



euPrevent  
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# Kick off euPrevent Senior Friendly Communities (SFC)

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# Background of euPrevent

# Background of euPrevent EMR

1. Combining prevention activities in the EMR
2. Looking for sustainability in all programs
3. Develop and support the networks of prevention
4. Find European funds in cooperation with the partners in the EMR
5. Operational unit to support the foundation Euregio Meuse-Rhine

# Target of euPrevent EMR

Improve quality of life of citizens in the EMR concerning prevention and care

# Basic facts

- Working area: Euregion Meuse-Rhine (EMR)
- Non-profit foundation
- Established in 2010
- Bottom up: supporting (public) healthcare professionals and providers in the EMR
- 45 formal partners
- Partners are euPrevent
- euPrevent is a supporting system

# Content of euPrevent

# Structure euPrevent

Backbone of euPrevent are the 6 programs:

- euPrevent infectious diseases and safety
- euPrevent obesity
- euPrevent addiction
- euPrevent mental health
- euPrevent environmental health
- euPrevent patient power



# Structure euPrevent

3 main overall topics:

- Patient: Patient and citizens involvement
- Data: Comparable Data collection
- Educap: Education of professionals and knowledge transfer in the EMR

## **euPrevent Patient power**

- **Goal: with regard to cross border (public) healthcare the representation of the interests of the citizens living in the EMR.**
- **Examples of concrete activities:**
  - Participating in all program lines and INTERREG projects
  - Further development of patient guideline 2011/24 of the European parliament and committee of cross border care
  - Implementing Selfhelp friendly hospitals
  - Participation of the euregional health conferences



## Wat is EPECS?

EPECS (European Patients Empowerment for Customised Solutions) is een samenwerkingsverband van (regionale) patiëntenorganisaties die hun achterban een krachtige stem willen geven in de steeds verder ontwikkelende grensoverschrijdende en Europese gezondheidszorg.



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## euPrevent infectious diseases

- Goal: focused on the decrease of infectious diseases and improve patient safety in the EMR.
- Examples of concrete activities:
  - Audits in Hospitals
  - Cross border research concerning e.g MRSA
  - Issue quality mark 'Patient patient safety through hygiene and infection prevention' for hospitals nursing homes and revalidation centres

Patiëntenveiligheid door hygiëne en infectieziektebestrijding

La sécurité des patients grâce à l'hygiène et à la protection contre les infections

## Patientensicherheit durch Hygiene und Infektionsschutz



Ministerium für Wirtschaft, Energie,  
Bauen, Wohnen und Verkehr  
des Landes Nordrhein-Westfalen



provincie limburg



## euPrevent mental health

- Goal: focused on the prevention and treatment of mental diseases and disorders.
- Examples of concrete activities:
  - Development and implementation of a theatre play
  - Development and implementation of a capacity assessment instrument with cross border implications
  - INTERREG VA Project: euPrevent SFC

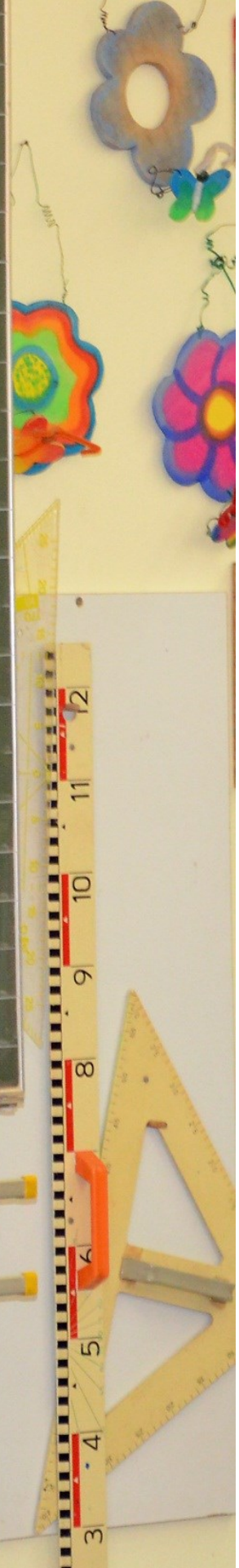
## euPrevent addiction

- Goal: cross border cooperation with regard to reduction of risky behaviour with a focus on addictive consume (e.g. drug, Tabaco, alcohol) and addictive behaviour (e.g. gaming, gambling).
- Examples of concrete activities:
  - A yearly prevention month with actions for youth
  - Euregional youth surveys
  - Exploring new methods: social norms approach

# Sporting activities and integrated health education







## euPrevent overweight

- Goal: prevention of overweight by children, youth and adolescences. Main focus on eating habits, physical activity and external factors like, SES.
- Examples of concrete activities:
  - HEPCOM project
  - Implementation of quality tool HEPS
  - Professional study visits in the EMR

