



Dear Reference Site Co-ordinator Ketevan Goginashvili,

On behalf of the Reference Site Collaborative Network (RSCN) Executive Board we would like to congratulate your region on being awarded Reference Site status under the 3<sup>rd</sup> Call for Reference Sites.

By becoming a Reference Site, you have demonstrated how your Region has developed and adopted innovation for active and healthy ageing which has improved outcomes for patients and service users, and the sustainability of your health and care systems; and its contribution to economic growth. These real benefits from being a Reference Site can be expanded and scaled-up by collaborating with other Reference Sites to share and transfer learning and experience, and to work on developing solutions to common health and care challenges.

It was for this purpose the RSCN was created in 2013, by bringing together all accredited Reference Sites into a single network to help our members accelerate the development, deployment, and adoption of innovative health and social care solutions, including proven AHA delivery models and digital tools, that provide real impact for patients and citizens, and contribute towards sustainability of services. As the only Collaborative Network for Reference Sites, the RSCN aims to support our Members in Europe, and beyond, to:

- Promote active and healthy ageing by supporting and developing strategic collaborations across Government, Health and Care Providers, Universities and Researchers, Industry, and Citizens to implement innovative and multidimensional approaches to prevent disability, frailty and age-related diseases during the entire life-course, and to support independent living;
- Accelerate the deployment of major innovations which will improve health and care outcomes, and increase the sustainability of health and care systems, and create economic growth and jobs.

This is achieved by:

- Facilitating members to develop, share and adopt good practices and innovative solutions and technologies at scale
- Facilitating the scaling up of evidence-based solutions and technologies through the alignment of practices at regional, national, and international levels
- Influencing and providing strategic input to bodies such as the European Commission, WHO, building on the knowledge and expertise of our regional members;
- Providing thought leadership through expert working groups;



- Protecting information and data shared with us;
- Providing a range of advisory and management services to members

The RSCN is a formal entity registered as an ASLB (non-profit organisation) under Belgian law.

We would like to let you know we have 2 membership categories – Ordinary, and Strategic – and these are outlined in Annex 1. As an awarded Reference Site, you can automatically become an Ordinary Member and begin to avail of the services we offer our Members free of charge: we hope you see the benefits from being a member of the RSCN. All that is required to activate your Ordinary Membership is to complete the Form at Annex 2, which also includes under GDPR requirements your authorisation for the RSCN to hold your contact details so that we may communicate with you and ensure your Reference Site receives our Newsletters and other information on Twinning Opportunities, Funding Calls, Projects, etc.

If at any stage you would like to become a Strategic Member of the RSCN please let us know and we would be delighted to provide more details about it.

We are very happy to welcome you as Member of the RSCN and to collaborating with you and your Reference Site community.

Yours sincerely

Jean Bousquet  
Co-Chair

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Co-Chair

**Annex 1**

**RSCN Categories of Membership**

Benefit	Membership Category	
	Strategic	Ordinary
Member of General Assembly	✓	✓
Twinning Opportunities	✓	✓
Partner opportunities on RSCN led Projects	✓	✓
Membership of RSCN Thematic Groups	✓	✓
Information on evidence-based good practices	✓	✓
Information on Funding Calls	✓	✓
Partnership Search	✓	✓
Quarterly Newsletters	✓	✓
Eligibility for election to Executive Board	✓ *	✓ **
Membership of Project Advisory Boards	✓	✓
Participate in RSCN Webinars	✓	✓
Promotion of Reference Site events to RSCN Members	✓	✓
Expert Speakers for Reference Site events	✓	✓
Advocacy Services	✓	✓
Reduced Registration Fees for RSCN organised events	✓	
Reduced Management Services and Advisory Fees	✓	
Financial Support for 1 representative from the Reference Site to attend an RSCN approved event (1 per year)	✓	
Notes: * 8 positions on the Executive Board are held by Strategic Members ** 2 positions on the Executive Board are held by Ordinary Members		
<b>Membership Fees - 2020</b>		
<u>Ordinary Member</u>	<u>Strategic Member</u>	
Free	€5,000 per annum	



**Annex 2**

**GDPR Consent**

The (*Name of Reference Site*) .....

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wishes to activate Ordinary Membership of the RSCN and in doing so I authorise the organisation to manage the personal data I provided as a partner in the regulatory framework of the GDPR (EU) n.2016/679, in place since May 25th, 2018, for the collaborative purposes of the RSCN.

Name of Reference Site:

Name of Reference Site Co-ordinator:

Signed:

Date: