

Question 5: What information tools are needed for high quality systems management?

Insights from investing in a roadmap for mental health research

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Insights from a Road Map

Background to development of EU Roadmap

Process

Some observations on process

Focus on some key challenges from a health economics /
information tool perspective

Why a road map?

Smart thinking needed on priority setting in research

To develop an accurate picture of the current state of the art

Identifying gaps in current knowledge and in research infrastructure

Setting research goals in co-ordinated way for major sector research funders

Helping to develop research capacity

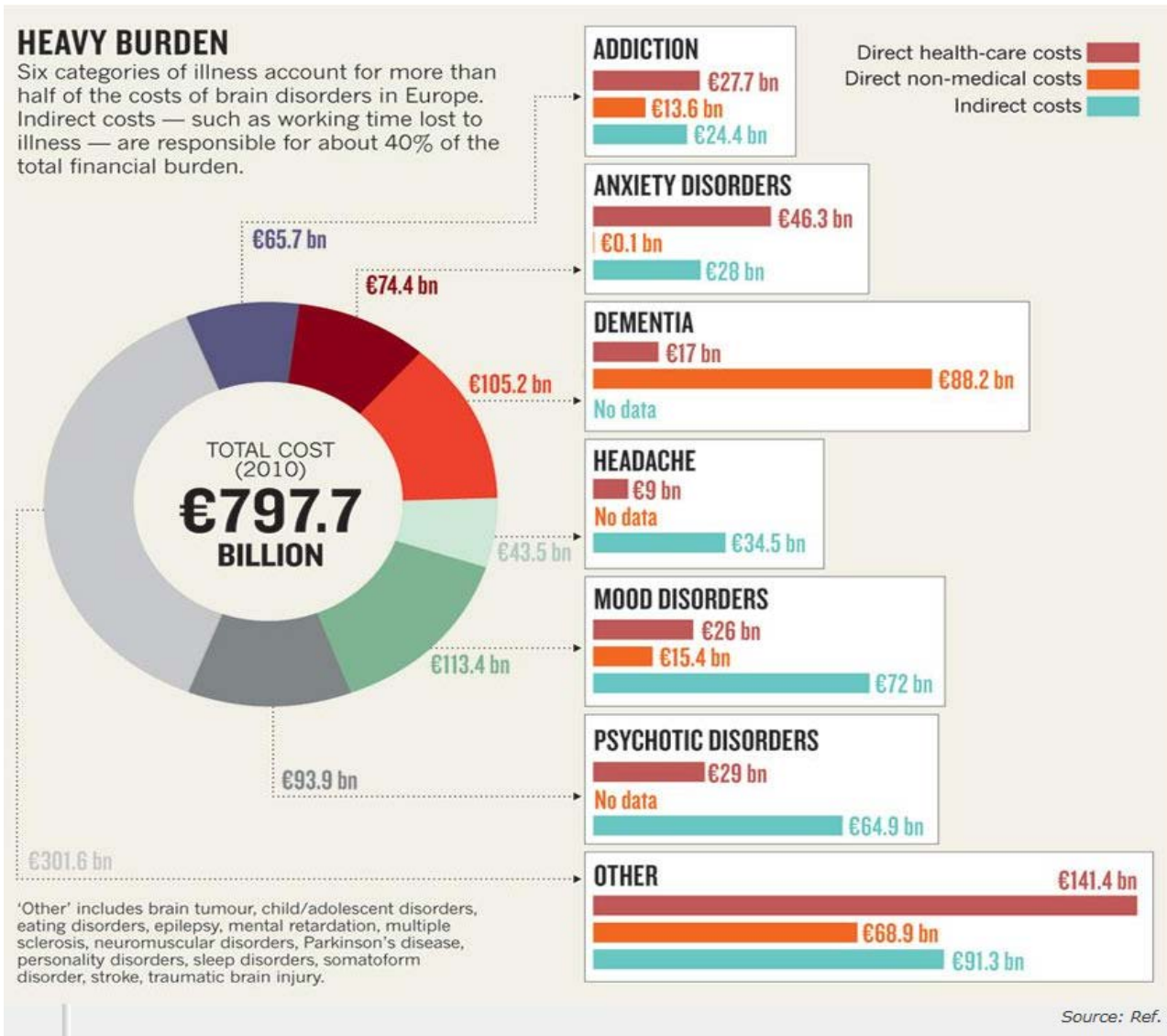
Building coalitions across disciplines

Potential economic returns on research investment



Many motivations,
but potentially
avoidable socio-
economic impacts an
important driver

