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TEMPLATE

Letter for designation of an Associated National Centre

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In accordance with the Statement of the ERN Board of Member States on the definition and minimum recommended criteria for Associated National Centres and Coordination Hubs adopted in the Board meeting of 10 October 2017ⁱ, I, the undersigned Click or tap here to enter text. in my capacity as Click or tap here to enter text. designate the below named Healthcare Provider as Associated National Centreⁱⁱ to join the following Network:

Bone disorders (ERN BOND)	☐	Skin disorders (ERN Skin)	☐	Congenital malformations and rare intellectual disability (ERN ITHACA)	☐
Craniofacial anomalies and ENT disorders (ERN CRANIO)	☐	Adult cancers (ERN EURACAN)	☐	Hereditary metabolic disorders (MetabERN)	☐
Endocrine conditions (ENDO-ERN)	☐	Haematological diseases (ERN EuroBloodNet)	☐	Paediatric cancer (haemato- oncology) (ERN PaedCan)	☐
Epilepsies (ERN EpiCARE)	☐	Urogenital diseases and conditions (ERN eUROGEN)	☐	Hepatological diseases (ERN RARE-LIVER)	☐
Kidney diseases (ERKNet)	☐	Neuromuscular diseases (ERN EURO-NMD)	☐	Connective tissue and musculoskeletal diseases (ERN ReCONNET)	☐
Neurological diseases (ERN-RND)	☐	Eye diseases (ERN EYE)	☐	Immunodeficiency, autoinflammatory and autoimmune diseases (ERN RITA)	☐
Inherited and congenital abnormalities (ERNICA)	☐	Genetic tumor risk syndromes (ERN GENTURIS)	☐	Transplantation in children (ERN TRANSPLANT-CHILD)	☐
Respiratory diseases (ERN LUNG)	☐	Diseases of the heart (ERN GUARD-HEART)	☐	Multisystemic vascular diseases (VASCERN)	☐

Check the box for the Network the Associated National Centre wishes to join.

Information on the Healthcare Provider:

Healthcare Provider's name:	Click or tap here to enter text.	
Address:	Click or tap here to enter text.	
Chief Executive Officer of the Healthcare Provider:	Name: Click or tap here to enter text.	
	Tel.: Click or tap here to enter text.	E-mail: Click or tap here to enter text.
Representative of the Healthcare Provider in the ERN:	Name: Click or tap here to enter text.	
	Tel.: Click or tap here to enter text.	E-mail: Click or tap here to enter text.

This designation letter includes an annex with the description of the Associated National Centre, highlighting how the Associated National Centre complies with the set of minimum recommended criteria identified in the Board Statement of 10 October 2017.

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[Signature]

National Competent Authority

i https://ec.europa.eu/health/sites/health/files/ern/docs/boms_affiliated_partners_en.pdf

ii Associated National Centre as described in the ERN Board of Member States Statement of 10 October 2017:
Associated National Centre is an Affiliated Partner **with a special link to a given Network** (see recital 4 of Commission Delegated Decision 2014/286/EU of 10 March 2014).
As recalled by the Board Statement of 10 October 2017, an Associated National Centre is “a healthcare provider with at least some special expertise matching the global thematic domain of a given reference network that concentrates primarily on the provision of healthcare directly related to the activities and services of this specific network, including any type of diagnostic contribution supporting this provision of healthcare. Associated National Centres can therefore comprise any of the following institutions:

- Clinics and departments/clinical units providing direct outpatient and/or inpatient services to patients;
- Medical and genetic diagnostic laboratories;
- Pathological laboratories;
- Specific facilities for instrument-based diagnostics”.