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New International Framework for Assessing the Costs and Outcomes of Mental Health Related Care: The European PECUNIA Project (2018-2021)

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Background

- Increasing health care costs, **cost of mental diseases** 14% of health expenditure (OECD)
- Multi-sectoral impacts (spill-over effects) of health and health interventions -> **importance of societal perspective**
- Limited implementation of EA results due to **fragmented funding**
- **Multi-national EA:** need for nationally relevant, but methodologically standardised and comparable cost, outcome and cost-effectiveness estimates
- **Lack of standardised international costing and outcomes assessment tools**
- **Unknown magnitude of heterogeneity** in assessed costs and outcomes between countries and sectors

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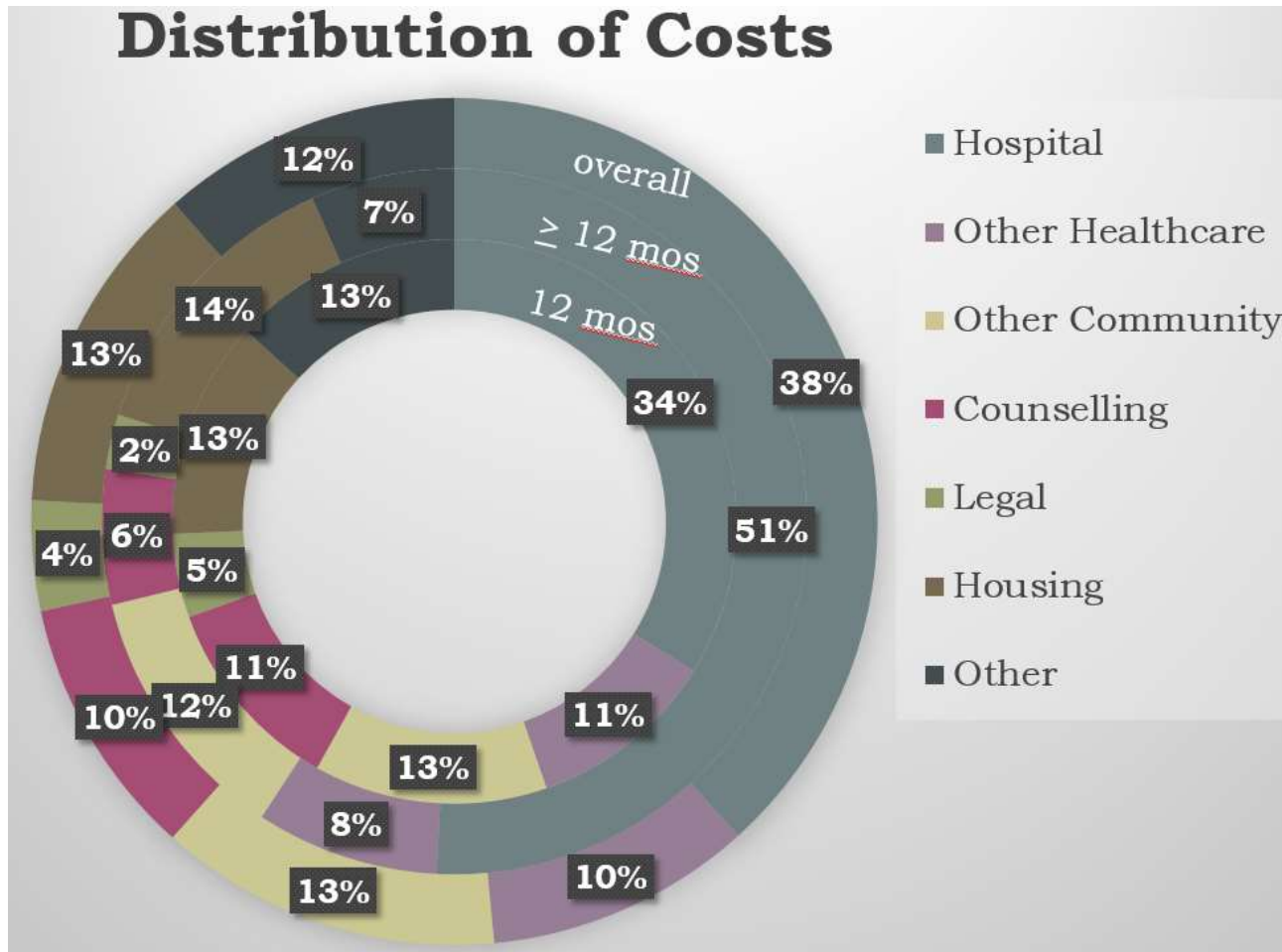
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What are the methodological pitfalls?



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Importance of time horizon and costing perspective



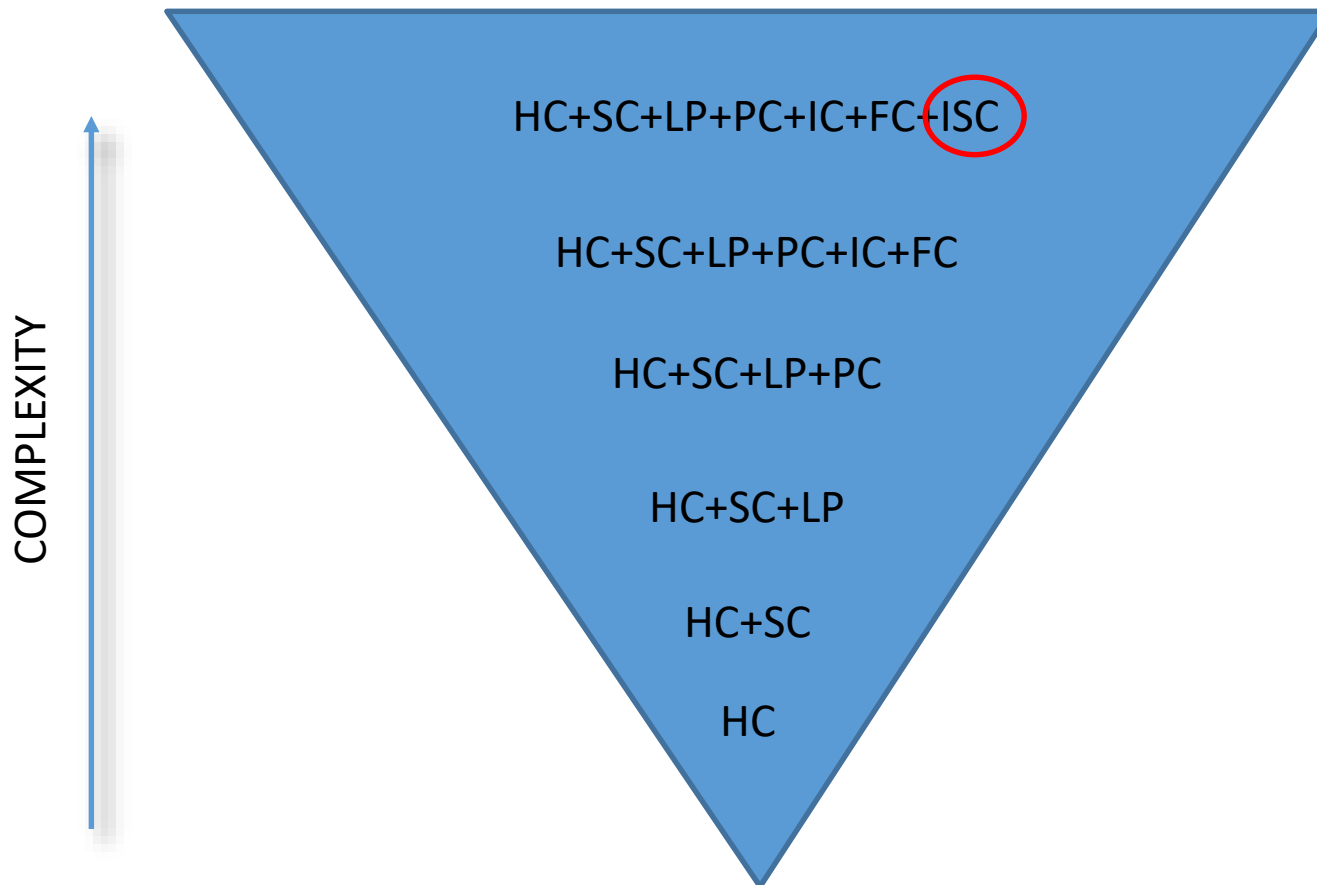
Source: Hoch and Dewa, authors' own (2017)

Heterogeneity of ,costing perspectives‘ in EU

Country	Recommended perspective
Austria	Health care, patient, lost productivity
Belgium	Health care
Croatia	Health care
Czech Republic	Health care
Denmark	Societal
England & Wales	Health & social care
Estonia and Latvia	Health care
Finland	Societal
France	Societal
Germany	Health care
Hungary	Health care
Ireland	Health care
Italy	Health care
The Netherlands	Societal
Norway	Societal
Poland	Health care
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Spain	Societal
Sweden	Societal
Switzerland	Health care



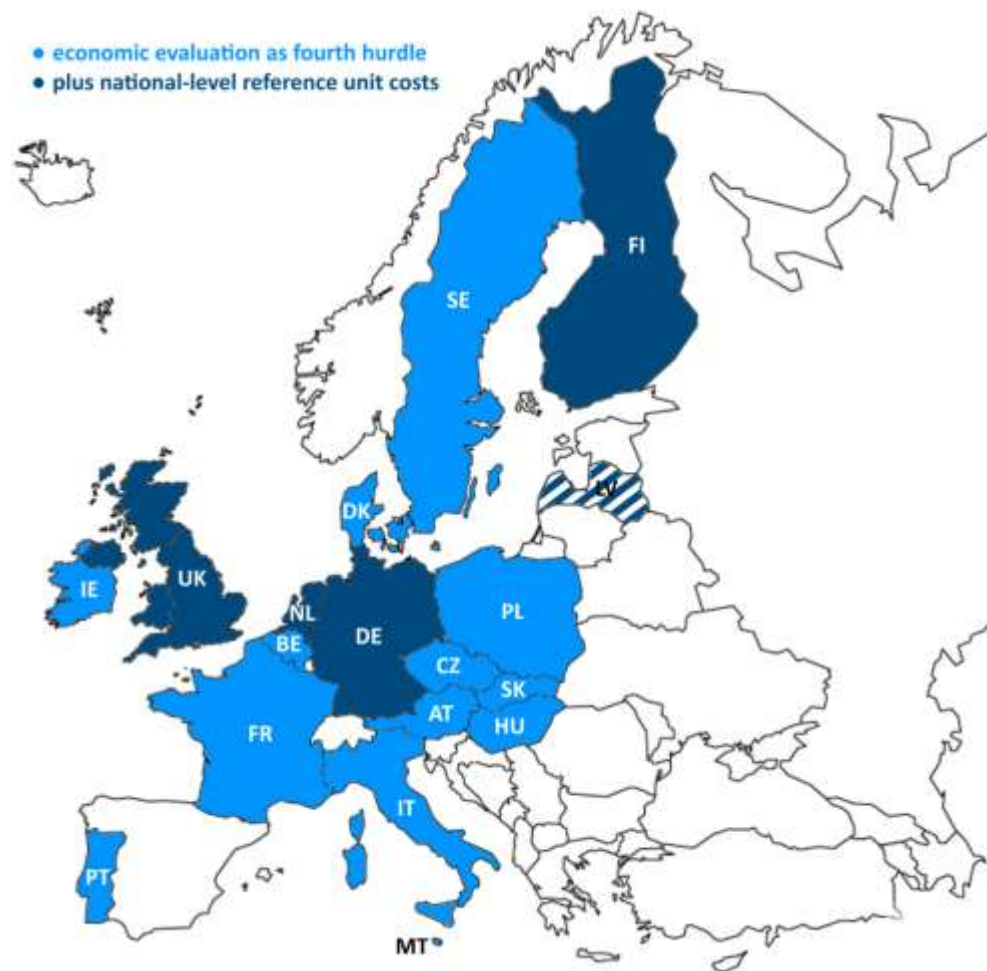
Incomparable costing perspectives



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Heterogeneity in the 'availability of national unit cost programmes' (Europe, 2017)



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Incomparable 'unit costs' in Europe: Cost of *day care centre*