Motivation: Changing economic impact

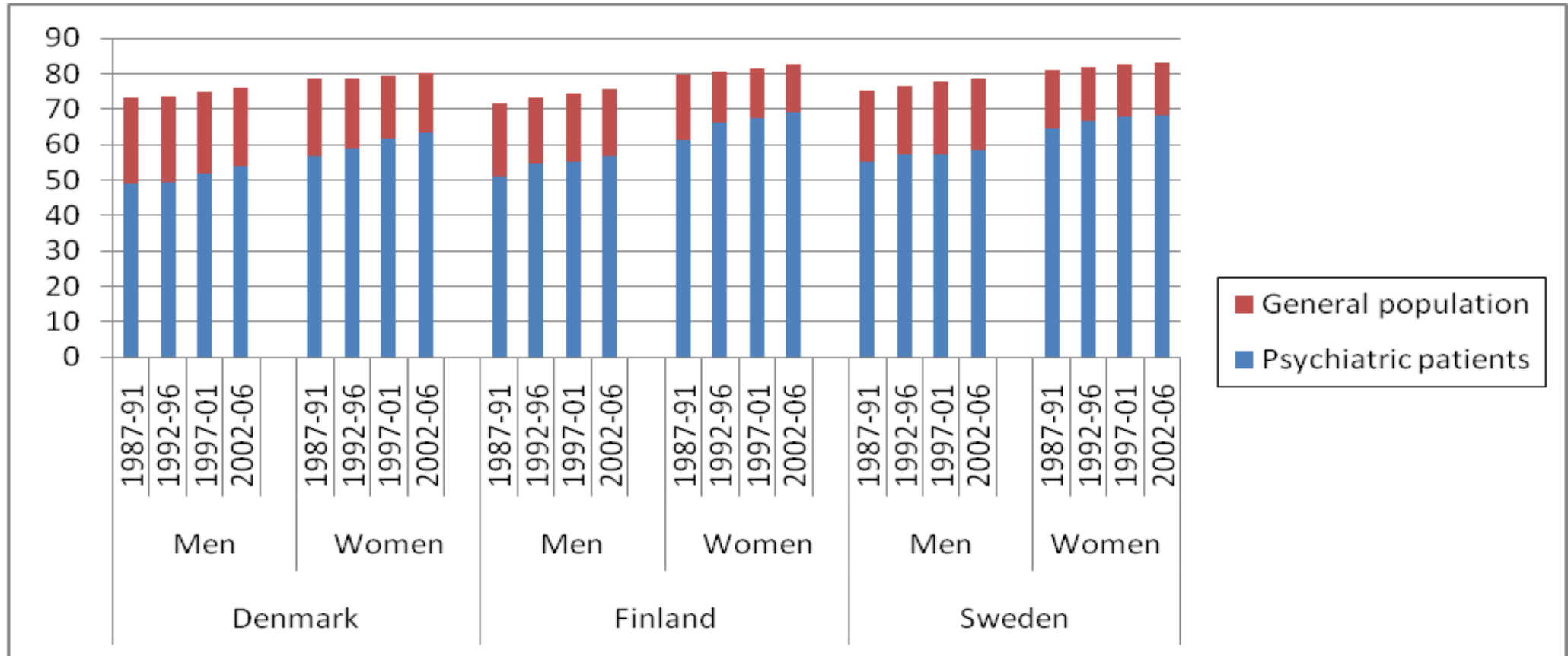


Potentially avoidable
economic impacts

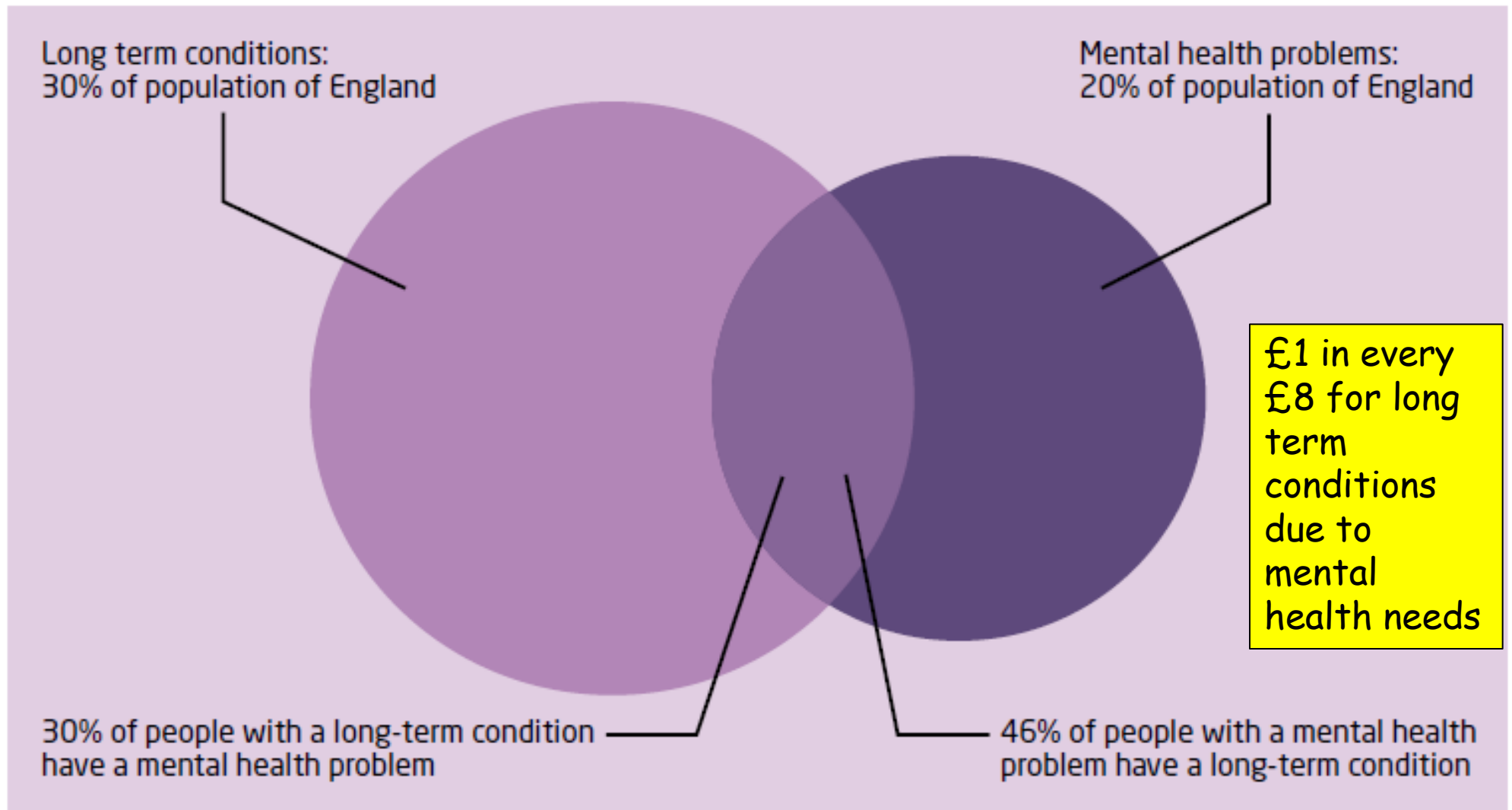
€800 billion
Excluding co-morbidity
costs

