



Beating liver cancer in Europe – the empowerment of prevention and early detection
Friday 22 October, 2021
Virtual event

11:00 – 11:10	Introduction
2 min	Opening remarks - Mariya Gabriel, EU Commissioner for Innovation, Research, Culture, Education and Youth, DG EAC (tbc)
2 min	Opening remarks - Janez Poklukar, Minister of Health of the Republic of Slovenia
2 min	Welcome address - Thomas Berg, EASL Secretary-General
2 min	Welcome address - Marko Korenjak, ELPA President
11:10 – 12:30	Session 1 – Liver cancer prevention and health promotion Co-chairs: Thomas Berg, EASL Secretary General Marko Korenjak, ELPA President
2 min	Session presentation by co-chairs
5 min	EASL Open Letter: 10 Asks to Improve Liver Cancer Care in Europe Maria Buti, EASL Policy Councillor Chief of Internal Medicine and Hepatology at the Hospital General Universitari Valle Hebron, Barcelona, Spain
15 min	The burden of liver cancer in Europe – a possible holistic approach to cancer prevention with the liver cancer case: expert perspectives

5 min	The burden of liver cancer in Europe - Peter Galle, Liver Cancer Expert, University Medical Center Mainz, Germany
5 min	Prevention of liver cancer with vaccination and treatment - Peter Jepsen, EASL PPHC member, Hepato-epidemiologist, Aarhus University Hospital, Denmark
5 min	Viral hepatitis elimination and treatment - example from Slovenia - Mojca Matičič, EASL PPHC member, infectious diseases and internal medicine specialist, University Medical Centre Ljubljana, Slovenia
15 min	Adequate awareness and prevention for liver cancer across all regions and countries among patients and families, risk groups, policymakers, and the public: patient perspectives
5 min	Example from Spain - Dr Teresa Casanovas, ELPA patient representative
5 min	Example from Israel - Julio Burman, ELPA patient representative
5 min	Example from Romania - Marinela Debu, ELPA patient representative
40 min Open discussion	What can we achieve together on cancer prevention? Actions needed at EU level
	John Ryan, Director of Public Health Country Knowledge and Crisis Management, DG SANTE
	Session conclusions by co-chairs
12:30 - 14:00	Lunch

14:00 – 15:40	Session 2 – Liver Cancer: Early detection and screening Co-chairs: Maria Buti, EASL Policy Councillor Mojca Matičič, EASL PPHC member
2 min	Session presentation by co-chairs
15 min	The importance of early detection of liver disease and patient monitoring for liver cancer prevention
	Pierre Nahon, Liver cancer expert, Hôpitaux Universitaires Paris-Seine-Saint-Denis, France
20 min	Challenges in screening, access to care and treatments – it is time to reduce the inequalities in Europe
10 min	East-West Europe divided - Marko Korenjak, ELPA President
10 min	Example from North Macedonia - Milan Mishkovikj, ELPA patient representative
20 min	Open discussion: New Cancer Screening Scheme (2021-2025): EU actions
10 min	Joanna Drake Co-chair of the cancer mission in DG RTD (tbc)
10 min	Partha Basu Head screening group on early detection and prevention IARC
5 min	Good examples: collaboration at EU level and Horizon projects
	Maria Reig, Liver cancer expert, Barcelona Clinic Liver Cancer Group, Liver Unit, Barcelona
25 min	Q&A
3 min	Concluding remarks from EASL Secretary General & ELPA President