

# canSERV: Impact and Future Perspectives

## Agenda

25-26 March 2026, Pullman Hotel, Brussels

### DAY 1 | Wednesday, 25 March

TIME	PROGRAMME
12:00 – 13:00	<b>Arrival and light lunch</b>
13:00 – 13:15	<b>Welcoming remarks</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>Jens K. Habermann</b>, <i>BBMRI-ERIC Director General</i></li> </ul>
13:15 – 14:15	<b>Perspectives on canSERV and its impact – part 1</b>  <i>Moderated by Jens K. Habermann, BBMRI-ERIC Director General</i>  <b>Speakers:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>Angelo Solimini</b>, <i>Policy Officer, DG Research &amp; Innovation, Cancer Mission Secretariat - EC policy perspective</i></li> <li>▪ <b>Christine Chomienne</b>, <i>Vice Chair Cancer Mission Board and Chair of canSERV SEAB – canSERV SEAB perspective</i></li> <li>▪ <b>Richard Stephens</b>, <i>Patient Advocate &amp; Expert and Vice-Chair of canSERV SEAB - Patients' perspective</i></li> </ul>
14:15 – 15:20	<b>Perspectives on canSERV and its impact – part 2</b> <b>Scientific cross-RI applications (15 minutes + 5 min Q&amp;A each)</b> <i>Moderated by Johanna Bischof, EURO-BIOIMAGING and Manuela Pausan, BBMRI-ERIC</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>Maria Tsoumakidou</b>, <i>Senior Researcher at B.S.R.C Alexander Fleming, Greece</i></li> <li>▪ <b>Pavla Bouchalová</b>, <i>Senior Researcher at Masaryk University, Czech Republic &amp; Marcin Słomka</i>, <i>University of Łódź, Poland</i></li> <li>▪ <b>Elly Soltani</b>, <i>Researcher at University Medical Center Utrecht, the Netherlands</i></li> </ul>
15:20 – 15:50	<b>Group picture</b> <b>Coffee break</b>
15:50 – 16:10	<b>Presentation from UNCAN-Connect</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>Kadi-Liis Veiman</b>, <i>UNCAN-Connect coordinator and Head of Estonian Cancer Network, University of Tartu</i></li> </ul>
16:10 – 17:40	<b>Future of Cancer Mission and Beating Cancer Plan and the role of RIs and canSERV</b>  <b>Roundtable discussion</b> <i>Moderated by Zisis Kozlakidis, IARC/WHO Head of Laboratory Services and Biobanking and Jens K. Habermann, BBMRI-ERIC Director General</i>

**Panellists:**

- **Angelo Solimini**, *Policy Officer, DG Research & Innovation, Cancer Mission Secretariat - EC policy perspective*
- **Jacques Demotes**, *ECRIN Director General*
- **Kadi-Liis Veiman**, *UNCAN-Connect coordinator*
- **Juan-Jose Ventura**, *Research and Patient Engagement Director, Cancer Patients Europe*
- **Enzo Medico**, *Leader of European Molecular Tumour Board Network Initiative*

17:40 – **Closing remarks**

- 17:50   ▪ **Jens K. Habermann**, *BBMRI-ERIC Director General*

18:00 – **Free programme**

19:00

19:00   **Dinner, Pullman Hotel**

## DAY 2| Thursday, 26 March

09:00- **Welcoming remarks**

09:10

09:10- Presentations from canSERV users 20 min + 5 min Q&A (3 presentations) - 75 min  
 10:40 *Moderated by David Marshall, INSTRUCT and Enzo Medico, UNITO/EurOPDX*

- **Dace Pjanova**, *Tenured Professor at Institute of Microbiology and Virology, Rīga Stradiņš University, Latvia & Marcin Słomka, University of Łódź, Poland*
- **Robert Konrat**, *Professor of Structural Biology at University of Vienna, Austria & Marco Schiavina, CERM, Italy*
- **Eva González-Suárez**, *Group leader at Spanish National Center of Cancer Research (CNIO), Spain & Marieke van de Ven, NKI, Netherlands*

10:40-

11:10

**Coffee Break**

Presentations from canSERV users 15 min + 5 min Q&A (4 presentations) - 80 min  
*Moderated by Asrar Ali Khan, INFRAFRONTIER and Sara Raza-Khan, ECRIN*

- **Claudius Sebastian Mathy**, *Researcher and MD at Uniklinikum Erlangen, Germany*
- **Constantin Tamvakopoulos**, *Research Director of Pharmacology at BRFAA, Greece*
- **Montserrat Cano Biosca**, *Chief Executive Officer at Nanoligent SL, Spain*
- **Stephen Pettitt**, *Senior Researcher at The Institute of Cancer Research, UK & Marieke van de Ven, NKI, Netherlands*

11:10-

12:30

12:30- **Lunch**

13:50

13:50- Presentations from canSERV users 15 min + 5 min Q&A (4 presentations) - 60 min

14:50 *Moderated by Caroline Babisz, EU-OPENSREEN and Emanuela Oldoni, EATRIS*

- **Fernando Torres Andón**, *Researcher at Oncology Department INIBIC/CHUAC, Spain*
- **Julia List**, *Researcher at University of Veterinary Medicine Vienna, Austria*
- **Luigi Scietti**, *Senior Researcher at European Institute of Oncology (IEO), Milan, Italy*

14:50 **Closing remarks for the Scientific Meeting**

15:00 **Coffee break**