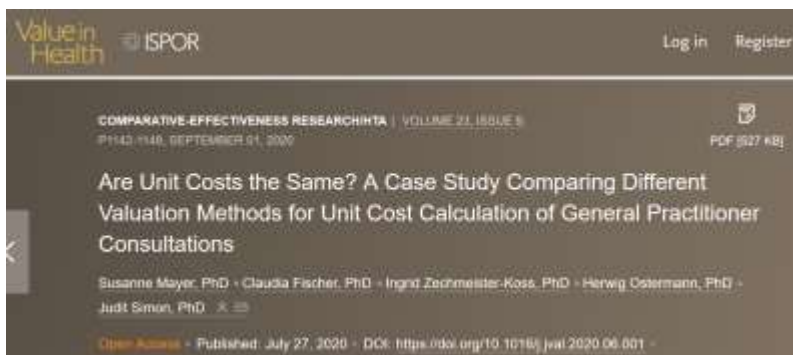
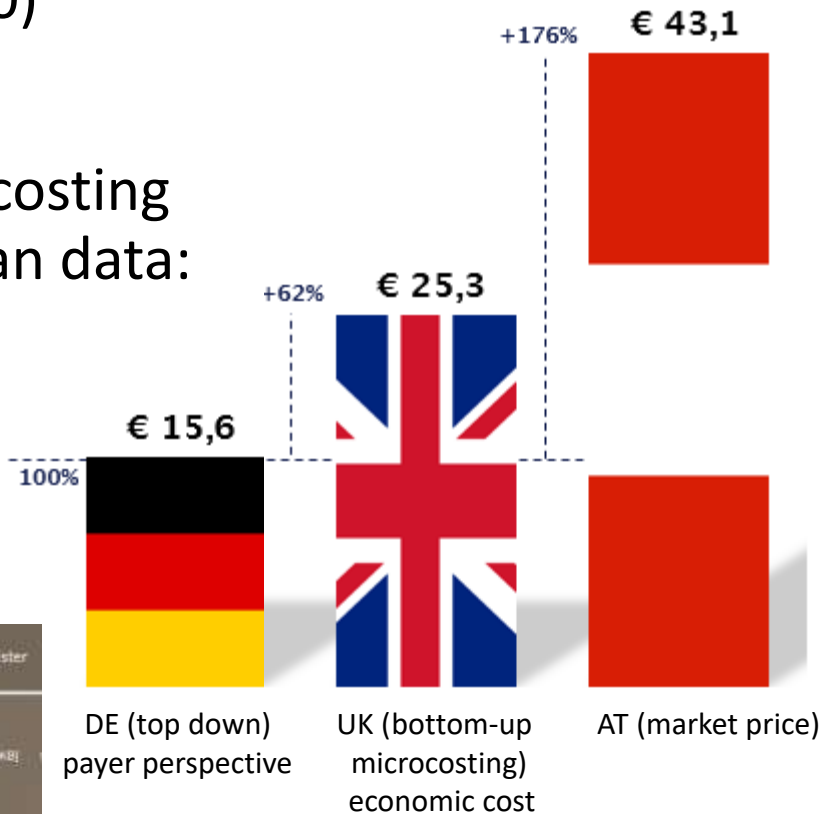
Day care centre				
Country	UK	DE	NL	ES
Name of item (HEQ)	Day care centre	Tageszentrum	Dagopvang	Centro de dia
Unit cost in £/€	£ 37	€ 7.78	€ 276 // € 67 // € 302 // € 460	n/a
Definition / Description of service	Modern day services are like community centres, with a wide range of activities and support in the building and local area. Day services support people to set up groups and activities in their local communities rather than having to travel to centres. The individuals in each group have more choice and control about what they do (From: https://www.salford.gov.uk/health-and-social-care/contact-adult-social-care/care-and-support-services/day-services/ , cited in PSSRU).	n/a	n/a	n/a
Unit of measurement	per client attendance (typical standard unit is 3.5 hours with average of 3 sessions per week)	per hour per therapy place	per day	n/a
Source	From PSSRU 2018 page 37. 2.3 Local authority own-provision social services day care for people requiring mental health support	From Grupp et al. (2017a), p. 56; Tagesstätten as it appears it is the same Tageszentrum	From Kanters et al (2017) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • daycare treatment under inpatient hospital day • daycare treatment under mental health care • daycare treatment (adults) under rehabilitation therapy 	n/a
Year	2018	2014	2014	n/a
Issue	-	Translation problem → Tagesstätte vs. Tageszentrum	none seems to match with UK/DE definition as setting differs, translation problem	Expert advise needed

Heterogeneity in 'unit cost valuation methods'

Unit cost: average monetary value of a unit of resource use (e.g. contact) (Beecham 2000)

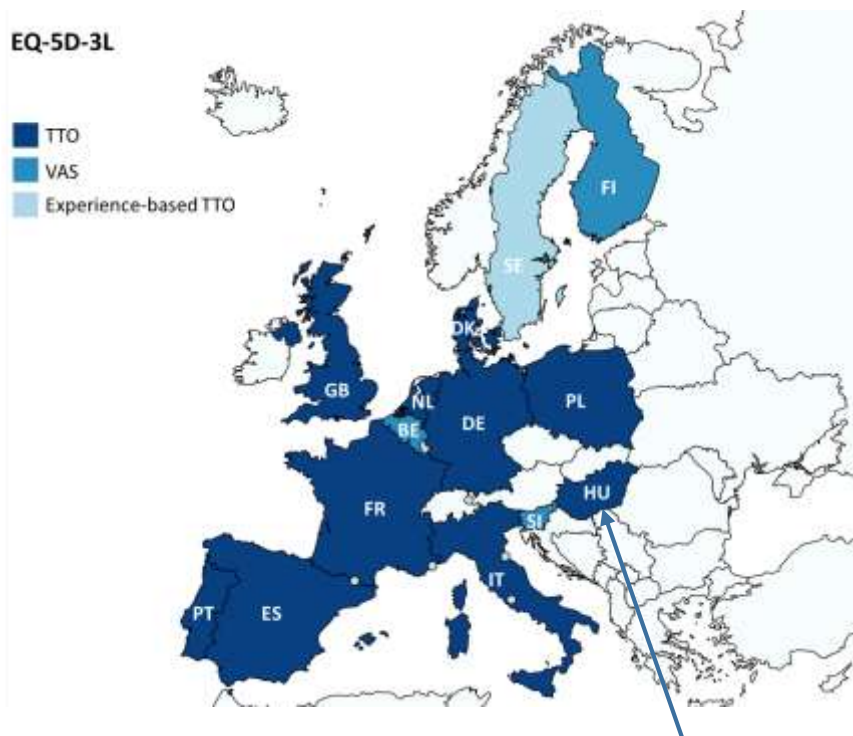
Example:

Application of international costing approaches based on Austrian data:
 general practitioner (GP)
 consultation unit cost (2015)
 → **staggering differences** in unit cost estimates

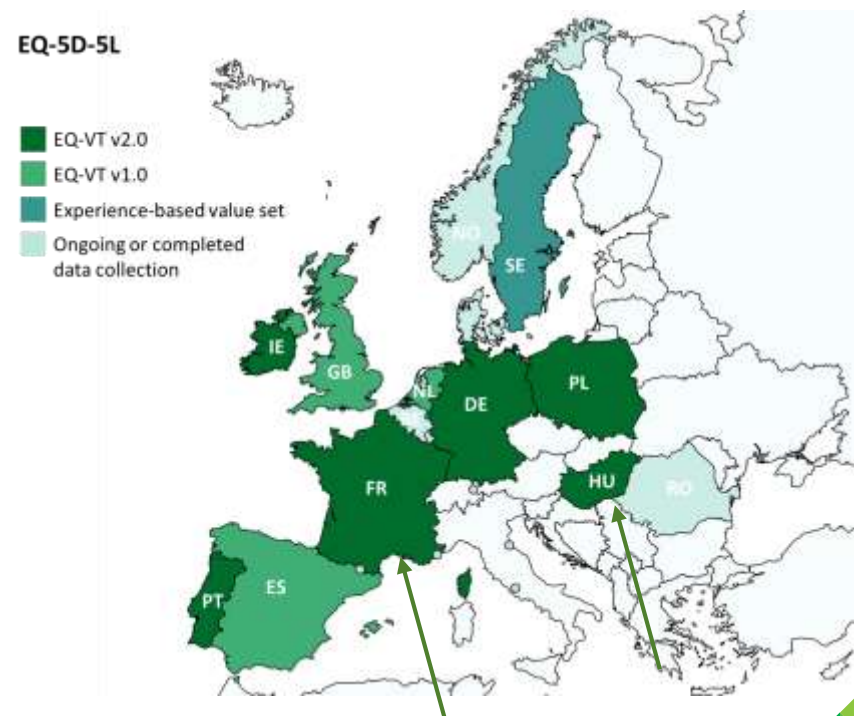


EQ-5D value sets across Europe, Nov 2020

EQ-5D-3L



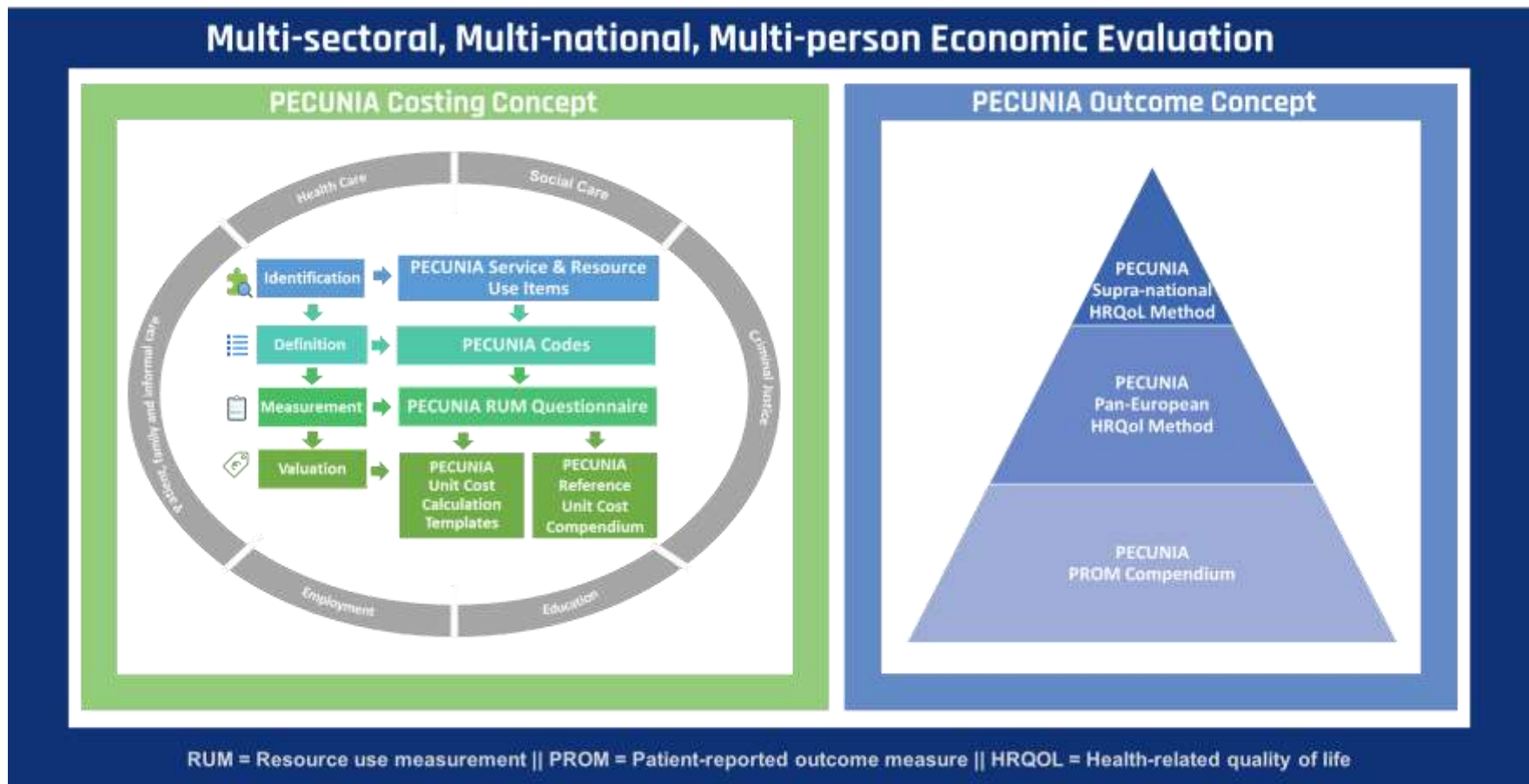
EQ-5D-5L



PECUNIA Objectives

- Harmonisation of costs in terms of
 - unit of analysis
 - unit of measurement
 - unit cost valuation methods
 - availability of comparable unit costs
- Harmonisation of outcomes in terms of
 - factors of heterogeneity
 - availability
 - comparability