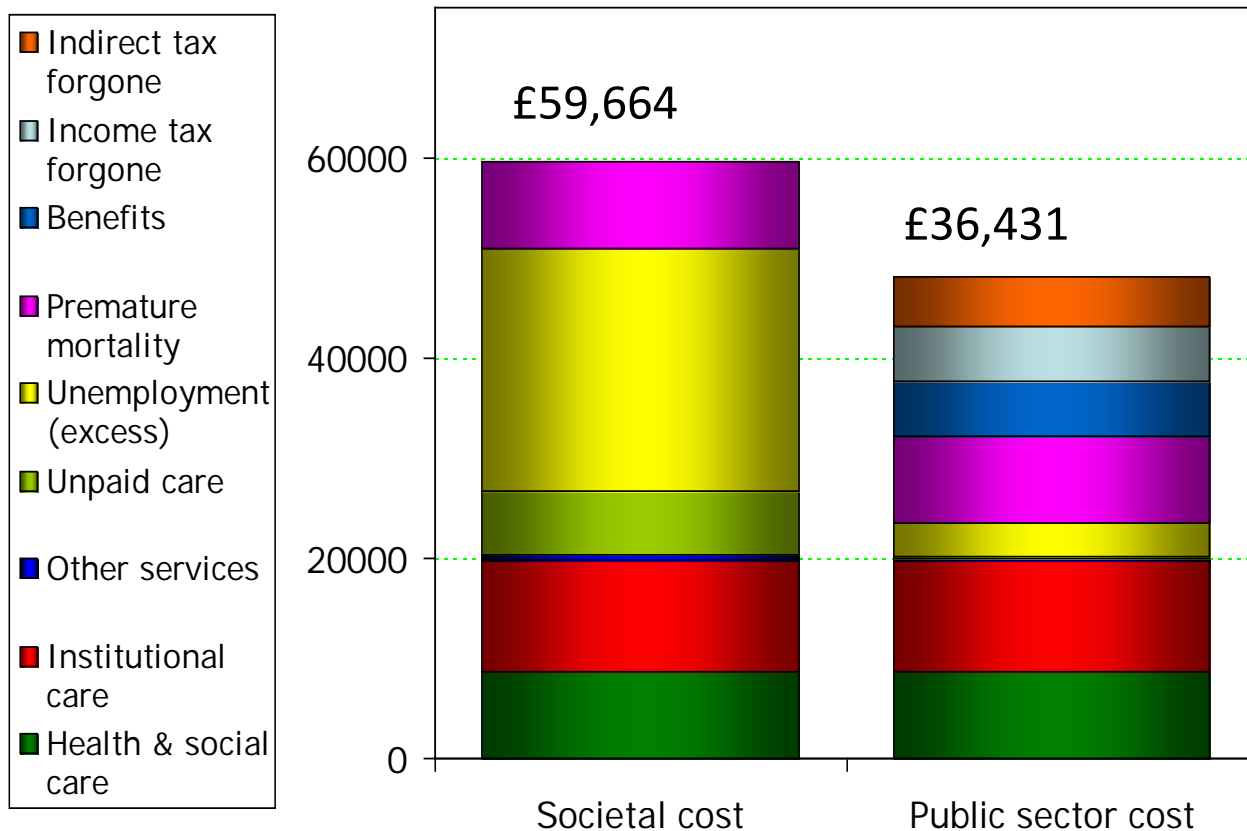
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Gap between policies and practice: life expectancy for people with severe mental illness in the Nordic countries



