



# FUTURE OF COCANCPG NETWORK

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# What have we achieved?

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- A trustful network of organizations involved in guidelines development
- Defined standards of practice and common tools
- Joint developments of guidelines
- A method for adaptation of guidelines
- A database to connect CPG to clinical research
- Sharing of experiences & knowledges through Joint trainings



# Future challenges

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**SHORT TERM :**  
**Share achievements**



**MID TERM :**  
**Sustain current activities**



**LONG TERM :**  
**Develop new activities**





# 1. SHARE ACHIEVEMENTS



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# CoCanCPG Website



- <http://www.cocancpg.eu/>
  - Collaborative section for Partners
  - Public section with updated information on the network



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# Communication has been done

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- Annual & Stakeholders meetings
- International meetings
  - GIN 2007 – 2008 – 2009, UICC 2008, ISQUA 2008
    - Presentation of CoCanCPG
    - Benchmarking exercise
    - Database of cancer uncertainties
    - CocanADAPTE manual
    - Common tools and Joint development
- National meetings
  - CLARA 2008 (France) – Benchmarking
  - ACCC annual meeting 2009
- 4 articles



# More results to be shared (1)

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## ■ Pending articles

- Avoiding duplication of effort: defining common tools and formats as a basis for sharing cancer guideline development (leader ACCC)
- Collaborative benchmarking of cancer guideline development processes: results of an innovative approach (leader SIGN)
- Press release on Cordis Website (leader NICE-CSMOH)

## ■ Articles to be planned

- Joint CPG development
- CocanADAPTE
- Database of cancer Uncertainties
- Final paper on CoCanCPG achievements



# More results to be shared (2)

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- Offer training on our methods and tools inside and outside the network
- Organize continuous feedback on joint development experiences



# Anticipate communication opportunities

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- UICC World Cancer Congress
  - 18-21 August 2010 , Shenzhen, China
- G-I-N
  - 25-28 August 2010, Chicago, USA
- HTAI
  - June 2010, London
- National meetings





## 2. SUSTAIN CURRENT ACTIVITIES



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# Aim and domains of action

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## Overall aim: Trans-national cooperation on CPGs