PECUNIA Costing and Outcome Concept



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Modified Care Matrix of the Organizations

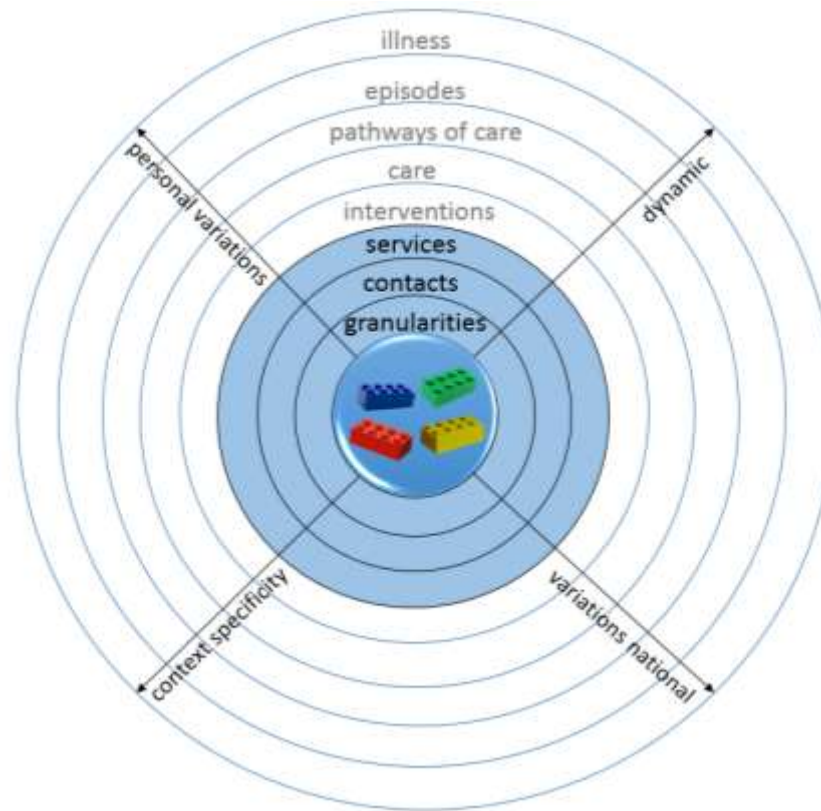
Process of Care (A. Donabedian)

ORGANISATIONAL LEVELS	INPUT/STRUCTURE (UC)	THROUGHPUT/PROCESS (RUM)	OUTPUT/OUTCOME	
	Resources (e.g. staff, facilities, equipment, consumables, medication, overheads)	Activities (e.g. contacts, institutionalised days, procedures/ interventions)	Intangible consequences (e.g. stigma, pain, suffering)	Tangible consequences (e.g. QoL, survival, productivity)
MACRO Health corporation	1A	1B	1C	1D
MESO Hospital/Department	2A	2B	2C	2D
MICRO Service units (e.g. BSIC)	3A*	3B	3C	3D
NANO Individual agents (e.g. Professional)	4A	4B	4C	4D

* Modified from Thornicroft & Tansella (1999) *The Mental Health Care Matrix*, Cambridge Univ. Press



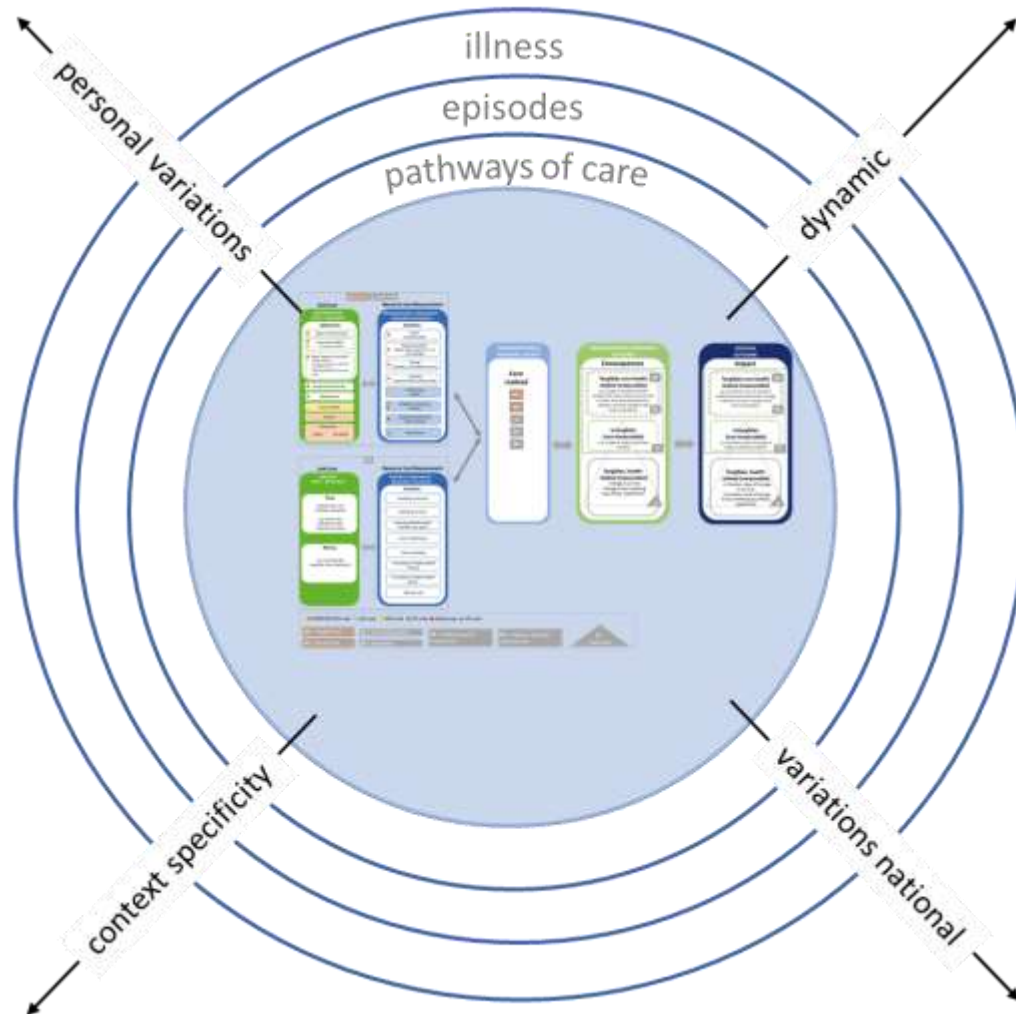
PECUNIA Care Atom (2017)



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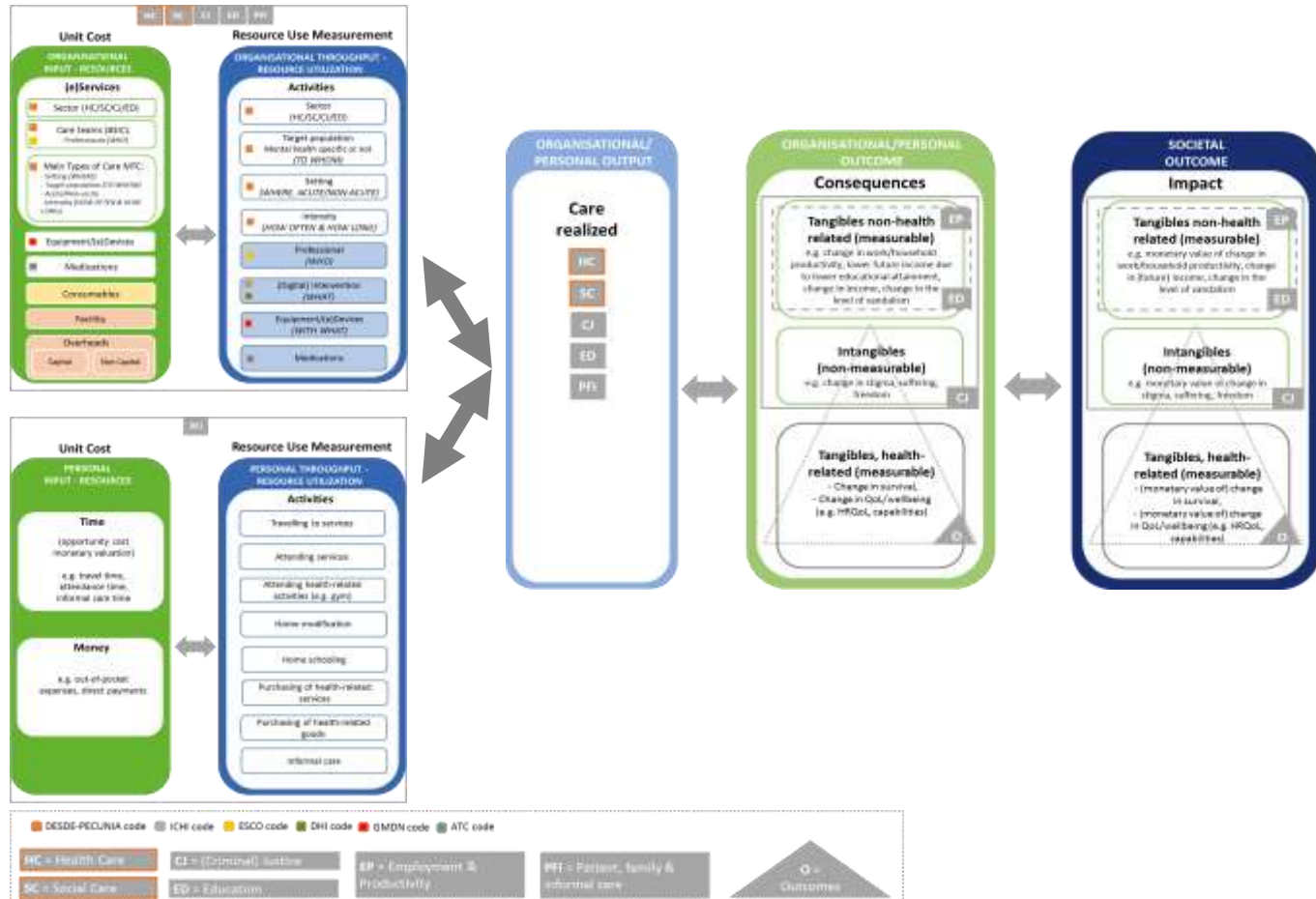


PECUNIA Care Atom (2021)



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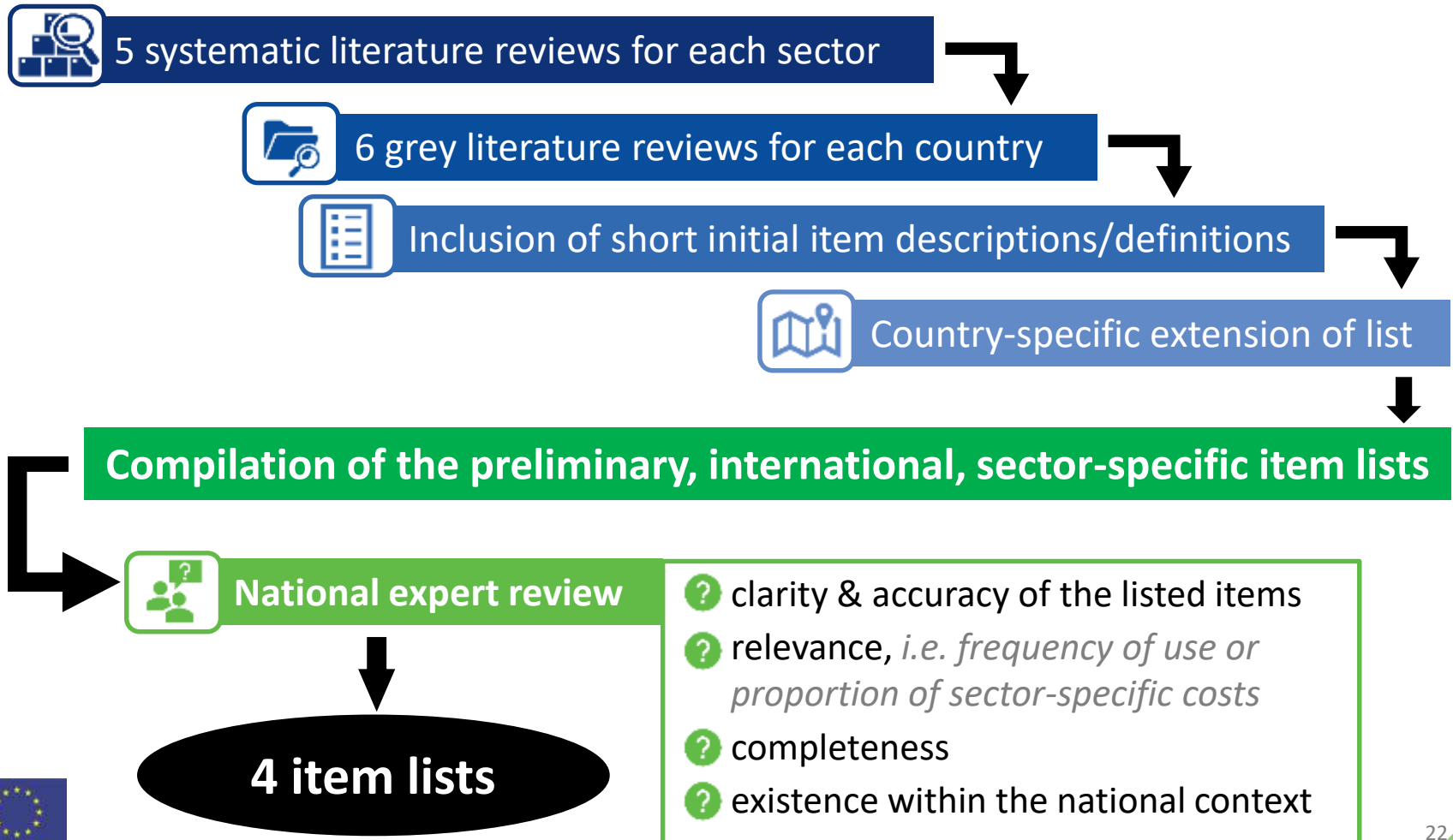
Costing concept: Harmonised units of analysis by cost type and international coding



