



# Alliance4Life

Alliance4Life is a bottom-up initiative of ten leading life science institutions from nine EU-13 countries that aim at closing the divide in European health research and innovation. Members of the Alliance are **progressive research institutions** that have the necessary strength to **stimulate institutional change**.

Large-scale ESIF investments into the life science infrastructure alone could not close the R&I gap in Europe so far, financial support needs to be complemented by **measures on research and innovation strategy at institutional and national levels**. Institutions gathered in this Alliance believe that improving governance and managerial practices as well as **transforming institutional culture** will enhance efficiency and increase return on investment.

Alliance members will join forces and share good practice through a Horizon2020 supported collaboration. The partnership will focus on raising their institutional profiles to attract and retain international talents and to provide the right operational framework conditions including **improved research management**. Moreover, the goal is to help overcoming traditional national conditions inherited from the communist era that were neglected during the political transformation in the CEE region. Alliance4Life intends to become a role model for institutions in less performing regions and to serve as a hub of excellence through close collaboration with renowned European networks established in high performing countries. The Alliance will contribute to **science policy and shape priorities at national and EU levels**, especially with insight suggestions on how to increase participation in the Framework Programme and on using synergies between ESIF and FP to their full potential.

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5	UZSM	University of Zagreb School of Medicine	HR
6	UT	University of Tartu	EE
7	VU	Vilnius University – Faculty of Medicine	LT
8	LIOS	Latvian Institute of Organic Synthesis	LV
9	UL	University of Ljubljana	SI
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