

Inaugural Cancer Planners Forum

“Cancer control planning as an investment in the future of a country”

Preliminary Programme

Welcome Day– 14 May 2025 – Pavillon Gallatin

Item	Time & Duration	Topic
Welcome reception	17.00–19.30	<p>Welcome addresses and Light Cocktail</p> <p>Address the 'why' for cancer planning, how it's important to complement NCD plans, health strategies, and UHC</p>

Forum Day 1 – 15 May 2025 – Pavillion Gallatin

Item	Time & Duration	Topic
Welcome Coffee	8.15–8.45	Participants' arrival, badge retrieval, seating plans.
Welcome & intro	8.45–9.00	Welcome, format, agenda of the day & Forum objectives
Keynote	09.00–09.20	<p>Introductory presentation</p> <p>1. Making the investment case for an NCCP</p> <p>This session will present a compelling investment case for a national cancer control plan, including evidence-based justifications, cost-benefit analyses, and highlighting the health and social impacts of cancer control. The session will also focus on strategic partnerships, political will and sustainability strategies to secure long-term funding and support.</p>
Keynote	09.20–09.50	<p>Introductory presentation</p> <p>2. What are the key components of a successful NCCP?</p> <p>NCCP Refresher: In this session, we will explore the critical steps involved in developing a national cancer control plan. Participants will gain insights into the systematic process of creating a plan that addresses the unique</p>

		needs of a country's population. The session will highlight the NCCP global review, ICCP and technical assistance programme, share useful resources for plan development and implementation.
Country example	09.50-10.05	Country example: recent example on the process of developing/drafting an NCCP
Coffee Break	10.05-10.30	Coffee, Tea and Refreshments service
Keynote	10.30-10.50	<p>Introductory Presentation</p> <p>3. Who are our stakeholders? Developing a governance framework and galvanising stakeholder engagement in NCCP development, implementation and evaluation</p> <p>This session will focus on the importance of engaging stakeholders in the development and implementation of a national cancer control plan. Participants will learn strategies to effectively involve key stakeholders, including government agencies, healthcare providers, non-governmental organisations, and patient advocacy groups. The session will cover best practices for fostering collaboration, building consensus, and ensuring a participatory approach that enhances the plan's success and sustainability and introduce IAEA's programme Rays of Hope.</p>
Country example	10.50-11.30	Country experience on stakeholders' engagement for NCCP development and implementation. Patient engagement.
Moderated Table discussions	11.30 – 12.45	Table discussions on stakeholders' identification. (incl. 25 Minutes report back)
Lunch Break	12.45 - 13.55	Lunch buffet
Keynote	14.05 – 14.35	<p>4. Setting objectives and identifying priorities for impact</p> <p>Didactic presentation on setting priorities and actionable strategies</p> <p>This session will delve into the critical process of setting clear and measurable objectives in the development of a national cancer control plan. Participants will learn how to define impactful goals that address the unique needs of their population. The session will also cover strategies for achieving these objectives, including prioritizing actions, allocating resources effectively, and monitoring progress.</p> <p>Needs assessment and use of data available, example of ImPACT mission results.</p>
Keynote and country examples	14.35 – 15.20	<p>Introductory Presentation</p> <p>5. Identifying the priorities in the EU Beating Cancer plan</p> <p>This session will provide an overview of Europe's Beating Cancer Plan. Participants will learn about the plan's key objectives, which include cancer prevention, early detection, diagnosis, treatment, and improving the quality of life for cancer patients and survivors.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • EU country examples

		Country presentation will explore how national cancer control plans have been prioritised in line with the EU Beating cancer plan and its objectives.
Coffee Break	15.20-15.45	Coffee, Tea and Refreshments service
Moderated Table discussions	15.45 – 16.40	Table discussions on setting NCCP objectives and identifying priorities with a moderator and guided questions. (incl. 15 minutes report back)
Group Photo	16.40 – 16.55	Group Photo - Outside - garden
Reception	17.00 – 19.00	Cocktail Dinatoire at Jardin des Penthes incl. guests from the Geneva Health Community

Forum Day 2 – 16 May 2025

Item	Time & Duration	Topic
Welcome Coffee	8.00 – 8.25	Participants' arrival
Welcome Words	8.25-8.30	A few welcome words with quick feedback from Forum Day 1
Keynote	8.30-9.00	<p>Introductory presentation</p> <p>6. How to cost an NCCP: case studies</p> <p>This session will explore the critical aspects of costing, including why and when it occurs in the NCCP development process.</p> <p>08.30 – 08:45: How, why and when to cost NCCPs</p> <p>08:45 – 09:00: From cancer plan to defining scenarios</p>
Workshop	9.00-10.35	<p>WHO Workshop on costing tool</p> <p>This interactive workshop will provide participants with practical experience in using the WHO costing tool. By the end of the session, attendees will be equipped with the skills and knowledge to apply the WHO costing tool in their own national contexts, enhancing the efficiency and impact of their cancer control efforts.</p> <p>09:00 – 09:15: Live demonstration of a defined scenario</p> <p>09:15 – 09:40: Computer/phone hands-on testing of tool</p> <p>09:40 – 09:55: Roundtable discussion on experiences, perhaps with select speakers</p> <p>09:55 – 10:05: Live demonstration of additional functionalities / future directions</p> <p>10:05 – 10:15: From costing to financing: how to use an investment case</p>

Morning Break	10.35-10.50	Coffee, Tea and Refreshments service
Keynote	10.50-11.20	Introductory presentation 7. What needs to be in place to implement an NCCP for maximum impact? This session will explore the key factors that contribute to the implementation of national cancer control plans. It will explore how to set a comprehensive implementation plan and the process to develop a policy framework and resource mobilisation for implementation.
Country example	11.20-11.35	Countries experience on implementation framework and matrix on-stage.
Moderated table discussions	11.35-12.45	Table discussions on implementing NCCPs with a moderator and guided questions (incl. 15 minutes report back)
Lunch Break	12.45 - 13.45	Lunch buffet
Keynote	13.55-14.15	Introductory Presentation 8. How to set up an effective monitoring, evaluation and learning process This session will provide participants with the essential knowledge and tools to develop an effective monitoring, evaluation and learning (MEL) process for national cancer control plans. Participants will learn how to set up clear indicators, collect and analyse relevant data, and use the findings to improve cancer control strategies. The session will cover key aspects such as defining measurable objectives, establishing data sources, and creating a framework for continuous assessment and feedback.
Panel Discussion	14.15-14.45	Countries experience on-stage.
Moderated Table discussions	14.45 – 15.45	Table discussions on M&E of NCCPs with a moderator and guided questions. (incl. 15 minutes report back)
Coffee Break	15.45-16.05	Coffee, Tea and Refreshments service
Keynote	16.05 – 16.25	Introductory Presentation 9. "Legislative Frameworks and Policy Coherence: Key Elements for Effective National Cancer Control Planning" This session will cover the importance of legislation around national cancer control planning and the need for aligning NCCPs with existing policies and other health strategies to achieve policy coherence. This session will cover key aspects such as leveraging synergies with existing health programs, avoiding duplication of efforts and will highlight how legislative support and policy coherence are essential for comprehensive cancer control.
Country example	16.25 – 16.45	Countries experience on-stage or open the discussion with the audience

		Alignment with national strategies and UHC
Q&A	16.45- 17.00	Questions to the audience
Beyond the Forum days	17.00 – 17.10	The Forum continues on UICC Connect
Closing of the Forum	17.10 – 17.20	Forum Following Up, Continued Technical Assistance to Planners and Expectations