## **euPrevent environmental health**

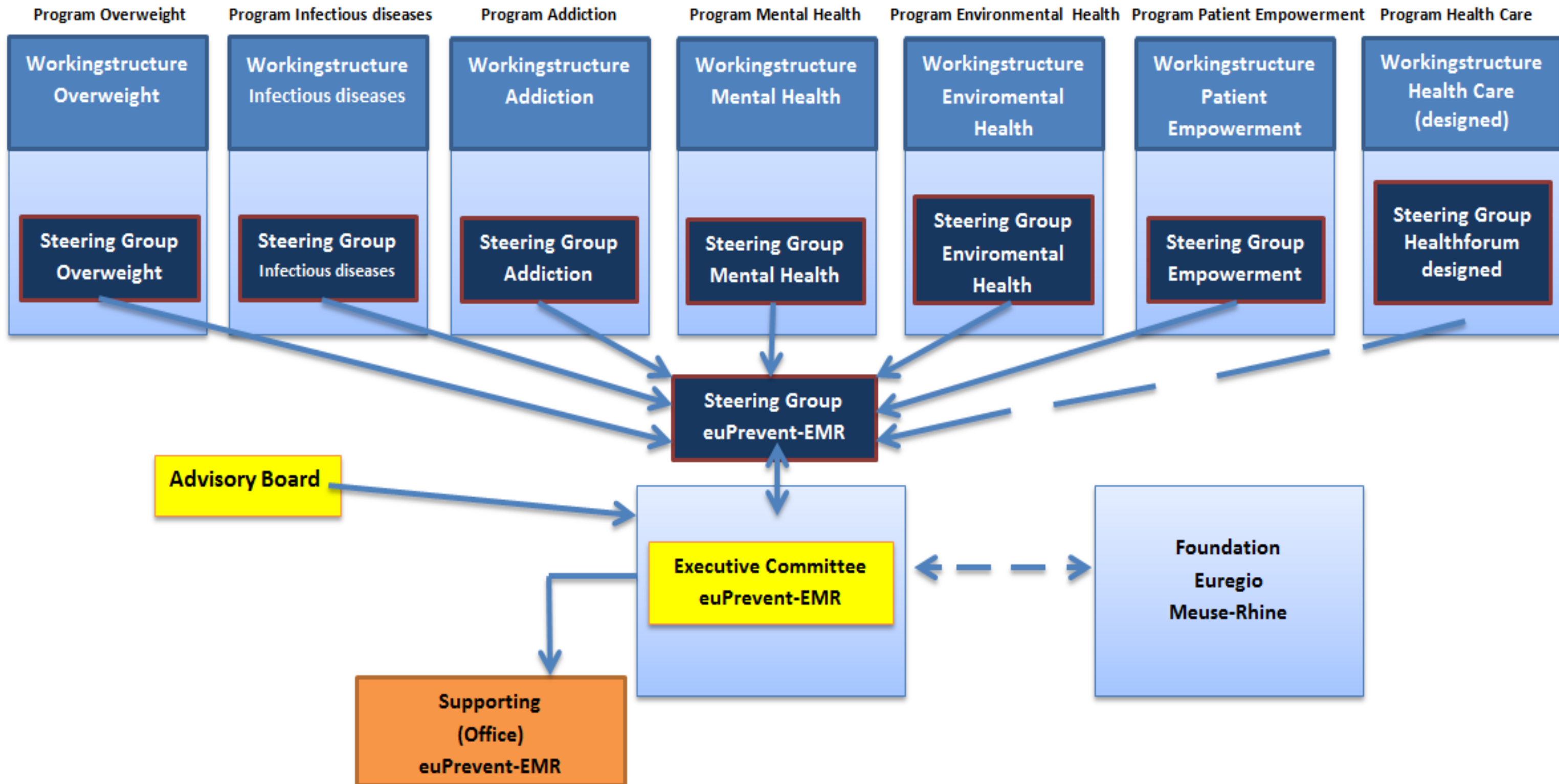
- **Goal: in cross border cooperation preventing diseases that are related to the effects of environmental pollution. Main focus on indoor environments in schools and houses.**
- **Examples of concrete activities:**
  - **Cross border workshops and study visits**