Overlap between long term conditions and mental health problems





Schizophrenia has enormous personal consequences for people with the illness and for their families.

Unsurprisingly, it also has ***huge economic consequences*** for them, as well as for government and for society as a whole.

Total annual cost of schizophrenia in England is around **\$ CAN 19 billion**.
Cost to the public sector is more than **\$ CAN 11.2 billion**.

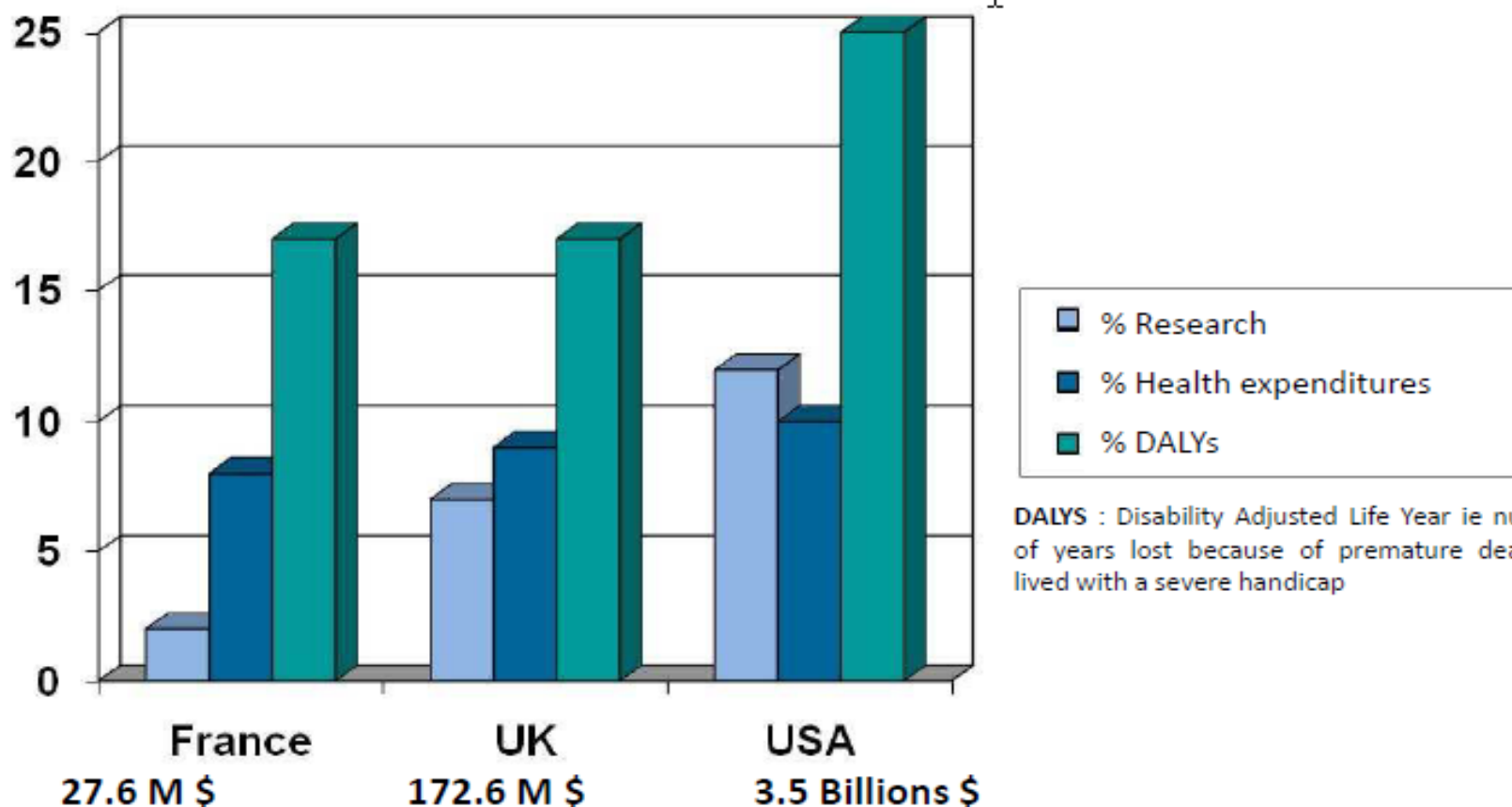
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ROAMER