PECUNIA Costing Approach

- Step 1: Harmonised **Identification** of services via literature search and country reports
- Step 2: Harmonised **Definition** of services via disambiguation and international coding
 - DESDE-LTC: For services
 - ICHI: For interventions
 - ISCO: For professionals
 - DHI (WHO Classification for Digital Health Interventions): For eHealth/Medical devices
- Step 3: Harmonised clusters of services for **Resource Use Measurement (RUM)** based on homogenous coding and costs
- Step 4: Harmonised **Valuation** with **Reference Unit Costs (RUC,** standardized methodology applied in unit cost development) based on coding clusters and harmonised Costing Templates following the PECUNIA Care Atom

Harmonisation step 1: Identification



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RESEARCH ARTICLE

Establishing a comprehensive list of mental health-related services and resource use items in Austria: A national-level, cross-sectoral country report for the PECUNIA project

Claudia Fischer, Susanne Meyer, Natalja Peric, Justi Simon, on behalf of the PECUNIA Group

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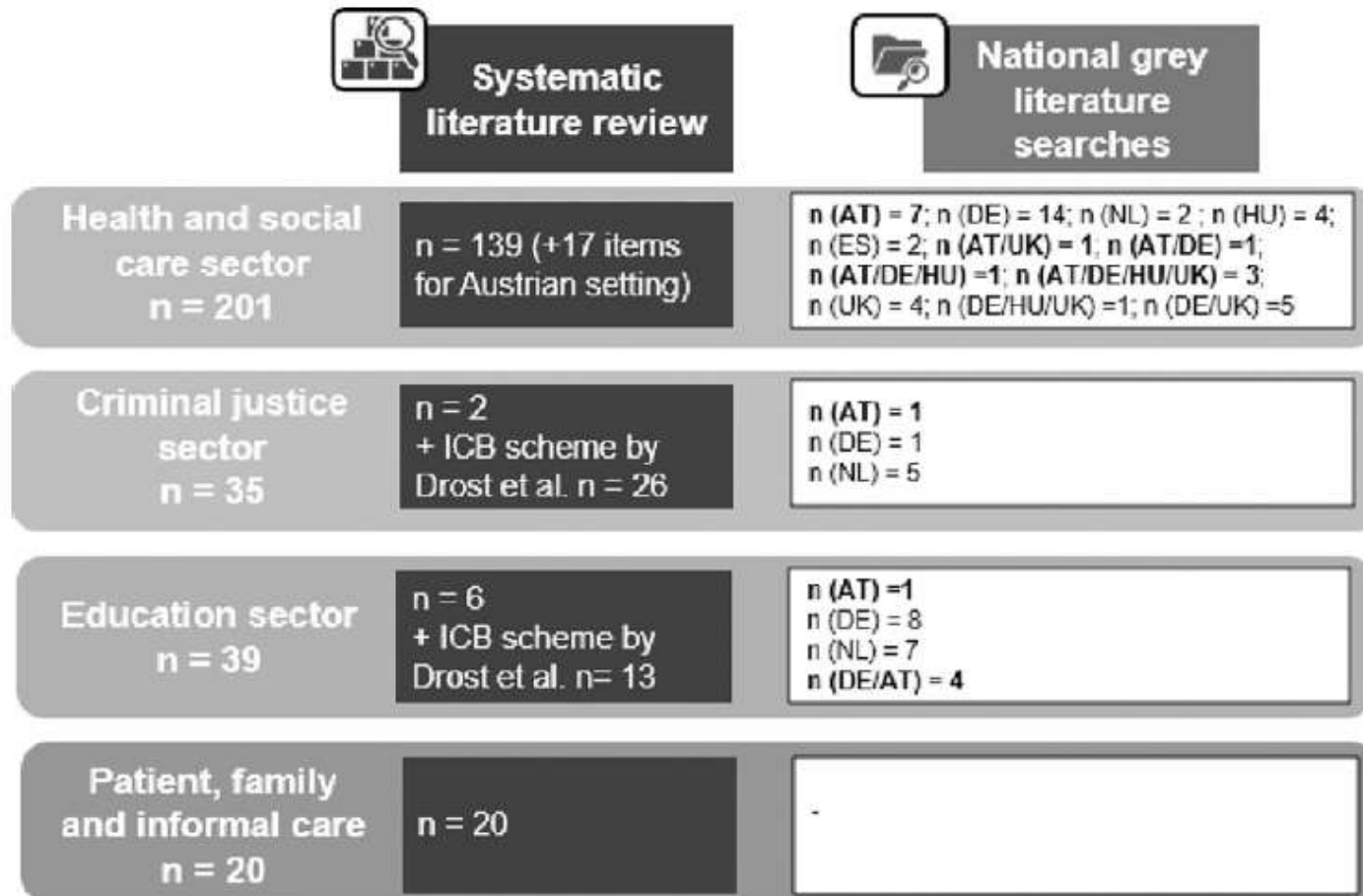


Fig 2. Sources of items in the preliminary, international sector-specific lists. Abbreviations: AT–Austria, DE–Germany, NL–the Netherlands, HU– Hungary, ES–Spain, UK–United Kingdom, ICB–inter-sectoral costs and benefits.



Problems and lessons learned

- **Definition of a “service”** as discrete unit compared to an intervention or a service-fragment can be very **challenging**
- „Language“ often fails to **adequately describe services**



The same “word” for a service can have very different meanings in different countries and people don’t even realize this until they try to describe the service of interest



Harmonisation step 2: Definition

Disambiguation

Items (N)

A final list of **56 items** were obtained from systematic review and grey literature review. 34 from the health sector and 22 from the social sector

Accurate

Confusing

Ambiguous

Vague

Level 1. Unit of analysis

50 items (89%)

6 items (11%)
e.g 'legal carer',
'outpatient health care contact'

Level 2. Target population

29 items (52%)

3 items (5%)
e.g homeless people/women and mental disorders

4 items (7%)
e.g 'Child development centre for children and families'

20 items (36%)
e.g 'rehabilitation facility for illness, injury or addiction'

Level 3. Definition

23 items (41%)

6 items (11%)
e.g 'Outpatient health care at workplace, e.g.g company physician, nurse

12 items (21%)
e.g 'Polyclinic

13 items (23%)
e.g rehabilitation facility

Total L1, L2, L3

13 items (23%)

-

2 items

5 items





HEALTH CARE

Macroorganisation
(General Hospital)



Mesoorganization
(Department of Psychiatry)
(+4 services)



Microorganization
(Care teams – BSIC)

- (R2) Acute unit
- (D1) Day Hospital
- (O3.1) Emergency Room
- (O8.1) Outpatient Service

Macroorganisation
(Local Police Department)



Mesoorganisation
Police Station (+4 services)



Microorganization
(Care teams – BSIC)

- (O1.2) Mobile emergency unit
- (O2.2) Office/complaints unit
- (O3.2) Detention room
- (I1.1) Information

DISAMBIGUATION

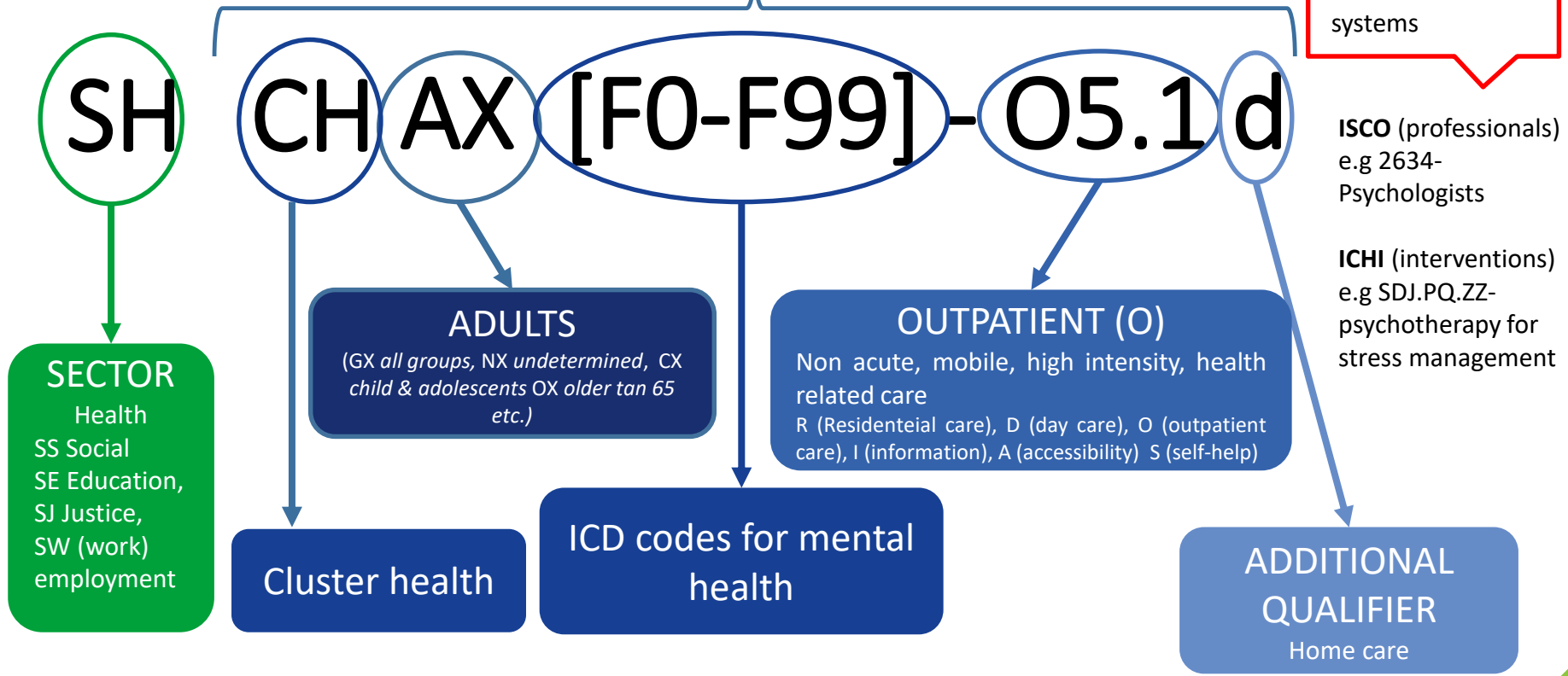


Harmonisation step 2: Definition

PECUNIA Coding system for service typology based on international classifications