1. Joint development of guidelines (Priority)
2. Research & training on methods
3. Communication and information

Short term : cooperation on Cancer CPGs

Long term : possibility to widen the field



# Which activities are sustainable?

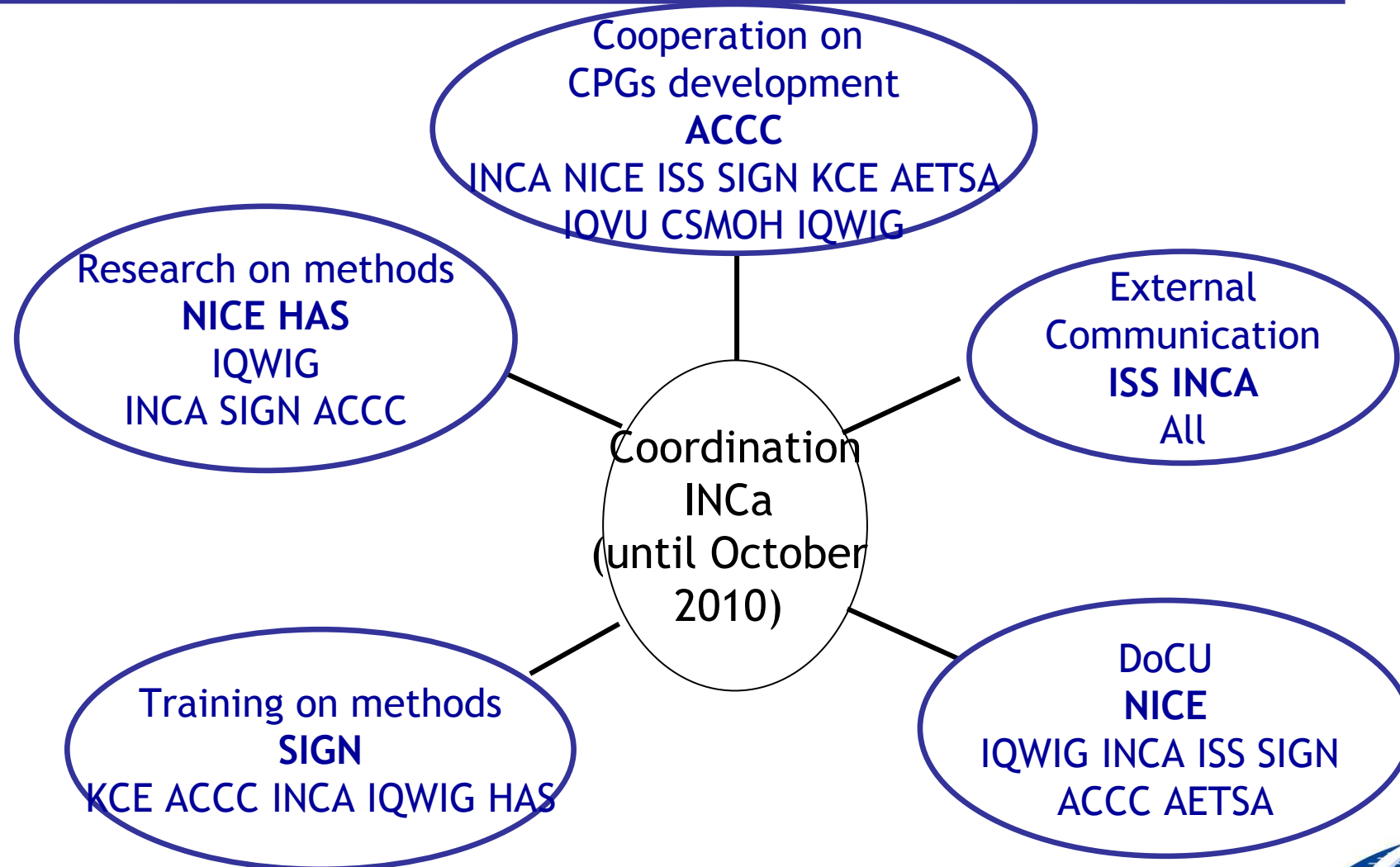
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- Bringing added value for the partners involved
- Giving value to the network
- Sustainable without external funding
- Partners involved and partners acting as leaders



# Which activities will be kept?



# Which structure for sustainable activities?

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- Based on a questionnaire (March 2009)
  - Virtual and flexible structure preferred
  - Different involvement of partners possible



# How to have a living network?

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- Coordination
  - Leaders for the 5 main activities
    - Work plan for 2010
  - Coordinator = Chair
    - Organize one annual meeting October 2010
    - Maintain Website
    - Support leaders
  - Rotating chair organization





# 3. DEVELOP NEW ACTIVITIES



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# How to choose new activities?

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## 3 domains of interest for the future