A Roadmap for Mental Health Research in Europe

Comparison of the funding for research in psychiatry Compared to DALY, and cost of mental health in France, UK, USA in 2007

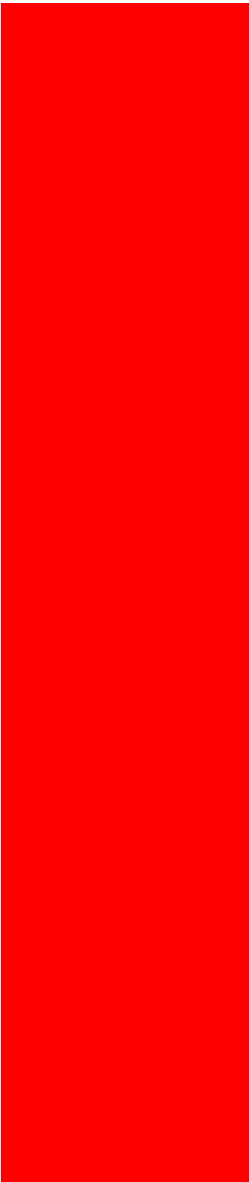


DALYS : Disability Adjusted Life Year ie number of years lost because of premature death or lived with a severe handicap

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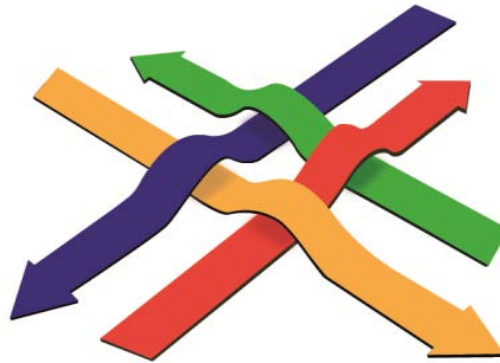




What does it take
to develop a
roadmap?

The ROAMER project

The **ROAMER project** is funded by the European Commission under the Framework Programme 7 (FP7), and it has sought to meet an essential need for a coordinated and comprehensive approach to the promotion and integration of research in mental health and well-being in Europe.



Runs from
October 2011 to
March 2015

Budget €2
million

The goal has been to develop an effective and widely accepted Roadmap for Mental health and Well-being Research in Europe for the next 10-15 years.

The aim is not to define specific projects to be done at short-term, but to establish and prioritise lines of research with a perspective of 10 years.