DESDE coding system

Combination with other international classification systems



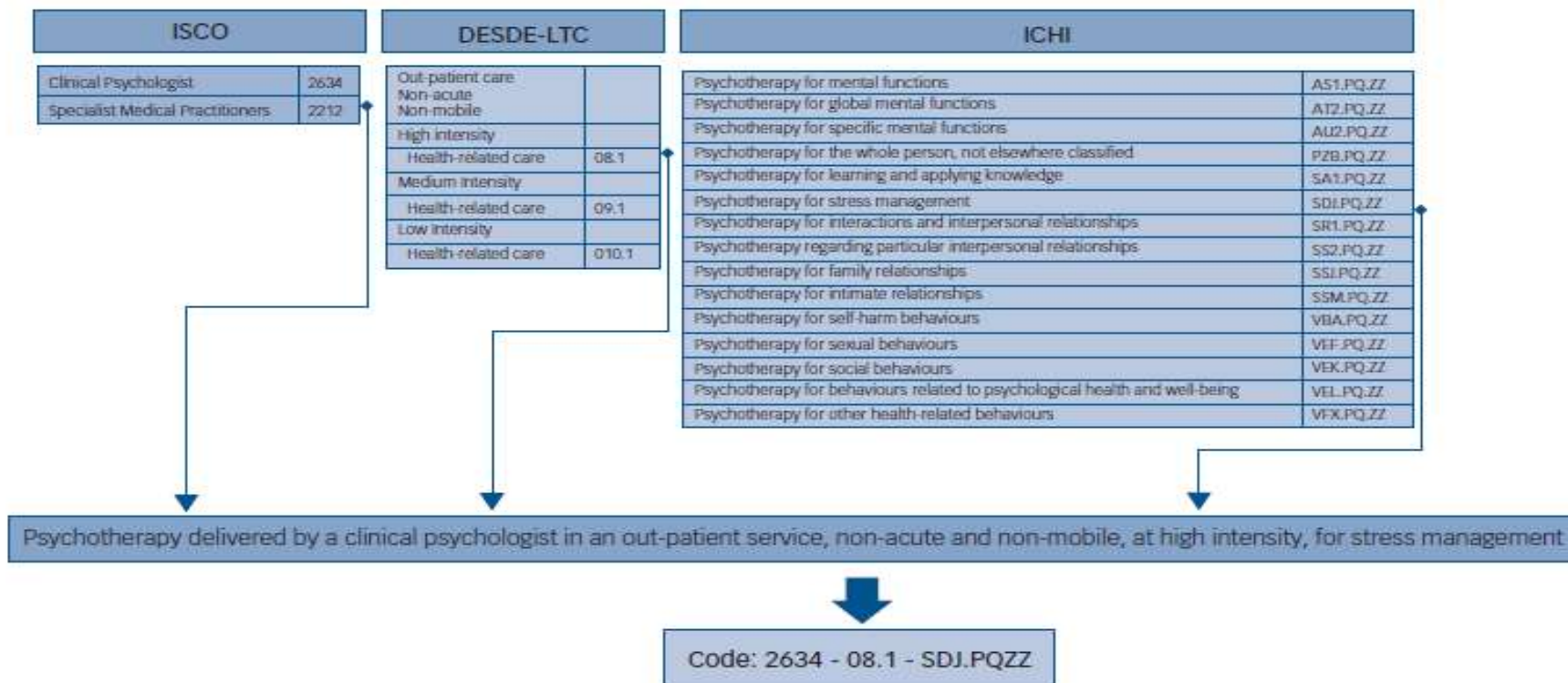


Disambiguation of psychotherapy: a search for meaning

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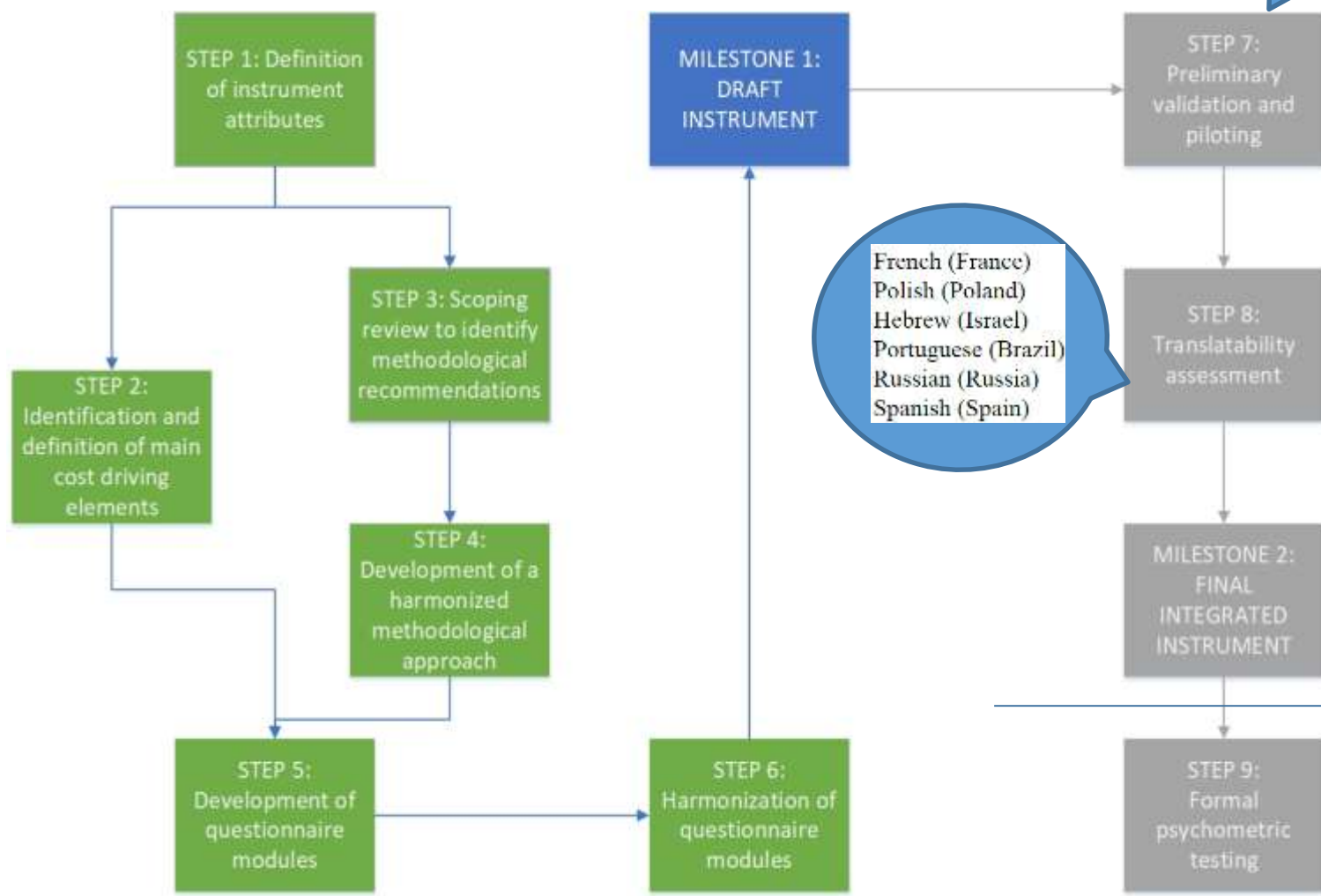
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Harmonisation step 3: Measurement PECUNIA RUM instrument

Think aloud



Harmonisation step 3: Measurement

PECUNIA RUM instrument (self-reported, adult questionnaire)

Module	Types of resource-use measured
Place of living and overnight stays	Usual living situation, residential care, and institutional stay selected from a range of residential, health, social, educational and correctional facilities
Non-residential health and social care	Use of health and social services including outpatient, daycare, helplines, and vocational services
Medication	Use of medications
Unpaid help (informal care)	Informal care provided by the respondent's friends, relatives, neighbors or volunteers
Education	Highest level of education, current educational status, absenteeism and presenteeism during studies, the use of education services (e.g. tutoring)
Employment and productivity	Current employment status, absenteeism and presenteeism at paid and unpaid work
Safety and justice system	Contacts with police, fire-and-rescue and legal services, material damage caused by the respondent (e.g. theft, vandalism), incarceration
Out-of-pocket and other expenses	Personal expenses including expenses for household help, childcare, purchase of goods (e.g. wheelchair)



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Example



Step 1: Identified services

Outpatient care

- Polyclinic
- Outpatient healthcare service**
- Emergency doctor on call
- Outpatient healthcare at the workplace
- Outpatient healthcare service at school
- Outpatient healthcare service at the prison
- Pediatric outpatient clinic
- Hospital-based outpatient clinic
- Psychiatric drop-in center
- Psychiatric rehabilitation aftercare service
- Mental counselling center/ advice center
- Long-term-care facility
- Child development centre
- Social care outpatient service
- Psychosocial crisis center
- Social care facility for mentally ill persons
- Social assistance for mentally ill persons
- Psychological crisis resolution team
- Legal carer/guardian for mentally ill persons
- Integration workplace
- Vocational training
- Individual vocational qualification
- Supported employment programs
- Integration services
- Professional training
- Protected/sheltered workshop for mentally ill persons
- Pre-vocational assessment service for mentally ill persons

Residential care

- Psychiatric residential home
- Assisted living facility
- Residential home
- Social day-care
- Assisted tenant group for mentally ill persons
- Sheltered housing for mentally ill persons
- Semi-residential social care
- Non-psychiatric hospital ward
- Non-psychiatric intensive care ward
- Rehabilitation facility
- Hospice
- Nursing home**
- Acute psychiatric ward
- Psychiatric intensive care unit (PICU)
- Psychiatric long-term ward
- Soteria house
- Non-addiction related psychiatric rehabilitation
- Addiction-related rehabilitation

Daycare

- Day hospital
- Day care – voluntary organization
- Day care – professional organization
- Psychiatric daycare unit**

Accessability to care

- Emergency ambulance ride
- General transport
- Escort/accompanied leave

Information for care

- Hotline**
- Support neipines

Self-help and voluntary care

- Self-help groups
- Voluntary community support



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Step 2: Description of selected services using DESDE codes

Term	Definition	DESDE-code	Code description
Hotline	A telephone hotline that offers information to patients	SH-NX [ICD10] I1.2.4e	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Health sector (SH) - Undetermined age groups (NX) - Information facilities providing guidance and assessment, including evaluation and design of a personal plan for the user (I1.2.4) - Via telephone or online (e)
Nursing home	An inpatient care facility that offers care for elderly or disabled persons	SH-OX R11	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Health sector (SH) - For old people (OX) - Residential non-acute facilities with indefinite stays and 24h non-medical support (R11)
Outpatient healthcare service – General practitioner	A contact with an outpatient health care provider with profession “general practitioner”	SH-NX [ICD-10] O8.1 u 2211	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Health sector (SH) - Undetermined age groups (NX), - Outpatient non-acute non-mobile facilities providing health related care more than three times/week (O8.1) - Provided by a single handed professional (u) - General medical practitioner (2211)
Outpatient healthcare service – Dental care	A contact with an outpatient health care provider with profession “dentist”	SH-NX [K00-K14] O8.1 u 2261	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Health sector (SH) - Undetermined age groups (NX), - Outpatient non-acute non-mobile facilities providing health related care more than three times/week (O8.1) - Provided by a single handed professional (u) - dentist (2261)
Psychiatric daycare unit	A daycare-specific hospital unit providing specialized care for patients suffering from mental disorders	SH-NX [F00-F99] D4.1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Health sector (SH) - Undetermined age groups (NX) - Day care non-acute facilities available the equivalent of 4 half days/week for health-related care (D4.1)



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Step 3: RUM Question for Hotline

B6.1 Have you contacted a helpline (phone/online) regarding health or other life problems in the past 3 months?

Yes *Please go to question B6.2*

No *Please go to question B7*

I don't know/I would rather not say *Please go to question B7*

B6.2 How many times have you contacted a helpline (phone/online) regarding health or other life problems in the past 3 months?

Please tick all answers that apply and indicate the number of contacts you had with a given service. If you are unsure, please tick 'Other' and provide details.

1 Helpline (phone/online) for information (e.g. pharmacy, health hotline) ____ contacts

2 Helpline (phone/online) for support (e.g. mental health support hotline) ____ contacts

3 Other, please specify: _____ ____ contacts



Step 3: PECUNIA RUM instrument – example of GPs and Dentists

B2.2 How many times have you used any of the following non-emergency care services in the past 3 months?

