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Subject: Feed-back for Mid-term check meeting - H2020-MSCA-ITN-2017-765497-THERACAT EDINBURG, 5-JUNE-2019

Dear Lorenzo,

Dear Rosa,

First, I would like to thank you for the organization of the mid-term check meeting and for the fruitful discussion we had.

Once again, congratulations for the work accomplished during this 15 months, where the entire consortium has been working hard towards the achievement of the proposed objectives. The fellows appear to be a good and well-synchronized group. They are enthusiastic and motivated to achieve not only their individual projects but to further their expertise through the networking and training proposed for their future careers. Also congratulations for the good work developed by the project management team and their commitment with the project.

Please find below my recommendations and issues to follow up:

- More visibility to the EU funding should be given through the website (namely display the EU emblem and correct funding sentence) as well as all printed material.
- All information displayed in the project website should be updated. There are some sections incomplete, in particular those included under fellows tab which are currently empty.
- Summary for publication appears as empty in Sygma. Please upload the publishable summary.
- VISAs should be requested well in advance to avoid any delay with the secondments and trainings outside the fellows' host institutions.
- Please ensure that all fellows are paid in accordance to the MSCA-ITN rates, in particular those recruited in TUE, GRO and TAG. This will be checked at the end of the project.

- Any change in the planned secondments should be informed to the PO in advance. Any deviation from the GA will require the prior approval of the PO.
- Information provided in the Progress report should be updated, in particular information referred to secondments, Fellows Committee and delay in the delivery of some milestones. Progress report will be reopened for modification.
- According to the Progress report, dissemination to the general audience seems to be limited to two beneficiaries: IBEC and BIOGELX. All beneficiaries are encouraged to take active part of the dissemination and outreach activities.
- Information provided in the Progress Report regarding the submission of the results obtained so far to international peer-reviewed journal, should be clarified since, according to what it was discussed during the meeting, no publication has been prepared yet.
- **Beneficiary 7-TEVA:** Some issues have been detected with this beneficiary since the start of the project including delays in the signature of the Grant Agreement and the Consortium Agreement due to size-down of this beneficiary; change in the PI in charge and delay in the recruitment of ESR3. The beneficiary TEVA has been advised to speed up the recruitment process and to issue the contract to ESR3 as soon as possible. Please, ensure that the recruitment of the fellow is completed. The remaining time until the end of the project is 33 months, which means that ESR3 can be contracted for a maximum period of 33 months.

Please do not forget to send me the attendance list. Should you have already send to me this information, please disregards this comment.

Kind regards,

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