

New Partnership with the International Association of National Public Health Institutes

The Agency has established a new key partnership with the International Association of National Public Health Institutes (IANPHI).

IANPHI is a global network of national public health institutes (NPHIs) that aims to improve disease prevention and response, through development of stronger and better coordinated public health systems in countries where these structures are absent or not adequately supported.

IANPHI's activities fall into three main areas: national projects – providing direct funding to create or strengthen NPHIs in low-resource countries; policy development – advocating and developing a practical toolkit to promote investment in public health systems; and leadership development – providing a platform for peer-to-peer support, knowledge sharing, and cooperation among NPHI directors.

IANPHI works with a network of partners, which includes global health organizations (including WHO), government agencies, businesses, foundations, and associations, each with a commitment to supporting and advocating for strong national public health systems.

IARC has had strong links with NPHIs throughout its history. Dr Christopher Wild, IARC Director, said, "This new partnership will further strengthen the efforts of both organizations in the development and implementation of public health initiatives for cancer and non-communicable disease prevention worldwide." Dr Wild added that the new partnership "reflects the fact that much cancer research relevant to the Agency's activities is conducted by national public health institutes, making them natural partners for IARC".

Link:

IANPHI Internet home page: <http://www.ianphi.org>