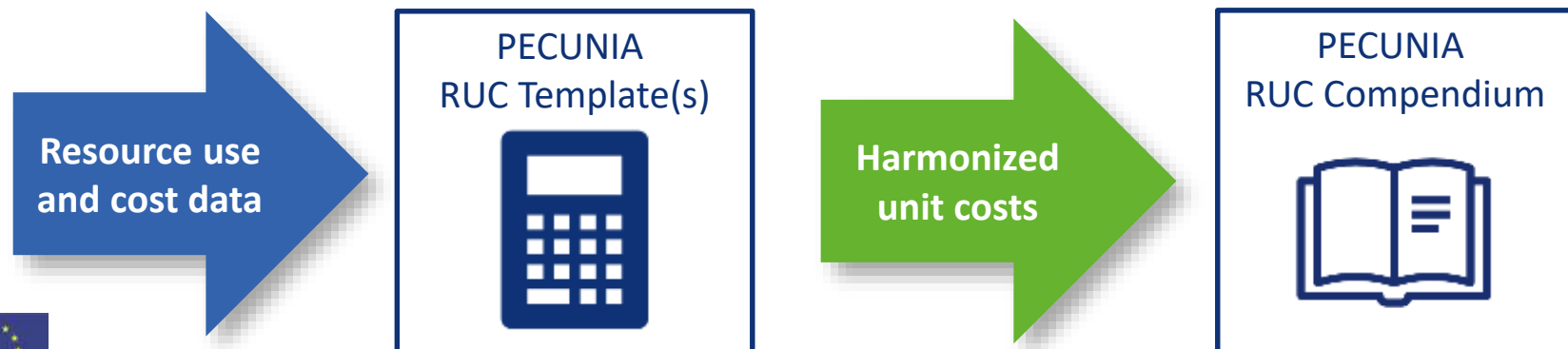
Please tick all answers that apply and indicate the number of times you have used a given service. If you are unsure, please tick 'Other' and provide details.

		Number of times
1	General practitioner (GP)/family doctor	<input type="checkbox"/> ____ times
2	Dental care	<input type="checkbox"/> ____ times



Harmonisation step 4: Valuation

- **Reference Unit Cost (RUC):** standardized methodology applied in unit cost development
- **PECUNIA RUC Templates:**
 - Microsoft Excel (2013) based input masks with automated calculations based on harmonized methodology for transparent RUC development
 - Service 1, 2, 2-short (top-down micro or gross costing); Personal time; Productivity loss; Tangible non-health consequences
 - Primary and/or secondary input data
- **PECUNIA RUC Compendium:**
 - Microsoft Excel (2013) based collection of harmonised RUCs across countries



PECUNIA RUC Templates

PECUNIA RUC Templates Version 1.0 / 2021

SERVICE-1 top-down micro-costing template

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SERVICE-1 top-down micro-costing template			
<p>Basic instructions and data sources:</p> <p>SERVICE-1 top-down micro-costing template for the reference unit cost calculation per setting-specific direct client contact minute based on a top-down micro-costing approach to be filled in by the user based on</p> <p>a) published secondary data (not older than 10 years) OR</p> <p>b) primary data from service provider collected with the "SERVICE-1 data collection sheet".</p>			
<p>Userguide legend</p> <p>dark blue = instructions light green = data to be entered by user dark green = pre-specified entry or automatic calculation gold = not applicable (N/A)</p>			
Module 1: Service description			
<p>Module 1 summarizes selected service characteristics and establishes the connections between the costing template and the RUC</p>			
Resource (tax) item name <i>E.g. general practitioner</i>			
Unit of measurement <i>E.g. direct client contact (contact per contact) or per hour</i>	Other (please specify)		
DESIDE PECUNIA prototype code <i>If applicable and specified</i>	ESCO code <i>If applicable</i>	ICM code <i>If applicable</i>	
<p>Service definition</p> <p>Provide a short description of the service the unit cost is calculated for</p>			
<p>Opening hours (principal total) <i>E.g. 0 to 24 hours opening hours in hours of the service provider</i></p>			
<p>Provider <i>E.g. Health care (doctor from specialist list)</i></p>			
<p>Funding source <i>E.g. state/social insurance-funded, privately funded (patient/family), pharmaceutical company, other (please specify)</i></p>			
<p>Vakation approach <i>top-down micro-costing approach</i></p>			
Module 2: Basic unit cost information			
<p>Module 2 collects basic information on the cost data inputs and references to be provided with the top-down unit cost estimate.</p>			
<p>Unit cost year <i>E.g. 2018</i></p>			
<p>Currency <i>E.g. Euro</i></p>			
<p>Country <i>E.g. Austria</i></p>			
<p>Data type <i>E.g. primary data (collected under secondary prevention) / fee-relevant cost</i></p>			
<p>Data sources <i>E.g. hospital or data source (database) and corresponding secondary data (contract) or other (please specify)</i></p>			

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Strengths of the PECUNIA RUC Templates

Harmonized and transparent **methodology**, including inflation-adjustment module

Modular set-up allowing for **flexibility** in costing approach and data sources

Complementary **user guides**

Feasibility assessment and demonstration study based on country-level **pilot tests** and suitability assessment for Health Technology Assessment (HTA) in a real-world setting: **positive**

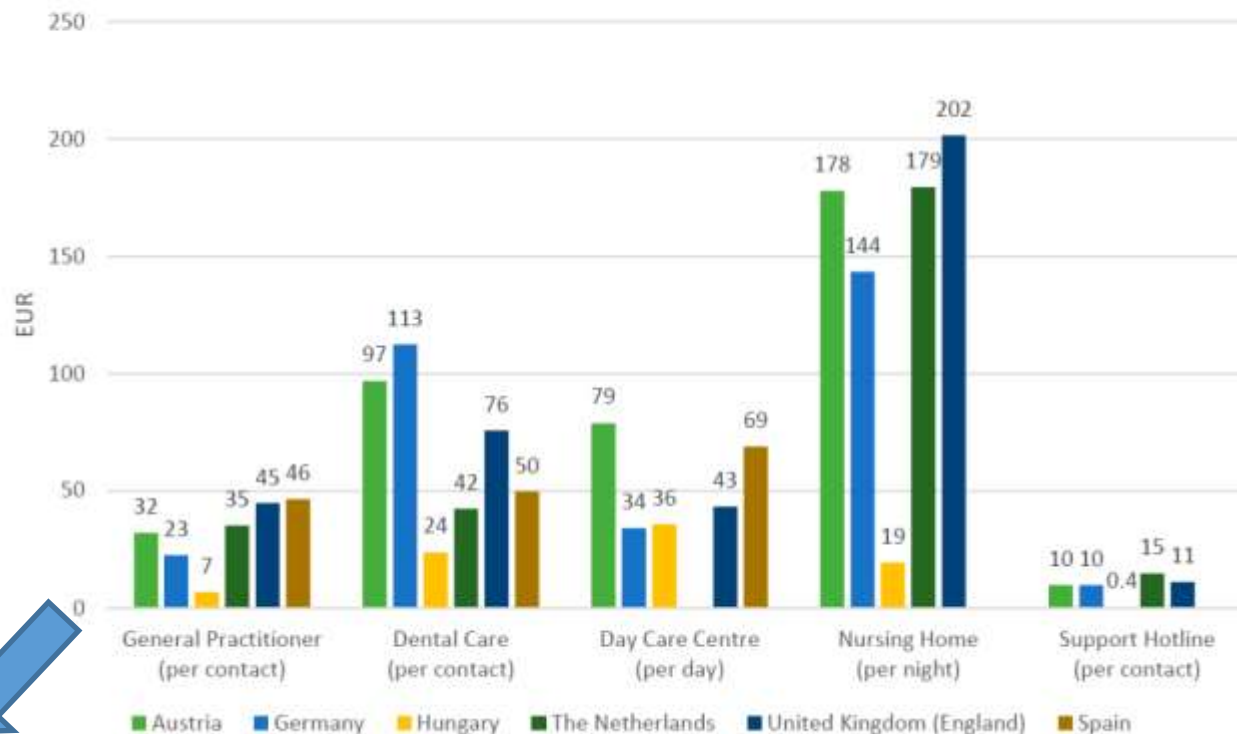
Linked tool with PECUNIA Resource Use Measurement (**RUM**) instrument and **DESDE** (Description and Evaluation of Services and DirectoriEs) **PECUNIA coding system**



RUCs and Compendium



Reference unit cost estimates for the core set of health and social care services, per country



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Country	General Practitioner (per contact)	Dental Care (per contact)	Day Care Centre (per day)	Nursing Home (per night)	Support Hotline (per contact)
Austria	32	97	79	178	10
Germany	23	113	34	144	10
Hungary	7	24	36	19	0.4
The Netherlands	35	42	43	179	15
United Kingdom (England)	45	76	69	202	11
Spain	46	50			



Step 5: RUC Compendium

Resource (use) item	Resource use item in national language	Item definition	Sector	Funding source	Unit of measurement	Country	Reference currency	Reference year	Reference Unit Cost (RUC)	Reference Unit Cost minimum	Reference Unit Cost maximum	Representativeness of unit cost estimate	DESE PECUNIA prototype code	DESE PECUNIA country-specific code(s)
Dental care	Zahnbehandlung	Medical treatment and maintenance relating to the teeth	Health care	State/Social Insurance funded	per contact	Austria	EUR	2019	94.75	-	-	National	SH-AX (300-414) 08.1	-
Dental care	Zahnbehandlung	Medical treatment and maintenance relating to the teeth	Health care	Privately funded	per contact	Austria	EUR	2019	133.00	-	-	National	SH-AX (300-414) 08.1	-
Dental care	Zahnbehandlung	Medical treatment and maintenance relating to the teeth	Health care	Representative average	per contact	Austria	EUR	2019	56.52	-	-	National	SH-AX (300-414) 08.1	-
General practitioner	Allgemeinmedizinerkonsultation	Usually the first focal point for people with a health problem where basic care is provided and eventual referrals are coordinated	Health care	State/Social Insurance funded	per contact	Austria	EUR	2019	31.80	-	-	National	SH-AX (3CD-10) 08.1	-
General practitioner	Allgemeinmedizinerkonsultation	Usually the first focal point for people with a health problem where basic care is provided and eventual referrals are coordinated	Health care	Privately funded	per contact	Austria	EUR	2019	45.43	-	-	National	SH-AX (3CD-10) 08.1	-
General practitioner	Allgemeinmedizinerkonsultation	Usually the first focal point for people with a health problem where basic care is provided and eventual referrals are coordinated	Health care	Representative average	per contact	Austria	EUR	2019	32.64	-	-	National	SH-AX (3CD-10) 08.1	-
Health-related day care centre	Teiltagesonlinetagesbetreuung	NON-MENTAL HEALTH RELATED: care or supervision provided during the day for 81 persons by a voluntary organisation, by a professional organisation, by a social care facility	Health and social care	State/Social Insurance funded	per day	Austria	EUR	2019	76.83	-	-	National	SH-AX (3CD-10) 04.1, SH-AX (305-799) 04.1, SS-AX (305) 04.1	SH-AX (3CD-10) 04.1
Health-related support line, mental health	Notruf-Hotline für Kinder und Jugendliche (Not auf Dringl)	A special phone and/or online service offering advice and support to people in distress	Health and social care	Other	per contact	Austria	EUR	2019	6.88	-	-	National	SH-AX (305-799) 11.2.4e	SH-AX (305-799) 11.2.4e

Strengths of the PECUNIA RUCs and RUC Compendium

Reliable costing tool

- Electronic library of **comparable and validated RUCs** based on standardized costing approaches
- **Relevant** and **unambiguously defined** list of resource use items

Connected with other PECUNIA tools

- RUCs developed using PECUNIA costing **templates**
- **Compatible** with PECUNIA costing concept, coding system and resource use measurement (**RUM**) **questionnaire**

Intuitive and user-friendly

- **Traffic light quality indicator** (Level-of-certainty index) signals any caveats of each RUC
- **Comprehensive** user guides

Living document for scientific community

- **Free-of-charge for non-commercial** research purposes
- Inclusion of user-calculated UCs using the PECUNIA costing tools
- Access via PECUNIA Coordinator

