# 2022 Our international activities 2023





Under the supervision of the Ministry of Health, the Agence de la biomédecine contributes to the work of the European Commission and the Council of Europe. It also carries out cooperation activities at the request of national authorities, Ministries of Health and Foreign Affairs, in conjunction with embassies and international organisations [WHO].

At European level, the agency participates in working groups to draw up or develop regulations and best practice guidelines. It contributes to collaborative projects funded by the European Union.

On a global scale, it takes action to promote organ removal and transplantation, while ensuring that its values are respected (transparency, expertise, solidarity, etc.).

In collaboration with professional and institutional partners, these actions are based on the existence of a regulatory and ethical framework in the respective countries.



The aim is for everyone to ambrace the expertise in their own way. You have to pass on what you've learned while adapting to local hospital systems. To take part in international relations projects, you need to be very flexible and able to do things differently. By immersing yourself in each culture, exchanges become extremely rich.



#### **Laurent Durin**

National referral physician for the development of living donor transplants at the Agence de la biomédecine



Collaboration between the Romanian National Transplant Agency and the Agence de la biomédecine has proven beneficial across various domains such as training, policy development, registries, best practice and tissue banking. Having a reliable partner to work alongside is crucial, particularly when navigating the implementation of EU policies in a developing member state. Looking ahead, we aspire to expand our partnership into additional areas, such as research and joint projects



Guenadiy Vatachki, Director General of the National Transplant Agency in Romania





As part of the French Embassy's technical cooperation in Tunisia, the partnership between the Agence de la biomédecine and the CNPTO\* forms a solid basis for making significant advances in the field of organ, tissue and cell transplantation.

The financial support of the French Embassy in Tunisia is essential for bringing these innovative projects to fruition and to strengthening medical infrastructure in Tunisia, promoting access to specialized care and an increasing in organ transplants."



Basma Ben Salem-Kraiem, Head of Health, Technical Cooperation Department, Institut Français de Tunisie, French Embassy in Tunisia

\* National Center for the Promotion of Organ Transplantation

## INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

2022-2023

# **8**COLLABORATIONS

**5** signed agreement Algeria, Lebanon, Moldova, Romania. Tunisia

**3** collaborating countries Kenya, Morocco, Senegal

# 25 HEALTHCARE PROFESSIONALS

welcomed in health establishments or to the agency's training courses.

#### **EXPERT MISSIONS**

Assessment of organ removal and transplantation activities in different countries.

≈425 K€

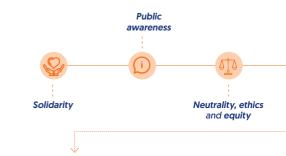
Raised from funders ministries of foreign affairs, social ministries, embassies

# A customized partnership

#### **Scope of collaboration**



#### **Sharing our values**



#### **Our actions together**

and transplantation, and coordination with embassies

Partnership Drafting of regulatory and legislative documents

**Promotion** of donation







contexts

#### France Maghreb Symposium 2022

The ninth edition of the France-Maghreb symposium on transplantation, aimed at creating exchanges between Maghreb countries and France and contributing to the improvement of organ and tissue removal and transplantation activities.

130 participants, Paris

≈ 208 **K€** budget

4 working groups

1 joint declaration signed to set up a committee to follow up the recommendations of the working groups.

#### EUROPEAN AFFAIRS

# **European commission**



#### Implementing regulations

#### **OBJECTIVES**

- > Definition and implementation of european Union policies
- > Financing european projects
- Harmonization of practices within member states

#### **AGENCY ACTIONS**

- Coordination of european projects through the EU4HEALTH and HORIZON programs
- > Support for the implementation of european standards in France (regulations and directives) Inter-agency organization for national implementation of the "substances of human origin".

≈ 280 **K€** made available by the European Commission in 2022-2023 to carry out these projects.

# Council of Europe



#### **Drafting recommendations**

#### **OBJECTIVES**

- > Protection of human rights
- > Strengthening democracy
- > Rule of law in Europe
- > Combating organ trafficking

## THE AGENCY'S EXPERTS ON A MISSION FOR EUROPE

### Help in drafting recommendations

- European directorate for the quality of medicines and healthcare
- European Committee on organ transplantation



Europe plays a key role in the field of tissue and cell procurement and transplantation. It is at this level that minimum quality and safety requirements are set for all member countries. The Agence de la biomédecine has become a privileged interlocutor with European authorities.

I am fortunate to have been appointed tissue expert for the 4th and 5th editions of the Guide to the quality and safety of tissues and cells.

Being able to speak for France and make our positions heard is an undeniable asset that it's important to maintain.



Isabelle Martinache.
Physician in charge of tissues and tissue banks at the Agence de la biomédecine.

# FŒDUS "a success story"

#### MISSION

Cross-border organ exchange tool launched in 2012 and funded by the European Commission.

Allocated organs come from deceased donors without a compatible recipient in their country of origin.

In France, around 400 organs from French donors with no compatible recipients are offered to member countries, and around 40 organs received from abroad are transplanted

1/3 pediatric donors and

to a French patient.

443 M potential recipients.

25 member countries

#### **ORGANS**



heart



kidnev



luna



www.foedus-eoeo.eu/#/public

## THE AGENCY AND WHO\*

Process of designating the agency as a WHO collaborating center\*.

- Activities in support of the Organization's programs.
- Development.
- Institutional capacitybuilding in countries and regions.

#### NEW AREAS OF ACTION

Development of cooperation and activity programs in the areas of MAP\*\* and HSC\*\*\*.

## INFORMATION SYSTEM

Transfer of Cristal\*\*\*\* experience to our international partners.

Computerization of data in collaborating countries.

#### **EUROKEP**

Upcoming european project on kidney exchange program.

- \* World Health Organization
- \*\* Medically Assisted Procreation
- \*\*\* Hematopoietic Stem Cells
- \*\*\* IT tool developed by the Agence de la biomédecine for organ removal and transplantation.



# INTERNATIONAL STRATEGY

Strategy in line with global health policy, aimed at enhancing the agency's expertise.

# DR COOPER MEMBERSHIP

Mapping of cooperation between french, european and international players in the healthcare sector.



Since its creation, the agency has been involved in a wide range of projects and many international partnerships.

In the coming years, it is essential that we build on the enriching experience we have gained through our partners to consolidate our initiatives into a coherent and unified international strategy.



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