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## DESIPOC Networking & Awareness event

### Integrating Psychosocial Care into Oncology Practice: From Evidence to Implementation

📍 V. Putvinskio Street 14, Kaunas 44212, Lithuania (LSMU Emmanuel Levinas Center)

📅 6 May 2026

Conference Programme	
10:00 – 10:10	<b>Welcome and Opening Remarks</b> prof. Rimantas Benetis, <i>Rector of Lithuanian University of Health Sciences</i>
10:10 – 10:20	<b>DESIPOC Project Overview: Advancing Integrated Psycho-Oncology Care in Europe</b> Dr. Angelos Kassianos, <i>Cyprus University of Technology, Project Coordinator, DESIPOC</i>
10:20 – 10:30	<b>DESIPOC: Tools and Implementation</b> Dr. Maria Loizou, <i>Cyprus University of Technology Project Manager, DESIPOC</i>
10:30 – 11:30	<b>I Session</b> <b>Partner Contributions: Advancing Psychosocial Care in Oncology Across Europe</b> Chairs: prof. Elona Juozaitytė, prof. Eimantas Peičius
10:30 – 10:40	<b>Meaning-Making of the Illness Experience in Young Adult Female Survivors of Childhood Cancer</b> Beatričė Ramanauskaitė, <i>Lithuanian University of Health Sciences</i>
10:40 – 10:50	<b>Burnout and Emotional Resilience Among Oncology Professionals</b> Bogdan Oprea, <i>Medical Education Research and Innovation Center</i>
10:50 – 11:00	<b>Lived Experiences of People with Cancer Experience in Cancer Care</b> Theofano Serghiou, <i>Cyprus Association of Cancer Patients and Friends</i>
11:00 – 11:10	<b>Communication with Oncology Patients: The Perspectives of Social Workers and Caregivers</b>

	Enrique Picón Roca, <i>ADIPER</i>
11:10 – 11:20	<b>Social Innovation Approaches to Reducing Inequalities in Cancer Care</b> Paula Proestou, <i>Center for Social Innovation</i>
11:20 – 11:30	<b>Synergising for awareness: mental health care in the cancer continuum</b> Otilia Colceriou, <i>European Cancer Organisation</i>
11:30 – 11:45	<b>Coffee Break &amp; Networking</b>
11:45 - 13:05	<b>II Session</b> <b>National Perspectives on Oncology Care</b> Chairs: prof. Dainius Pavalkis, Dr. Angelos Kassianos
11:45 – 12:05	<b>Stigmatization of Oncological Diseases: How Can It Be Reduced?</b> Dr. Angelos Kassianos, <i>Cyprus University of Technology</i>
12:05 – 12:25	<b>Life After Cancer: Support Opportunities in Lithuania, Needs and Challenges</b> Aušrinė Kėvalaitė, <i>Onkologinės ligos paliesto jaunimo asociacija</i>
12:25 – 12:45	<b>The Role of the Nurse in Comprehensive Oncology Patient Care: Challenges and Opportunities</b> Elena Jurkutė, <i>Lithuanian University of Health Sciences</i>
12:45 – 13:05	<b>Discussion</b>
13:05 – 13:25	<b>Coffee Break &amp; Networking</b>
13:25 – 14:05	<b>Roundtable Discussion – Integrating Psychosocial Care into Oncology Practice</b> Chairs: dr. A. P. Kassianos, dr. M. Loizou Cyprus University of Technology  <u>Participants:</u> <b>assoc. prof. Lina Danusevičienė</b> – patient council (Hospital of Lithuanian University of Health Sciences Kauno Klinikos) <b>Medeinė Tuzikaitė</b> – medical psychologist (Hospital of Lithuanian University of Health Sciences Kauno Klinikos) <b>assoc. prof. Erika Korobeinikova</b> – radiation oncologist (Hospital of Lithuanian University of Health Sciences Kauno Klinikos) <b>Lina Pužauskienė</b> – medical oncologist (Hospital of Lithuanian University of Health Sciences Kauno Klinikos) <b>Patricija Morkeliūnaitė</b> – general practice nurse (Hospital of Lithuanian University of Health Sciences Kauno Klinikos)
14:05 – 14:15	<b>Closing Remarks</b>