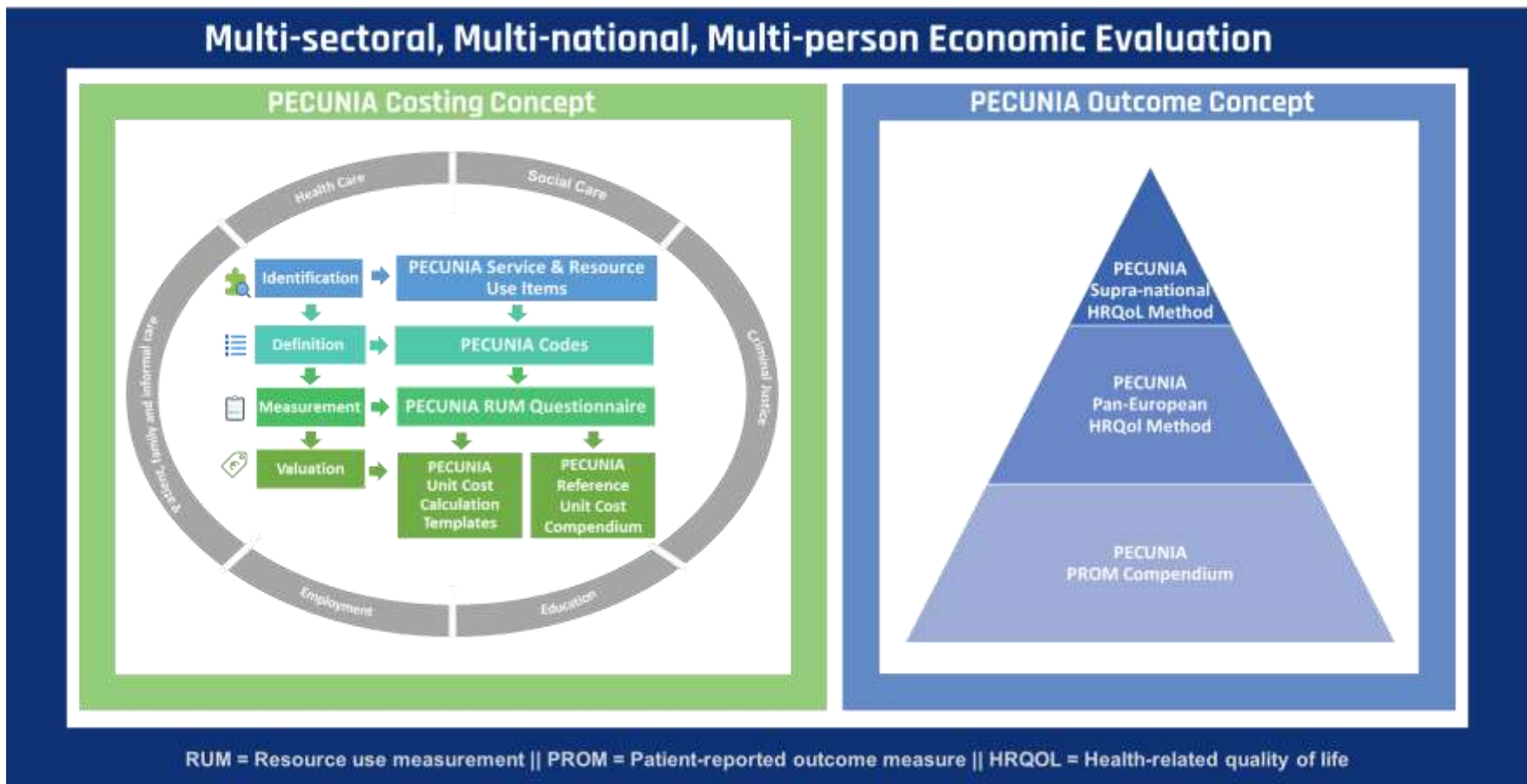


Summary

- New conceptual framework for costing
 - Applicable for any type of economic analysis across countries and sectors, validated for HTA
- Development of harmonised, compatible methods and tools
- Results generalisable beyond mental health
- Bridge between HE & HSR methods
- Still not ,full societal‘ perspective, but potential for extension of methods to other sectors
- Some data input level heterogeneity remains, but transparent



PECUNIA Costing and Outcome Concept



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'Pan-European' value set: Background

- Cooperation EU; increase negotiation power
- Countries standardization of HTA processes to evaluate decision making and reimbursements in health care at EU level
- A tool to homogenize health-care decision making and resource allocation
- To help standardize factors such as
 - clinical practice guidelines
 - pricing
 - reimbursement of pharmaceutical drugs and medical devices across Europe



'Pan-European' value set: Methods

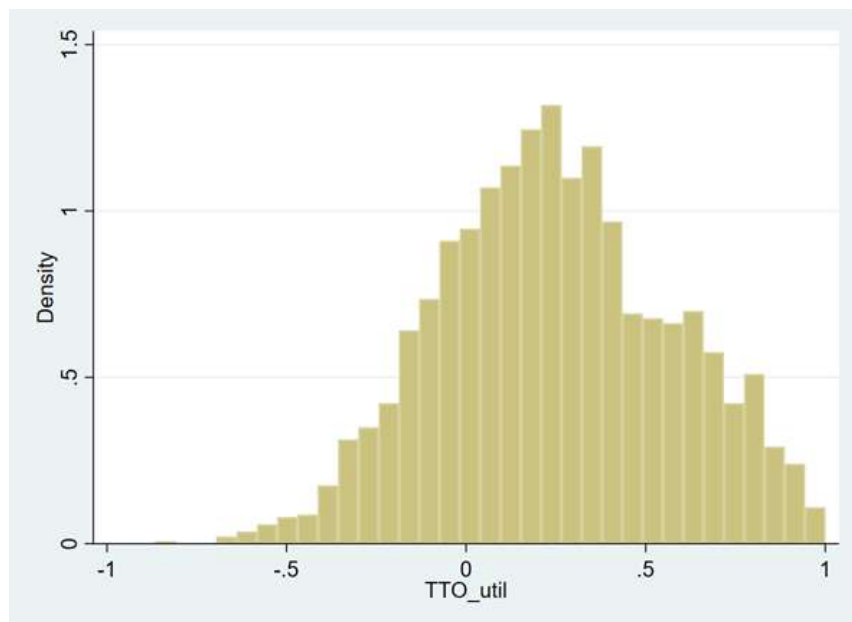
- Difficulty accessing original data plus inefficient
- Derived pooled utilities the **published coefficients** of existing EQ-5D-3L valuation studies within Europe
 - TTO valuations existing value sets
 - Data set generated unique value per health state for each country
 - 10 countries: 243 (35) theoretical health states = 2340 data points
 - Different models
 - Interaction terms: N3, D1, I2, I22, I3, and I32
 - Model selection: Goodness of fit criteria



'Pan-European' value sets: Results

Results EQ-5D-3L

The pooled utilities range from -0.865 to 1.000

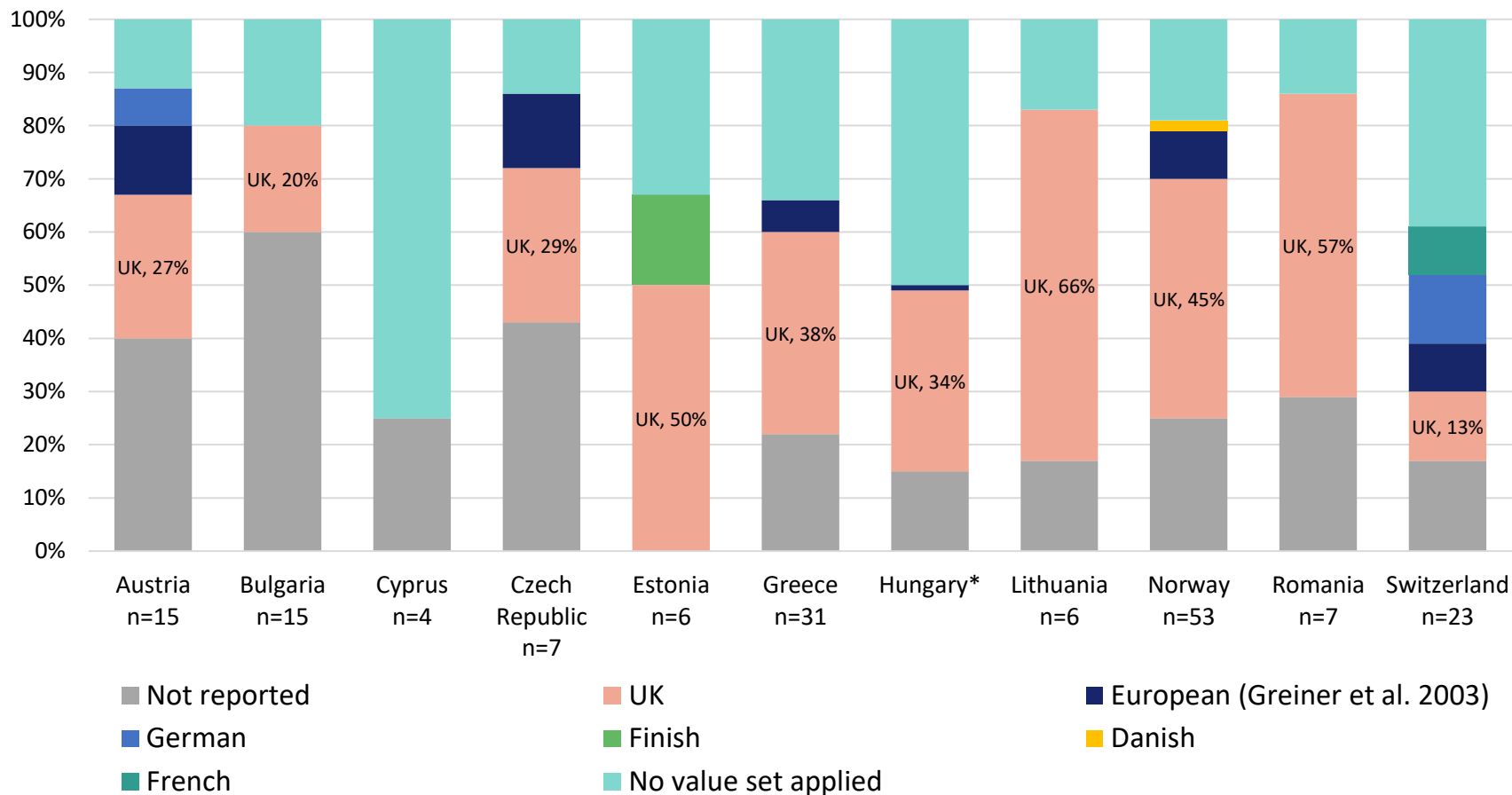


- The developed 'pan-European' value set
 - is a pragmatic solution for economic evaluations within Europe
 - impacts health-informed decision- and policy-making
 - is easily updated as new value sets become available
 - potential for online tool development



'Supra-national' value sets: Background

Use of value sets in European countries without a national one (EQ-5D-3L & -5L)



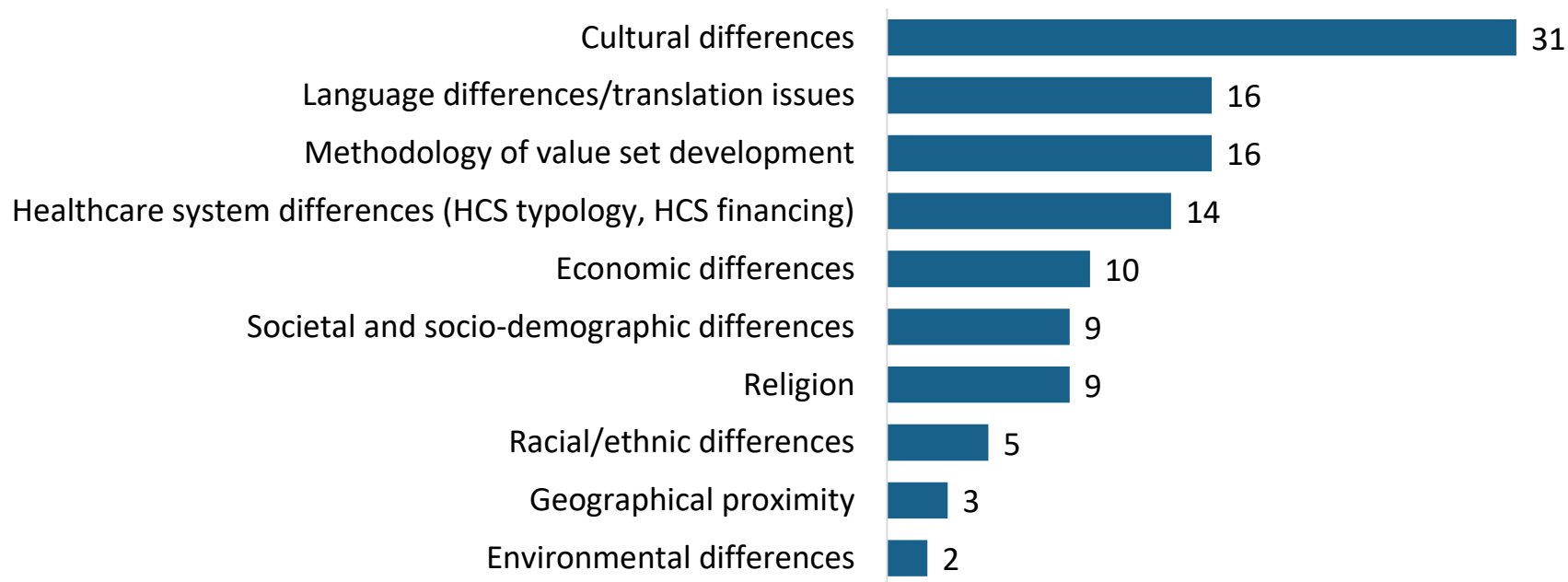
Source: Own research (November 2019); both 3L and 5L versions of the EQ-5D are included

*Rencz et al. 2016



'Supra-national' value sets: Concept

Literature search: Possible variables influencing cross-country differences in EQ-5D valuations (69 studies)



'Supra-national' value sets: Concept

Relevance of identified variables for creating clusters

Criteria adapted from Carinci et al. (2015)

	Validity	Reliability	International feasibility	International comparability	Inclusion
Variable	Sufficient scientific evidence exists to support a link between the variable and variations in health state valuations	Variables represent a stable phenomenon, and the repeated measurements over time produce similar results	A 'value' of variable can be derived for international comparisons without substantial additional resources	The definition of the variable is the same in each country	Inclusion for further analysis: cut-off of 2 & no 0 value
Cultural beliefs	0.5	1	0.5	0.5	included
Language/ translation issues	1	1	1	1	included
Methodology of value set development	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Healthcare system differences (typology, financing)	0.5	1	1	1	included
Religion	1	1	1	1	included
Ethnicity	0.5	0	0.5	0.5	excluded
Socio-demographic structures	0.5	0.5	1	0.5	included
Economy/country development	0	0	1	1	excluded
Geographic proximity	0	1	1	1	excluded
Environmental aspects	0	0.5	0	0.5	excluded

Three-point scoring was applied depending if the variable 1) met the criterion (1 point), 2) met the criterion in part (0.5 points), 3) did not meet the criterion (0 points). The variables that were assigned 0 to any of the criteria were automatically excluded from further investigation.