Consortium
reflects big gaps
in capacity in
Eastern part of
Europe

Consortium members

Other participants

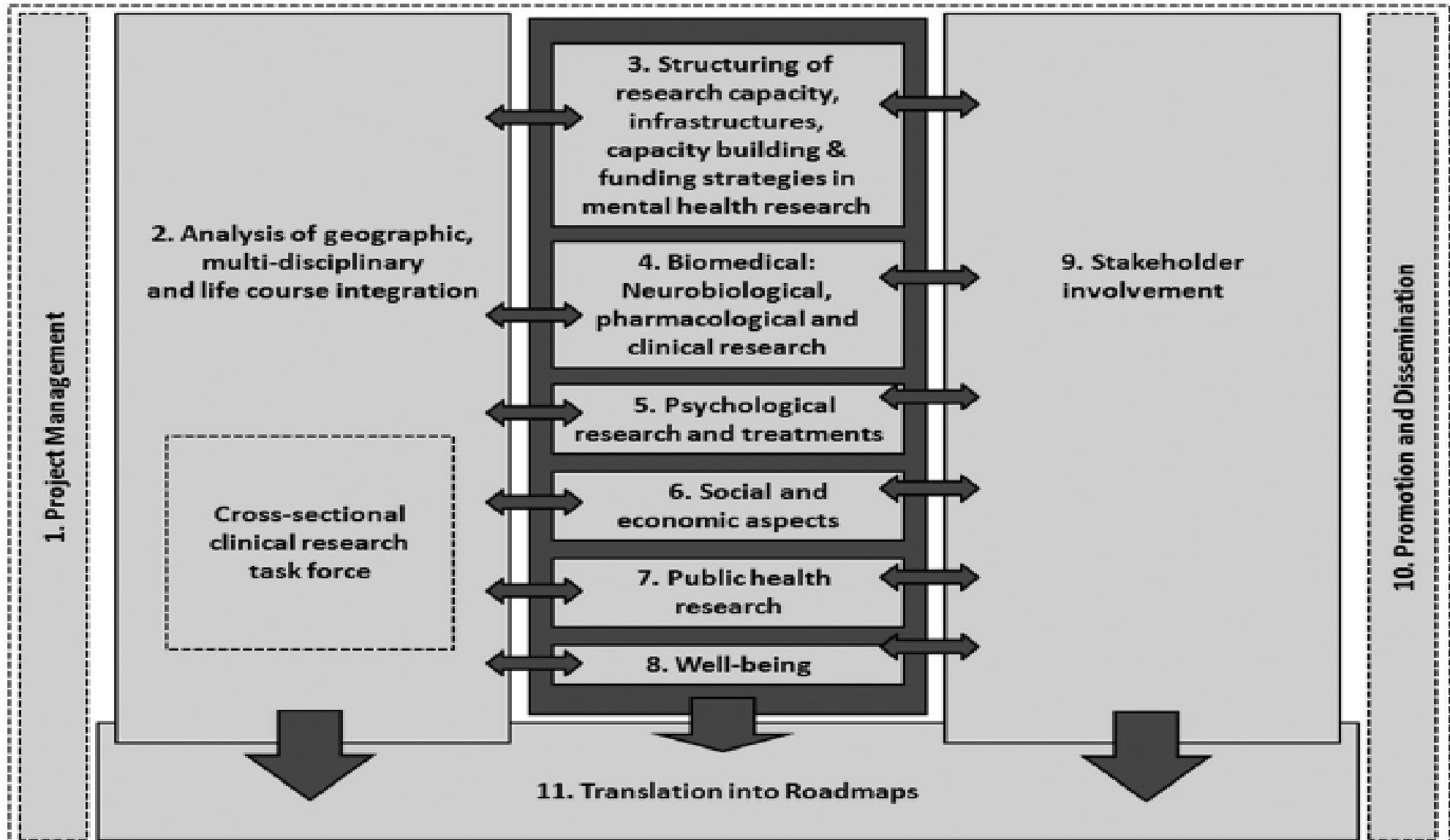


The consortium

Partners

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3. Fondation FondaMental
4. European Clinical Research Infrastructures Network
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6. Technical University of Dresden
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Structure



