



# Research Agenda for Health Economic Evaluation



## What is RAHEE?

The Research Agenda for Health Economic Evaluation (RAHEE) is implemented by the World Health Organization Representation to the EU.

It is a research project aiming to give recommendations on future health economic research, in order to improve health system efficiency.

It draws on expertise from across the EU, with partners in Poland, Slovenia, Belgium, England, Spain, France, Netherlands, Sweden, Portugal and Italy.

Health economic research is crucial for understanding the costs and benefits of health services and programs, pharmaceuticals, medical devices and public health interventions.

Addressing evidence gaps and methodological issues identified by the project will help to improve economic evidence for health care decision making.

## How?



## Findings

Recommendations for the EU in the field of health economics research and practice :

- Understanding how cost-effectiveness thresholds should be determined
- Increasing use of real-world data as opposed to purely clinical trial data
- Engaging early with Health Technology Assessment agencies to improve chances new therapies will be cost-effective
- Tools to measure health benefits that are not currently quantifiable
- Standardization of economic models to improve re-use and transferability
- Assessment of complex treatment pathways and combinations
- Associations between patient characteristics and outcomes

Full findings can be accessed on:

<http://www.euro.who.int/en/RAHEEproject>