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Dear friends of the Agency,

I am delighted to share with you the outcomes of the 72nd session of the WHO Regional Committee for Europe, which I attended in Tel Aviv, Israel, on 12-14 September 2022, for strategic discussions on cancer prevention and control. Discussions were focused on the dissemination of IARC scientific evidence to support and reinforce the programmes of the WHO Regional Office for Europe, especially the European framework for action on alcohol and the roadmap to accelerate the elimination of cervical cancer as a public health problem in the WHO European Region 2022-2030.

In September, IARC marked Rare Cancer Day by highlighting the burden of disease attributable to rare cancer types and the work IARC researchers are doing to address these tumour types.

IARC also marked Childhood Cancer Awareness Month during September, by highlighting the global burden of childhood cancer and IARC's actions to prevent and address childhood cancer worldwide.

This month, IARC marked **Breast Cancer Awareness Month** by focusing on the need for breast cancer screening worldwide and on the intergenerational effects of breast cancer deaths.

It is my great pleasure to announce that Dr Mathilde His, a Postdoctoral Scientist in the Nutrition and Metabolism Branch, has received a Young Talent Award France 2022 For Women in Science from the L'Oréal Foundation, in partnership with the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO). Congratulations, Mathilde!

Finally, as we are preparing to close the old IARC premises and are finishing packing, I take this opportunity to express my sincere thanks to all IARC personnel for their continued efforts over the past years in preparing for the move to the Nouveau Centre, especially to the personnel of the laboratories who are working so hard for the smooth transfer of the equipment and of the IARC Biobank.

We look forward to welcoming our personnel and friends of IARC to our new headquarters in 2023.

Best regards,

**Dr Elisabete Weiderpass**IARC Director

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#### Focus on the Learning and Capacity-Building Branch



# IARC Postdoctoral Fellowships and IARC Mid-Career Visiting Scientist Award

The call for applications for IARC Postdoctoral Fellowships in 2023-2025 is open for early-career scientists from low- and middle-income countries (LMICs), in any fitting area of cancer research, as well as for two specific Fellowships for cancer research in children, teenagers, and young adults.

The IARC Mid-Career Visiting Scientist Award is also open for applications and is for a qualified and experienced mid-career investigator from a LMIC who wishes to come to IARC for a period of 6-12 months.

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### World Cancer Report (WCR) Updates Teaching Toolkit

IARC, in collaboration with the European Society for Medical Oncology (ESMO), is pleased to announce the launch of the WCR Updates Teaching Toolkit on Cancer Research for Cancer Prevention. Based on the valuable content of World Cancer Report, the free toolkit is designed to support anyone involved in transmitting knowledge and skills on cancer research for cancer prevention. The material can be used in a modular and flexible way and can be adapted for use in different settings. Join the WCR Updates platform to discuss the latest scientific evidence and share about what your topics of interest are by completing a survey.

Visit the platform



## Launch of online learning path: Introduction to Cancer Prevention and Early Detection

A new free learning resource on cancer prevention and early detection is available on the IARC Learning portal. This self-paced learning path will take participants through various resources, which cover the basic concepts and principles related to cancer prevention and early detection. Complete the path and receive a certificate if you intend to apply for the IARC Summer School 2023 module on "Implementing Cancer Prevention and Early Detection".

**Enrol** now



Video: the Cancer Screening Five Continents (CanScreen5) training programme for African countries

this video, course participants describe the challenges of focusing on cancer prevention during the COVID-19 pandemic, the value of the CanScreen5 training, and how they plan to disseminate their new knowledge in their countries.

Watch the video



The IARC Summer School 2023 call for applications will open soon

Two modules will be offered, "Introduction to Cancer Epidemiology" and "Implementing Cancer Prevention and Early Detection", both as blended programmes, combining online and face-toface training in IARC's new headquarters! Subscribers to the IARC Newsletter will be notified when the call opens!

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Promising young researchers trained IARC at supported by partners

A new agreement has been signed with Children with Cancer UK for two additional Postdoctoral Fellows to join IARC in 2023. A total of four talented young researchers will have been supported by the charity since 2021. The Mark Foundation for Cancer Research supported Postdoctoral Fellowship in 2022. These key supports enable IARC to help build capacity in cancer prevention research globally.

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UICC's Technical Fellowships and Bourses pour l'Afrique Francophone 2022 calls are open for applications until 31 December, alongside the 2022 YY Study Grants call, which is now open and closes on 30 November.

Virtual fellowships continue to be available for UICC members.



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