Highly iterative process and space to think

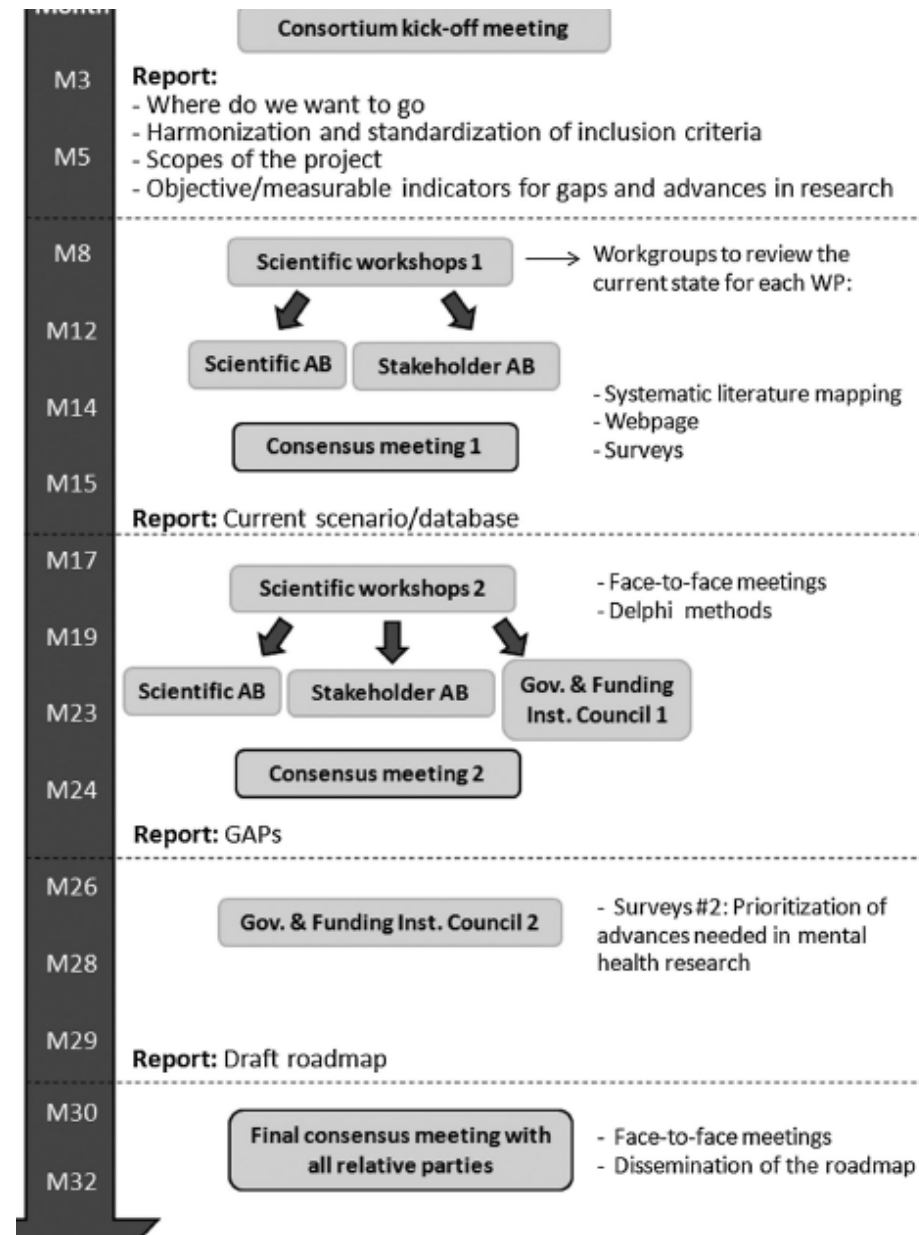
Face to face meetings and
workshops

Delphi process to identify
gaps and areas for research

Surveys and involvement of
even wider groups of experts
in prioritisation process

Priorities then identified in
all areas covered

Will be used to inform
European Commission's own
Scientific Research
Programme Horizon 2020



What else does it take to develop a roadmap?

Buy in and engagement from many different groups

Lots of meetings

Patience

Diplomatic skills

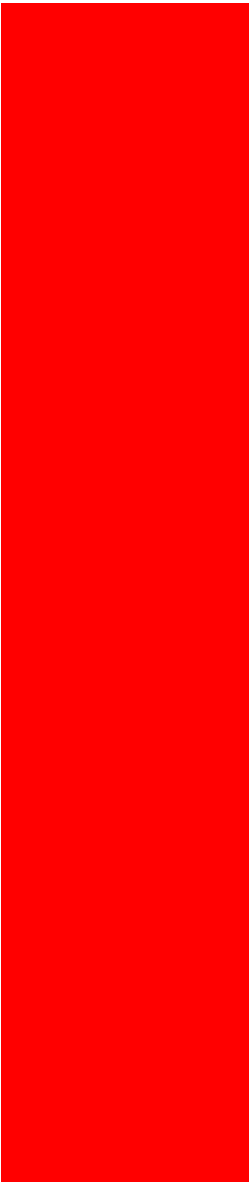
Time for people to network across disciplines

Space for blues skies thinking - and not just from the 'usual interest groups'