1. Joint development of guidelines (Priority)
2. Research & training on methods
3. Communication and information

## BUT Limited resources

→ Choices will be made

1. Added value of the new activity
2. Feasibility (funding, EC policy)



# Research priorities

- Development of a methodology to assess the utility and feasibility of qualitative studies in formulating recommendations
- Literature monitoring and methods for guideline update
- Adaptation of guidelines and evidence reports
- Implementation topics and evaluation studies of implementation
- Patient involvement
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- Evidence grading systems
- Evaluation using indicators
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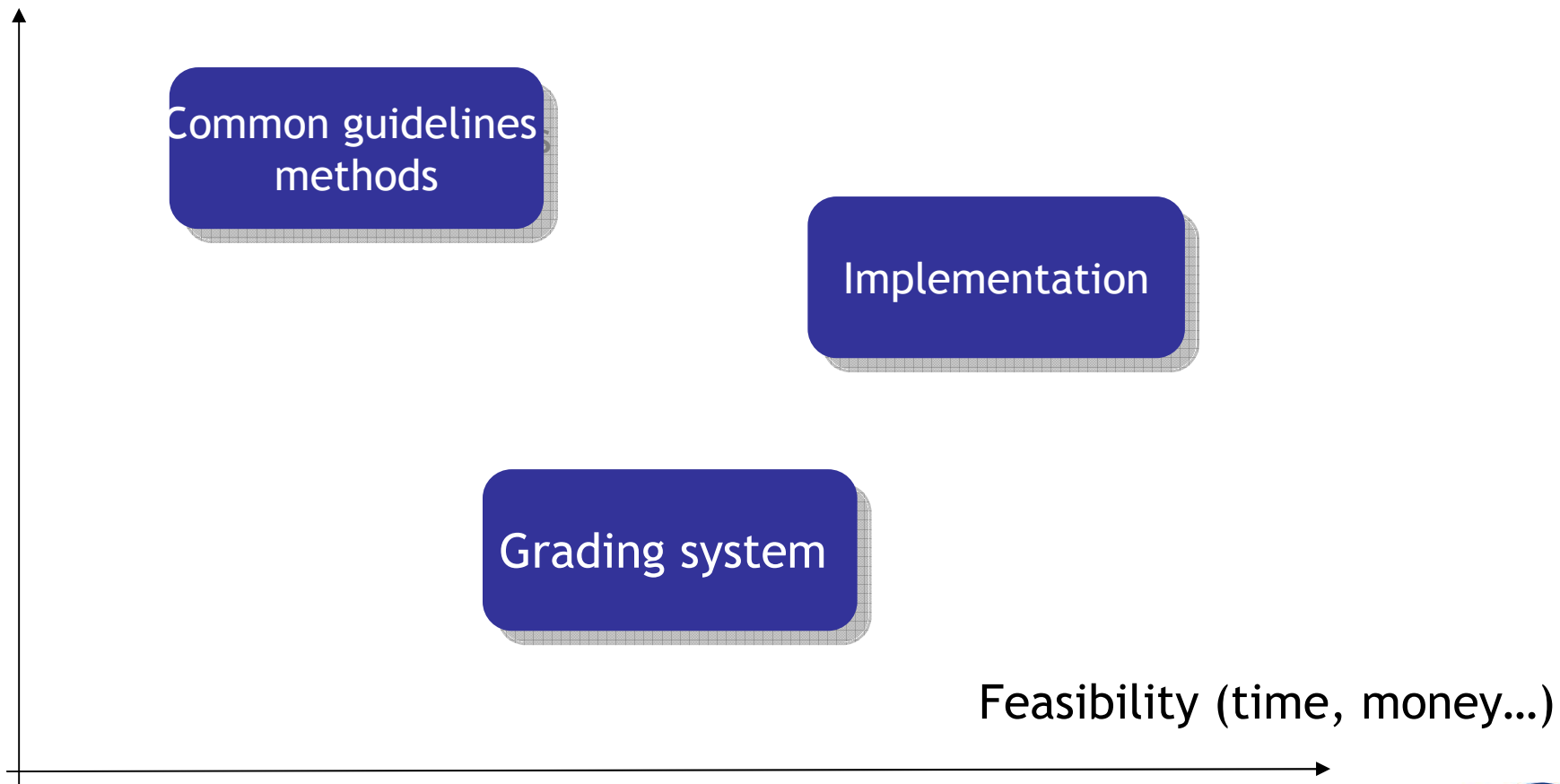
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# New activities should deliver value within feasibility constraints



Added value of CoCanPG for each partner



# Conclusion

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- Agreement on short term and mid term challenges
  - Short term : Share and communicate
  - Mid term : Sustain current activities with a flexible organization
- No consensus on long term priorities
  - Foster joint development? Certainly.
  - Put together a new project research on methods? Maybe.





# CONCLUSION



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# Today

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- **Great achievements!**
- **Consensus to maintain the network without external funding**
- **But**
  - Clinical research takes time to be implemented
  - Joint CPG methods will take time to demonstrate their value
  - Cluster of partners have developed successfully common experiences
  - Need to deploy those collaborations within the network



# Tomorrow

- Many opportunities (Funding, Partnerships, Activities)
- But
  - Institutions have to adopt what has already been done
    - People work together but institutions have to engage to move forward
    - Takes time
  - Institutions will take the leadership of emerging activities only if:
    - it brings value at reasonable time and cost
    - and is aligned the institutional strategies
- Need an open and reactive network with evolving coordination according to topics and interests

