

## THE BUDAPEST COMMITMENTS – project document

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Background information is available on the EAPC website:

(<http://www.eapcnet.org/congresses/Budapest2007/Budapest2007Commitments.htm>)

Country **Austria** Date **14.04.2008**

Organisation **Austrian Society of Palliative Care ([www.palliativ.at](http://www.palliativ.at))**  
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If not, give a short description of the organisation

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Short description of the underlying problems that the commitments are aimed at

**High quality clinical research is hampered by the fact, that only a limited number of patients are available in each palliative care center for enrollment in clinical research projects. Palliative care units in Austria are obliged to follow standardized structural and organizational standards developed by the Austrian Federal Institute of Health. This results in quite similar patients in all Austrian palliativ care centers and would provide the ideal basis of performing clinical studies**

**The aim of the commitment is to improve collaboration in clinical research in palliative care units in Austria**

Description of commitments (if more than one please list, please try to define clear, realistic and measurable goals for each commitment)

**1. Organisation of a nationwide platform (AUPACS = AUstrian PAlliative Care Study group) to perform clinical studies in PC**

**2. Initiation of clinical studies**

**3. Submission of research papers**

Goal, measurement of success and time (please list at least one outcome measurement for each commitment)

**1. Organisation of platform in 2008**

**2. Initiation of the first study in 2008**

3. Submission of the first study for publication 2009

Short description of methodology and working process

**n.a.**

In collaboration or cooperation with other organisations

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Names of other organisations