CHERRIES – SHAPING RESPONSIBLE HEALTHCARE ECOSYSTEMS / ABOUT

CHERRIES | Constructing Healthcare Environments through Responsible Research Innovation and Entrepreneurship Strategies is an EU funded project aimed at testing RRI and demand-oriented approaches to inform and shape regional innovation policies and strategies (e.g., smart specialisation) to better meet the current challenges healthcare innovation ecosystems are facing in Europe.

RRI is a process where all societal actors work together during the whole R&I process in order to ensure the best possible outcome. RRI in health aims to advance the alignment between health needs, (bio)medical and health technology research, development of products and processes, and implementation in health practice in systematic collaboration with all stakeholders involved.

The CHERRIES team applies the RRI framework to mobilise territorial stakeholder ecosystems and engage them into regional pilot actions aimed at:

1. Identifying pressing and unmet needs in the healthcare sector at territorial level;
2. Encourage the proposition and co-creation of responsible innovative solutions to the identified needs;
3. Stimulate institutional reflection processes on how to innovate products and services in the healthcare sector through participatory approaches;
4. Present evidence-based recommendations for a more inclusive, open and responsive governance of sectoral policies, strategies and innovation support instruments.
EUROPEAN TERRITORIES AT THE CORE OF CHERRIES ACTION / THE PILOTS

The RRI-based open-innovation experiments (Labs) are conducted in three European regions - in Murcia (ES), Örebro (SE) and the Republic of Cyprus (CY). The regional ecosystems will identify, co-create and implement innovative solutions addressing the sectors’ needs.

Based on a common methodology, each pilot will consist of 3 main phases:

1. **call for needs**: we call patients and citizens, medical professionals, healthcare institutions and other relevant territorial and societal actors to express their needs;
2. **call for solutions**: we call European entrepreneurs and social innovators to answer regional needs with their innovative solutions;
3. **co-creation**: we support selected entrepreneurs to co-develop their solutions in close collaboration with the key stakeholders of the regional healthcare ecosystem.

The RRI experimentations will inform CHERRIES policy recommendations.

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**CALL FOR NEEDS**
- Regional workshops
- Collection & evaluation of needs
- Definition of regional challenge

**CALL FOR SOLUTIONS**
- European webinar
- Collection and evaluation of innovative solutions
- Selection of the solution

**CO-CREATION**
- Regional co-creation workshops
- Solution development
- Sustainability strategy

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**EVIDENCE-BASED POLICY RECOMMENDATIONS**

**BE PART OF THE PILOTS**: CHECK THE REGIONAL PAGES ON OUR WEBSITE AND GET INVOLVED!
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CHERRIES AT A GLANCE
/ WHAT’S IN IT FOR YOU

• **HAVE YOUR SAY** - Three regional “Labs” enabling **multi-actors dialogue** for bottom-up definition of needs and **co-creation of innovative solutions** in the healthcare sector.

• **REPLICATE THE PILOT IN YOUR REGION** - A **common methodology and a virtual toolbox outlining methods and practices** to run regional pilots on demand-driven and user-led innovation approaches (from stakeholders mapping, to co-creation approaches, to monitoring framework) allowing other regions and other sectorial stakeholders to replicate the “labs”.

• **GET SUPPORT & MAKE CONNECTIONS** - **Training, networking and mentoring programme** for at least 3 more regions interested in replicating CHERRIES methodology either in the healthcare or other sectors (**mirror regions**).

• **LEARN BY DOING** - Regional workshops and **online webinars** to delve into responsible healthcare ecosystems in Europe.

• **KEEP UPDATED** - A quarterly newsletter to receive **latest updates** from CHERRIES community → [www.cherries2020.eu/newsletter](http://www.cherries2020.eu/newsletter)

• **GET POLICY HINTS** - **Recommendations** for policy makers on how to shape responsible innovation policies.

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