



SAFE-ICU COST Action

Action First Management Committee Meeting

On October 2025, the first kick-off meeting of the SAFE-ICU COST Action was held in Brussels with the participation of 29 Management Committee members. The meeting focused on introducing the COST framework, defining the Action's objectives, establishing the governance structure, and planning the first Grant Period activities and budget. Key leadership positions, including Chair, Vice-Chair, Working Group Leaders, and Science Communication Coordinator, were elected. The Management Committee also approved the Action structure, Core Group mandates, and Working Group membership evaluation criteria.

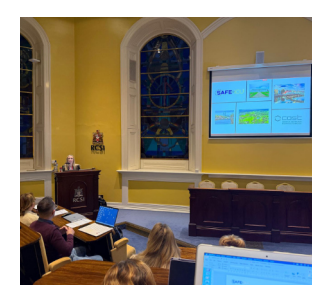
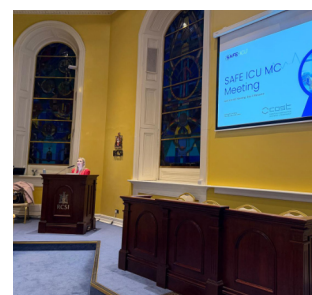


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On the first day, Natalie McEvoy opened the meeting in her role as Action Chair of the SAFE-ICU COST Action. Professor Tom O'Connor, President of the European Pressure Ulcer Advisory Panel, delivered an excellent presentation. Associate Professor Nurten Ozen, a core group member and Science Communication Coordinator of the Action, presented ongoing work on communication channels and outlined future plans. Dr. Pedro Arévalo Buitrago, a core group member and grant awarding coordinator, published the grant holders and give



information about the process.

The associations and collaborations established within SAFE-ICU—particularly those focusing on patient safety in intensive care units—represent not only cooperation but also strong partnerships built on trust, shared values, and a common vision. Key contributions were highlighted from Zaneta Bogoevska Miteva, President of the European Federation of Critical Care Nursing Associations; Dr. Margo Van Mol, Board Member of the European Society of Intensive Care Medicine; and Dr. Adriano Friganović, President of the European Specialist Nurses Organisations.

On the second day, working group leaders presented their activities carried out with their members. The meeting concluded with closing remarks by the Vice Chair. Core group members of the SAFE-ICU COST Action also came together to evaluate the strategic direction of





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About SAFE-ICU

The Intensive Care Unit (ICU) is a complex environment, where nurses are trained to deliver highly specialized care to critically ill patients. The ICU is a rapidly changing environment with new treatments and interventions emerging. However, despite advancements in care practices and treatment protocols, there remains significant variability in patient safety related outcomes. The World Health Organisation estimates that 1 in 10 patients are harmed in healthcare settings and that as many as 80% of these harms are avoidable.

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