

Ms Riina Sikkut Minister for Health

## **Estonia**

Dear Minister Sikkut,

" ≤ " June 2024, Budapest

Hungary holds the upcoming Presidency of the Council of the European Union in the second half of 2024. During this period, the Hungarian Government aims to put particular emphasis on issues that touch the entire European Union. Therefore, among our priorities cardiovascular health is high on our Presidency agenda. Cardiovascular diseases constitute the leading cause of death in Europe and worldwide today. Our objective is to achieve progress in this field by bringing Europe's leading experts together to contribute to a European action on combating cardiovascular diseases.

To discuss this topic, the Ministry of Interior of Hungary organises a *High-Level Ministerial Conference on Cardiovascular Health on the 4<sup>th</sup> of July 2024 (from 9.00 to 18.00) in Budapest, preceded by an evening reception on the 3<sup>rd</sup> of July. I would be honoured if you kindly accepted our invitation. I would be delighted to welcome a delegation of two (minister + 1 delegate) from each Member State.* 

Invitations are extended to high-ranking officials from EU Member States, representatives of the WHO, and key European stakeholders and academics in this area to attend the conference.

For further information, please find attached the programme of the event and a document containing all practical information, including registration. In case of any questions, do not hesitate to contact my colleagues by e-mail (HUPRES HC SOC@bm.gov.hu).

Please accept, dear Minister, the assurance of my highest consideration and my best wishes for your work.

Yours faithfully,

Dr. Sándor Pintér

Minister of Interior
Hungary