



# Pain Alliance Europe

The Voice of People With Chronic Pain





## MISSION

Improve the quality of life of people living with chronic pain in Europe.



## AIMS

For PAE, quality of life for a chronic pain patient means giving the patient the right to choose the best possible solutions and support to live his life according to his possibilities and wishes.

PAE aims to raise awareness of chronic pain, to promote a European policy on chronic pain and to reduce the impact of chronic pain in all areas of European society.



## OBJECTIVES

- Work in close relation with the other stakeholders;
- Gather and distribute relevant information on chronic pain from the patient's point of view;
- Establish good relations with potential sponsors;
- Promote and or initiate research on chronic pain;
- Grow the association;
- Obtain visibility through events, website and media coverage.



Pain Alliance Europe (PAE), founded in 2011, is a European umbrella organization of national / regional associations involved in chronic pain, regardless of any underlying condition.

Working from its mission statement, PAE is always looking for opportunities to cooperate to follow up on that. This has led to PAE being awarded prizes: in 2014, the '60 & over' prize presented by the Italian Minister of Health, and in 2016 the 'Institutions Excelling in the Field of Pain' prize by EFHRE International University Excellence Award.

#### Other cooperative activities:

- with ACN (Active Citizenship Network) and Grünenthal in the Pain Patients Pathway Recommendations project;
- with EFNA in the creation of the European Parliament interest group on Brain, Mind and Pain;
- with EPF/EFIC as a cooperative partner for the Societal Impact of Pain symposium;
- with Boston Scientific in an awareness campaign called Red Balloon project.

PAE is participating in scientific project proposals and in presenting its case in several events in the European Parliament. This raises awareness not only of the medical issues, but also of the social and economic problems that chronic pain patients experience. These are problems which occur by not seeing the patient as a person and not respecting a basic patient right:

## THE RIGHT TO BE BELIEVED!

## PAE MEMBERS

<p>Austria</p> 	<p>Cyprus</p> 	<p>Denmark</p> 	<p>Finland</p> 
<p>France</p> 	<p>Malta</p> 	<p>Romania</p> 	<p>Sweden</p> 
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