine, Communication Software, Report Template
- Statistical Analysis of Test Datasets
- 2nd Investigator Meeting, Cyprus (end May)
- BIRO Paper(s)
- Evaluation Report

BIRO DATA DELIVERY

- June 2007 (Region, number of <u>subjects</u>)
 - Umbria (IT): 30,000
 - Tayside (UK): 15,000
 - Styria+Carinthia (AT): 40,000
 - Cyprus (CY): 5,000
 - Malta (MT): 25,000

BIRO PROMOTION: www.biro-project.eu



BIRO REQUEST: Feedback

- Value of the BIRO approach for the implementation of EU diabetes policy
- Expansion of its geographical coverage
- Interoperability between BIRO and the EU web portal

QUESTIONS RECEIVED

- Q: "Do you mean we should split countries into regions?"
 - A: "In the BIRO approach regions represent, rather than administrative jurisdictions, homogeneous areas in terms of population, data collection and health policy. Collaboration between these entities can produce more standardised, reliable and accurate diabetes indicators on a routine basis. This definition also implies that countries like Malta and Cyprus can build and share the same IS with regions like Tayside and Umbria"

BEHIND THE SCENE

- BIRO/EUCID Extension
 - Clearly differentiate the two approaches
 - Avoid duplications
 - Seek funds in parallel from DG-SANCO
 - EASD Workshop 2007?
- Applying to Different Call Schemes
 - EUCID may not be interested in FP7
- New partners
 - Hungarian partner
 - Scandinavian connections?

New referent

JAROSLAV WALIGORA

- Technical Referent for BIRO and Chronic Diseases (supporting/replacing A.Montserrat)
- Invitation to Cyprus Meeting
 - To be organized in connection with Commissioner Kiprianou

OFFICIAL RESOURCES

- Newsletter
 - http://ec.europa.eu/health/horiz_newsletter_en.htm#9

- Web Page
 - http://ec.europa.eu/health/ph_information/implement/wp/morbidity/ev_20061213_en.htm

Next Meeting: 19 June 2007