

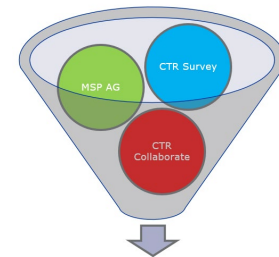


## Addressing stakeholder challenges - what's next?

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*Input received will be integrated into a larger plan to drive improvements in the EU CT environment*



## CTR Survey

- Led by CTAG under ACT EU PA2 on CTR implementation
- Audience: CTIS users
- Scope: technical CTR/CTIS

## MSP AG

- Coordinated by EMA secretariat and embedded in ACT EU
- Audience: clinical trial stakeholders
- Scope: broadly covering issues affecting the development and conduct of clinical trials

## CTR Collaborate

- Led by CTCG, collaboration with MedEthicsEU and anchored to ACT EU PA1
- Audience: NCAs and ethics committees; clinical trial stakeholders
- Scope: work processes between NCAs/ethics, including CTIS issues; has also collected broader external stakeholder feedback via public event



**Significant overlap in feedback from stakeholders.**

**The implementation of the Clinical Trials Regulation remains the top priority to be addressed.**

# CTR Survey - practical aspects to improve at CTIS level or at CTR implementation level?

The overall feedback on the implementation of the CTR and CTIS is mixed, with both positive and negative aspects mentioned.

- 1. CTIS User Experience and Functionality:** Negative feedback
- 2. Harmonisation and Coordination:** Negative feedback: lack of harmonisation across MSs, particularly regarding document requirements and timelines for Part I / II submissions.
- 3. Timelines and Deadlines:** Negative feedback: Timelines for responding to RFIs and submitting modifications are too short, and that there is a need for more flexibility.
- 4. Training and Guidance:** Mixed feedback: Some respondents found the available training materials helpful, while others felt overwhelmed by the amount of information and requested more concise, user-friendly guidance.

Overall, while there are some positive aspects mentioned, the majority of the feedback highlights areas for improvement in the CTIS system, harmonisation and coordination, timelines, and training provided.

## 1. **CTR implementation**

- a) Lack of harmonisation of assessment
- b) National requirements
- c) Lack of flexibility
  - 1. Modifications, IMPD-Q
  - 2. Low risk trials, public health trials

## 2. **Investigator Initiated Trials/Academia**

- a) Operational barriers: training on CTIS, GCP requirements
- b) Early interactions with regulators, scientific advice fees
- c) Funding schemes, multi-national infrastructure
- d) Support mechanisms

## 3. **Methodological innovations**

- a) Complex trial designs, incl. for paediatric trials, rare diseases
- b) Use of RWD/E
- c) Digital health technologies



*(46 issues reported over 14 categories)*

4. Regulatory & scientific advice
5. Regulation interface challenges
6. Training
7. Patient engagement
8. Cross-border clinical trials
9. Off-patent drugs
10. Access to CT data
11. Clarifying CT landscape
12. Diversity, equity and inclusion
13. Embedding CTs in Healthcare
14. Ethical challenges



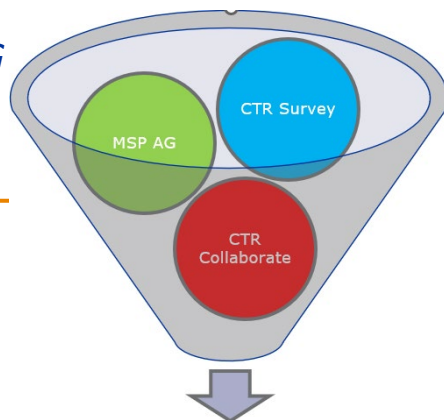
# CTR COLLABORATE - Issues and Criticality

- CTIS issues (SM, second RFI visibility, safety cooperation, notification publication, IMPD-Q only)
- CTR (timelines, Art. 11)
- Collaboration (DAR delivery, considerations, conditions)
- Harmonisation in the EU Clinical Trials Framework
- New strategies for streamlining clinical trial review and approval processes
- Fostering innovation in clinical trial
- Enhancing CTIS functionality and operational efficiency

Issue priority category	Number of issues
Critical	18
Major	14
Minor	15

*Feedback from all channels is considered to drive improvements in the EU CT environment*

**11 Oct**  
*Complete MSP AG  
feedback*



*Prioritisation  
Importance  
Urgency*

**Development of a compiled list of  
issues to inform work of  
ACT EU | CTR Collaborate | CTAG | CTCG |  
MedEthicsEU**

Update during  
ACT EU Annual meetings

**22 and 23 Oct**

**Consolidation | Prioritisation | Allocation | Timing**



# Any questions?

## Further information

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