Good links with research funders and policy makers

Some examples of critical gaps

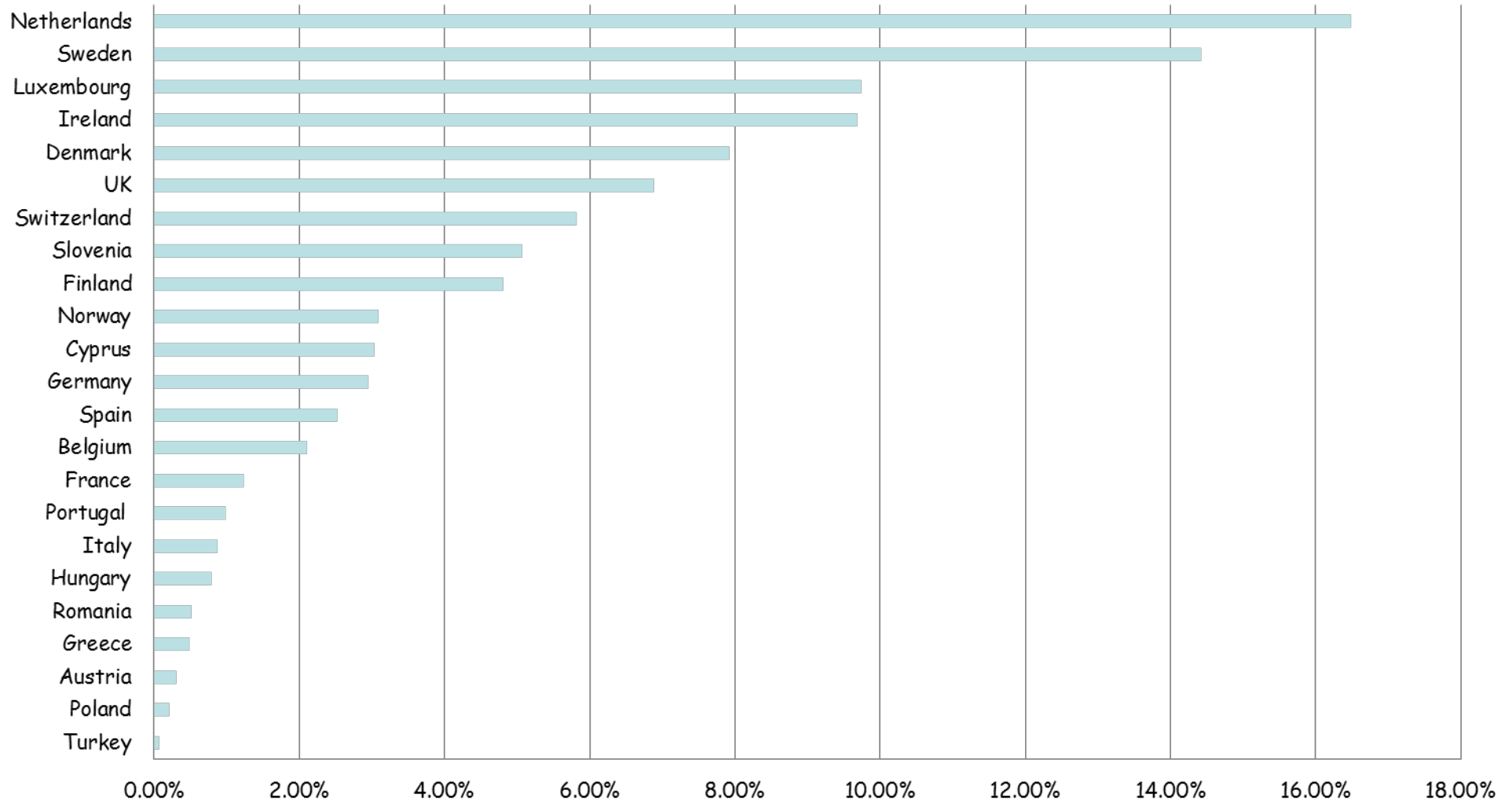
- Multi-morbidity and diagnostic classification systems
- Lack of infrastructure and lack of information on the actual use of psychological therapies in many countries
- Little evaluation on effectiveness & cost effectiveness of anti-stigma and social inclusion measures
- Opportunities for greater focus on service user led research
- More on mechanisms to develop more personalised medicine strategies
- A lack of evidence on effectiveness of policies to promote mental health and wellbeing.



Examples of health economic research issues and information tools

Where are economic study authors based?

Countries of authors weighted for population



Priority economic issues for roadmap

Performance assessment of complex mental health systems, looking at difference in system structures across Europe, including role of different incentives and regulatory environments

Assessing budgetary and economic implications of task shifting, changing responsibilities for the delivery of care.

Economic evaluation of different combinations of interventions

Economic evaluation of new modes of delivery: use of digital technologies and apps, personalised treatment algorithms

Assessing economic impact of actions to tackle multi-morbidity

Analysis of interventions and impacts beyond health systems: housing, debt management programmes, employment, anti-stigma initiatives

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Examining the cost effectiveness of interventions to promote the physical health of people with mental health problems: a systematic review

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Opportunities for further strengthening knowledge on economic case

Potential economic benefits of risk reduction

We looked at the potential economic benefits of achieving a modest 1% reduction in excess risk of diabetes and CVD across the EU in a one year period. This could avoid lifetime costs of circa €500 million.

	Diabetes (€'s millions)	CVD (€'s millions)	Total Costs Avoided (€'s millions)
Schizophrenia	€79	€37	€116
Bipolar	€40	€29	€69
Depression	€96	€205	€304

Implications for information infrastructure

Ability of mental health (and other) information systems to routinely collect data on engagement, process, outputs and outcomes

Agreeing on indicators that are measureable that go beyond the conventional - not just suicide or readmission rates - e.g. social functioning, physical health

What role can new technologies play in data collection?

Addressing human capacity and infrastructure challenges across all of Canada

So can a road map for research help?

Yes - but needs time - 3 years for Roamer

Needs buy in from across scientific and stakeholder communities

Helpful to have some focus on cross cutting issues and not just stay within different research 'silos'

Requires good leadership, diplomatic skills good communication channels

To increase chance to make a difference must ensure engagement with research commissioners from the very beginning

For more information

For more information on the European Road Map for
Mental Health Research

<http://www.roamer-mh.org/>