'Supra-national' value sets: Concept

Country grouping categories (n=5)

- Countries were grouped based on typologies available in literature:

 **Culture and Religion**

Huntingdon 1993; Inglehart & Baker 2000



 **Language**


Van der Auwera & Baoill 1998



 **Healthcare system typology**

Ferreira et al. 2018; EURO-HEALTHY project



 **Healthcare system financing**

Wendt et al. 2009; Böhm et al. 2013



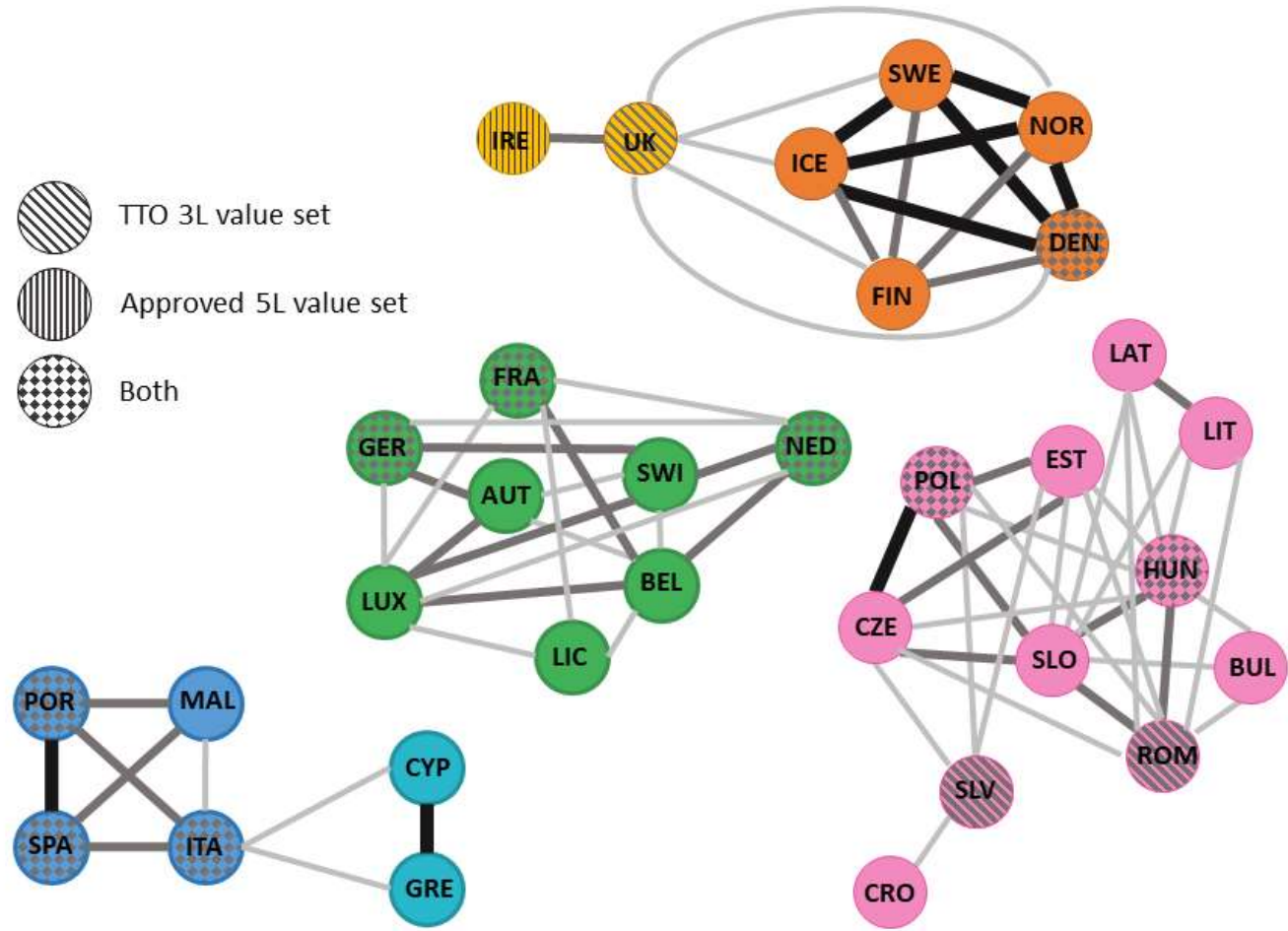
 **Socio-demographics**

Figueras et al. 1994; Genova 2010; Palevičienė & Dumčiuvienė 2015



'Supra-national' value sets: Concept results

Clusters for supra-national value sets



'Supra-national' value sets: Concept results

Clusters for supra-national value sets

Name of the cluster	Countries	Countries with 3L TTO value set	Countries with 5L value set
English-speaking	Ireland, UK ¹	UK	Ireland
Nordic	Sweden, Norway, Finland, Denmark, Iceland	Denmark	Denmark
Central-Western	Germany, France, Switzerland, The Netherlands, Austria, Belgium, Luxembourg	France, Germany, The Netherlands	France, Germany, The Netherlands
Southern	Portugal, Malta, Spain, Italy, Cyprus, Greece	Italy, Portugal, Spain	Italy, Portugal, Spain
Eastern	Poland, Czech Republic, Slovenia, Hungary, Bulgaria, Romania, Slovakia, Croatia, Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania	Hungary, Poland, Romania, Slovenia	Hungary, Poland

Note: Experience-based value sets (available for Sweden) are excluded

¹ The 5L UK value set is not considered in this study as per NICE recommendations



'Supra-national' value sets: Calculation methods

Calculation methods

- Same approach as for the pan-European value set
- Cluster-specific models
 - **Coefficients from published valuation studies**
 - **Ordinary Least Squares (OLS) regression for each cluster**
 - **Goodness of fit tests with/without interaction terms**
 - **Coefficients from the best fitting model applied**



'Supra-national' value sets: Summary

- Application of supra-national value sets
 - Best proxy/substitute value sets for countries that lack one
 - Multi-national/regional trials
 - Regional procurement setting in context of drug pricing and reimbursement
 - Joint HTA reports
- Easy updating
- Concept/methods likely applicable outside Europe
- Forthcoming: ***Laszewska et al. 2022, Pharmacoconomics***



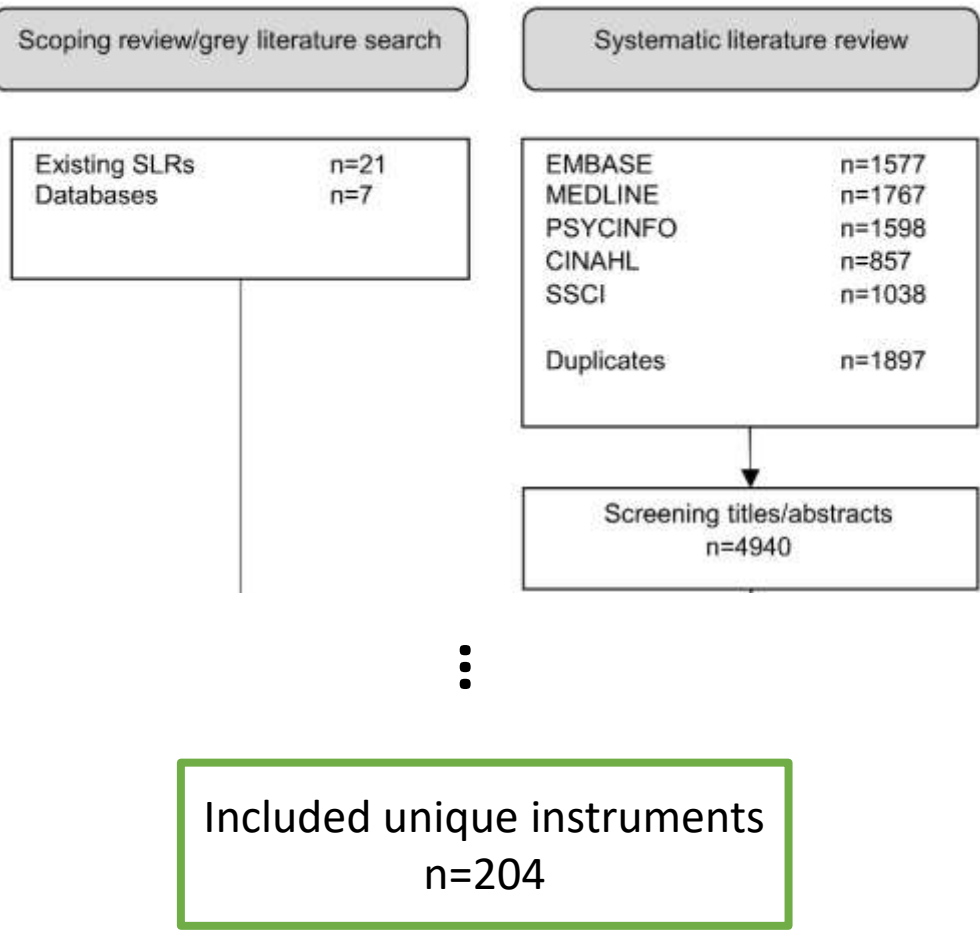


PROM-MH Compendium

- ✔ **Identification** of PROMs used in mental health research – a systematic literature review
- ✔ **Creation of a PROM meta-data** template and data extraction
- ✔ **Compilations of the PECUNIA PROM-MH Compendium**

PROM-MH Compendium

Identification: Results of the Systematic Literature Review



Included PROMs:

- ✓ Measuring **quality of life/well-being or recovery**
- ✓ **Generic** or designed for QOL assessment **across mental health diseases**
- ✓ PROMs identified in the **grey literature search**
- ✓ **Versions of PROMs** included from the systematic and grey literature search

PROM-MH Compendium

Meta-data: Template and Extraction

- 34 types of characteristics extracted for each instrument grouped in five categories

1) Basic information
(e.g. no. of items, year
of development)

2) Scoring

3) Validation in mental
health field

4) Application in multi-
sectoral, multi-national
and multi-person
(economic) evaluations

5) Other information



PROM-MH Compendium

Assessment: PROMs Suitable for Multi-Sectoral, Multi-National and Multi-Person (Economic) Evaluations in MH

Assessment category	Assessment criteria
Multi-person	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Availability of separate adult and child/adolescents versions ii. Availability of a proxy-completion option
Multi-sectoral	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> iii. Feasibility of assessing outcomes beyond health, i.e. capabilities or caregiver, family or social care outcomes
Multi-national	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> iv. Availability of multiple translations (two or more langue versions of the instrument)
Economic evaluation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> v. Availability of a preference-based value set vi. Availability of preference-based value sets in more than one country



Vision

- Free for academic research
- Database of PROMs validated for use across mental disorders
- Easily accessible information

Unique value

- Evidence-based PROM meta-data information
- Comparison across available measures
- Section on suitability in economic evaluations

Way forward

- Exploration of expansion beyond the current scope:
 - Electronic library
 - Expansion of disease areas and regulatory info
 - Regular updates



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