



## **EAPC Strategy 2022-2025**

Established in 1988, the European Association for Palliative Care (EAPC) is recognised by the Council of Europe. The EAPC actively engages and collaborates with EU policy-makers, the Council of Europe, World Health Organization Europe Office and other stakeholders to anticipate and proactively shape EU health and research policies on palliative care issues. The EAPC provides a forum for all of those either working, or with an interest in palliative care throughout Europe and beyond. The EAPC supports and promotes the development of palliative care through its activities and through its work in developing the practice of palliative care.

The EAPC is respectful of the cultural and political diversity of our members and aims to speak with 'one voice and one vision' on matters that are important in palliative care.

### **EAPC Vision:**

A world without preventable suffering where those with life-threatening illnesses and their families have equitable and timely access to high quality palliative care as an integral part of the healthcare system.

### **EAPC Core Values:**

- Excellence in palliative care
- Interprofessional working and representation
- Embrace diversity and promote inclusion
- Work collaboratively

### **EAPC Mission:**

To promote the development of high quality palliative care across the life span by fostering and sharing palliative care education, research, policy and evidence-based practice.

To enable us to achieve our mission we have set the following strategic objectives:

1. Support global advocacy organisations and other initiatives seeking to develop palliative care in resource poor countries around the world.
2. Be a strong, successful, and sustainable European membership organisation focused on palliative care.
3. Through education, increase awareness and knowledge related to palliative care for health care workers, the public and volunteers and increase skills for healthcare professionals.
4. Improve and strengthen the ways we engage with our members.
5. Support and disseminate research and development on all aspects of palliative care.



6. Support and promote the development and integration of palliative care in countries throughout Europe.
7. Support the development and progression of palliative care education for all of those working in specialist palliative care.
8. Promote the role of palliative care policy development to effect change, as an effective and powerful advocacy tool for access to, and improvement of, palliative care throughout Europe.
9. Facilitate the ongoing development of palliative care leadership nationally and internationally.
10. Collaborate effectively with affiliated organisations and seek opportunities to foster new collaborations and partnerships.

Through all our activities with our members, and the wider palliative care community we aim to speak with one voice and have one vision, to support and promote equitable, timely access to palliative care across Europe. Whilst promoting this collective approach, we also consider the social, cultural, economic, and legal variations which impact our members, enabling us to support them appropriately.