## euPrevent data collection

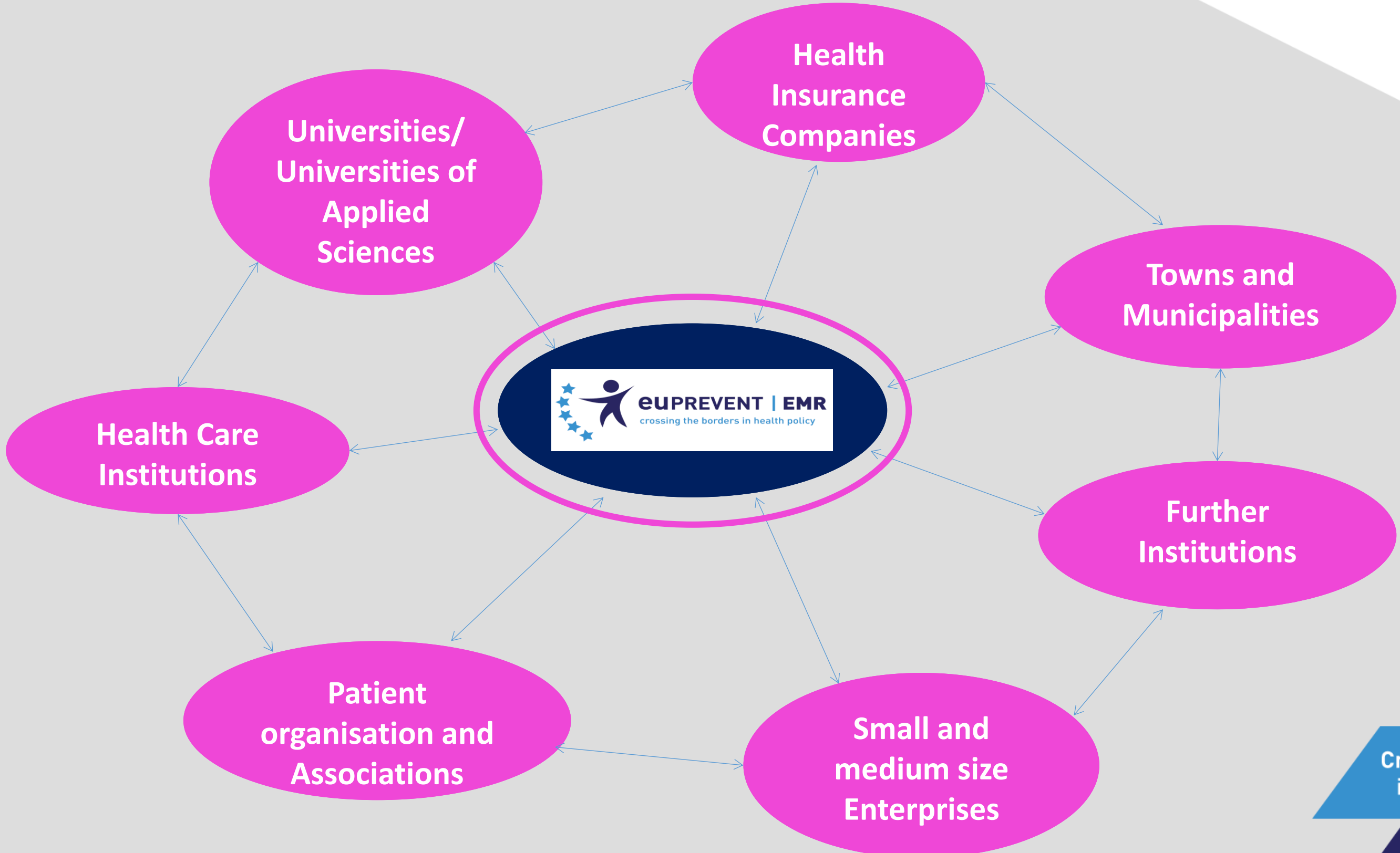
- Goal: to have comparable data of all kind in the EMR which can be used by policymakers, healthcare professionals/providers and are feasible for citizens living in the EMR.
- Examples of concrete activities:
  - Project 'Data collection in the EMR', granted by the Province of Limburg(NL): structural cooperation between data providers, comparable indicators (socio-demographic and overweight)

# Stichting euPrevent - EMR

Structure euPrevent-EMR (2017-01-31)



# euPrevent partners



# Organizational structure of euPrevent

- Executive committee (one of each region of EMR, lower Austria + two other members)
- advisory board (from institutions and policy)
- steering group for all program lines
- supporting office

# Executive Committee (Board) - 31.12.2016

1. Mr. Dr. K. H. Feldhoff (Chairman)
  2. Mr. Prof. H. Brand (International Public Health Maastricht)
  3. Mr. Dr. F. Bovens (GGD Zuid Limburg)
  4. Mr. Minister A. Antoniadis (DG)
  5. Ms. Deputierte K. Firquet (Liege)
  6. Mr. Dr. H. Kehren (Zweckverband Aachen)
  7. Ms. Mag. E. Mikl-Leitner (Niederösterreich)
  8. NN (Province Belgium Limburg/Flanders)
- Permanent guest: Ms. Deputierte M. van Rijnsbergen  
(Province Limburg, NL)



# Take home messages

1. Citizens and patients cross borders regularly, daily.
2. We need each other in the EMR to support the citizens living in our Euregion Meuse-Rhine.
3. Our partners are euPrevent.
4. The focus of euPrevent is bottom up: on supporting you in your cross border and European ambitions.
5. Join euPrevent and become a partner: make sure you are behind the wheel.

# Thank you for your attention!

Contact details can be found on our website:

[www.euprevent.eu](http://www.euprevent.eu)