

ABOUT US



EUROPA DONNA



Europa Donna – The European Breast Cancer Coalition works with 47 member countries and their communities to raise awareness of breast cancer and to mobilise support of European women by pressing for improved breast cancer education, appropriate screening, optimal treatment and increased funding for research.





EUROPA DONNA ADVOCACY FOR QUALITY OF CARE IMPROVEMENT IN PATIENTS WITH MBC



We were among the awardees of the 2021-2023 SPCC/Pfizer grant and with it we launched the Europa Donna Advocacy for Quality of Care Improvement in Patients with MBC project, with a goal to drive positive change through the creation of a European-wide campaign to raise awareness of MBC.

How we did it:

- 2021 Survey Report
- 2 yearly MBC online Conferences
- Cancer Currency Campaign





2021 SURVEY REPORT



"Breast cancer groups and activities are mainly focused on early breast cancer, the 'survivors'"

From our results, we received invaluable insight from patients across Europe into the needs of people with MBC.

Key issues identified:

- National Cancer Registry that includes MBC on secondary diagnosis
- Psychosocial support for partners/caregivers
- Financial support for those undergoing treatment
- Access to the most effective treatments financed by the public health system with shared decision making at every step





MBC ADVOCACY CONFERENCES - online



We held 2 online MBC Advocacy Conferences where we connected experts, advocates and patients to speak on the latest research, newly available treatments for MBC, emotional support for patients and their caregivers, patient/doctor communication and advocacy strategies, the importance of shared decision making process, employment flexibility and the benefits of physical exercise on fatigue and other important treatment side effects.



MBC - THE CANCER CURRENCY



Our campaign, 'The Cancer Currency' is a new, **priceless paper currency** featuring the names, faces, and stories of real women living with MBC.

We created the most valuable currency in the world to represent the immense worth that every person living with MBC holds, however long that life may be.

Reminding everyone that those with metastatic disease have value...







MBC CAMPAIGN – THE BANKNOTES







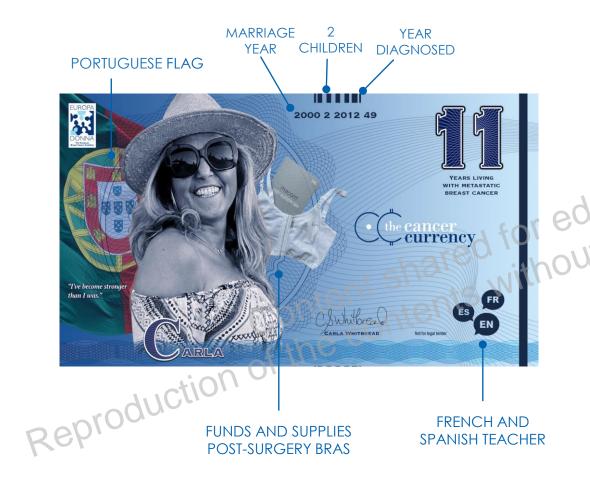




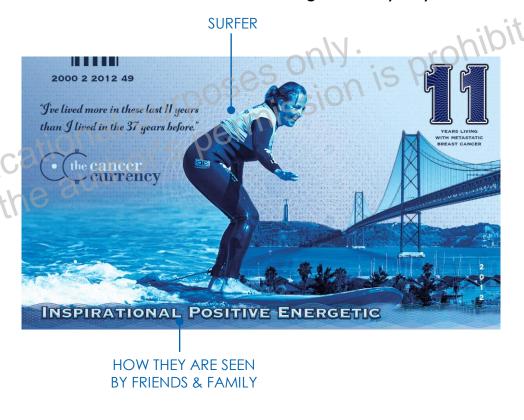




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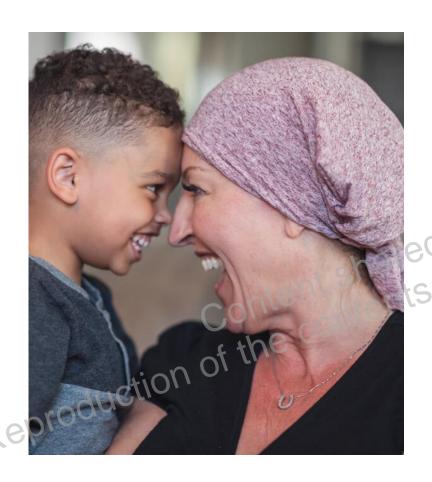
Each banknote was made unique for each of our women, telling their stories through smaller yet symbolic details.







OUR ASKS



EUROPA DONNA ASKS TO POLICY MAKERS: - Increase Awareness of MBC

- Improve the counting of patients with MBC
- Facilitate pathways to treatment and care
- Increase social and practical support for people with MBC
- Act Now





The Value of Life



SEE ME

Increase awareness of MBC

Ensure MBC is more visible and widely understood, not just focus on early detection

Claudia Altmann-Pospischek









Make a Difference

COUNT ME

Improve the counting of patients with MBC

Cases of MBC are only counted if the

Cases of MBC are only counted if the cancer is already metastatic at the first diagnosis.

Carla Whitbread PORTUGAL









Fight Live Smile



Facilitate pathways to treatment point and care

Governments, policymakers, and pharmaceutical companies need to maximise access to clinical trials, HTA treatments and cover costs to increase accessibility.

Paola Cornero ITALY







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SUPPORT ME

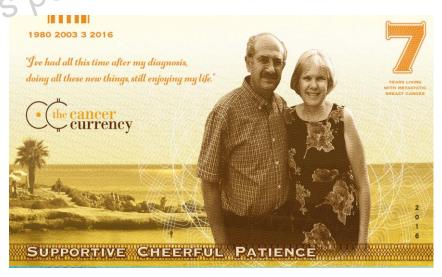
Increase social and practical support for people with MBC should have equal access to

People with MBC should have equal access to tailored support programmes — including connected social, practical, and financial plans.

Joyce Xenophontos CYPRUS











"One day, yes, we will be gone, but our stories? They will stay."



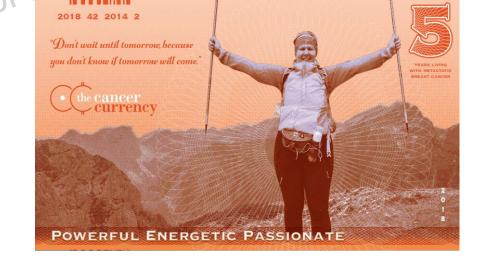
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Ensure MBC is more visible and widely understood, not just focus on early detection and stages 1 to 3.

Simona Ahcin **SLOVENIA**



Remembering Simona 1976-2023



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