

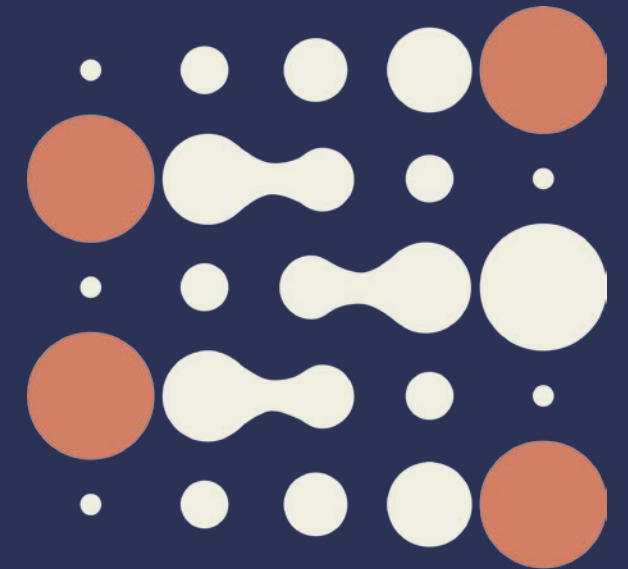
IARC Summer School and leveraging its impact

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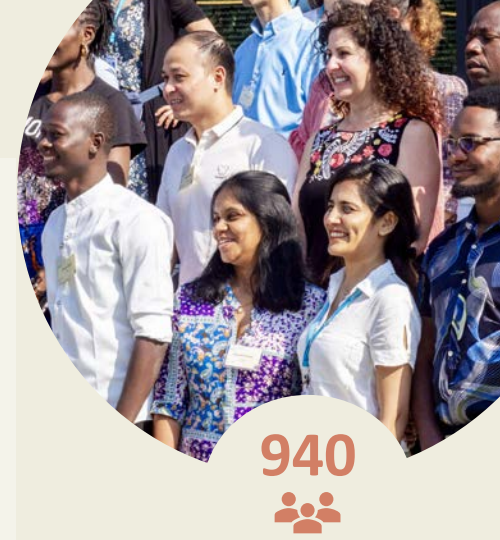
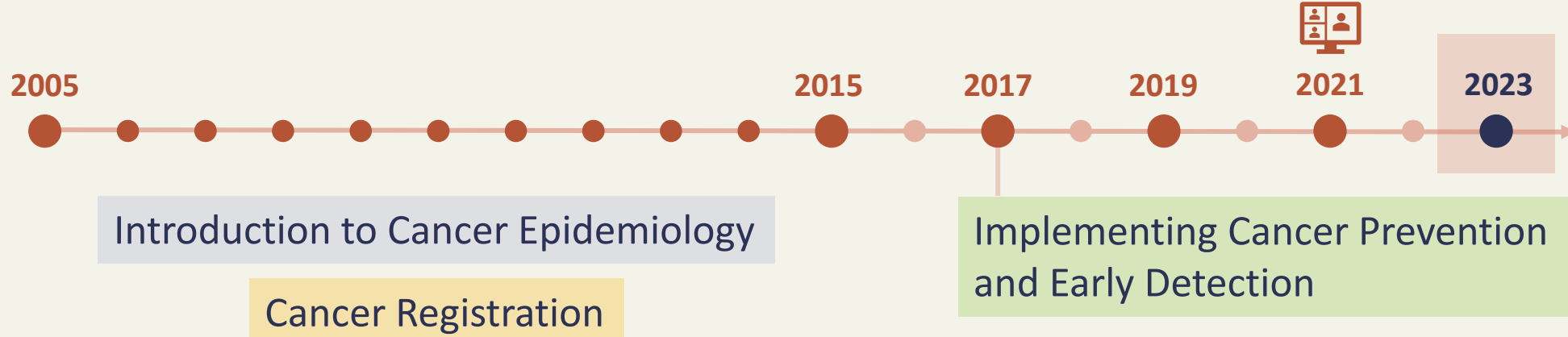
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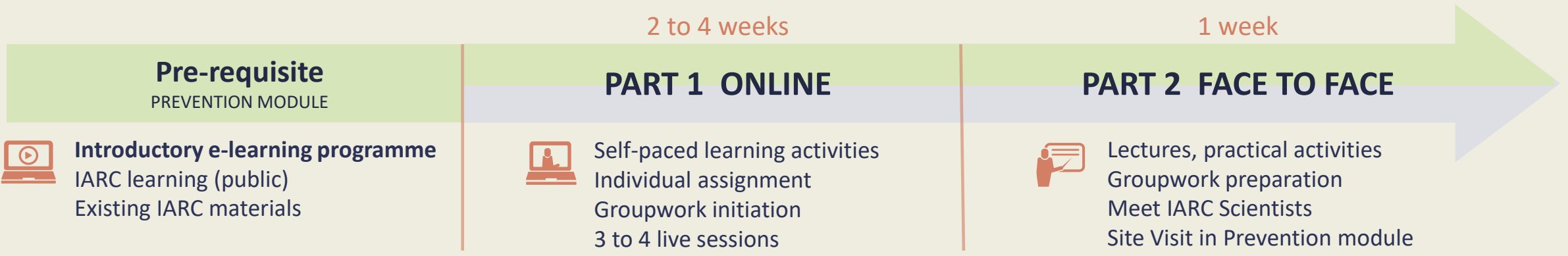
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IARC Summer School overview



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Introductory e-learning programme
 IARC learning (public)
 Existing IARC materials

Self-paced learning activities
 Individual assignment
 Groupwork initiation
 3 to 4 live sessions

Lectures, practical activities
 Groupwork preparation
 Meet IARC Scientists
 Site Visit in Prevention module



12 Public events

International Agency for Research on Cancer
 World Health Organization

IARC SUMMER SCHOOL 2023
 Public Events Series

What do countries really need to drive policy change in cancer?

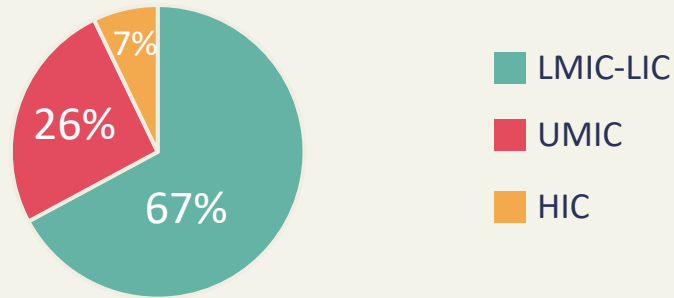
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Training researchers from developing countries

2023 Participants country distribution

as per World Bank ranking



IARC Summer School Scholarships scheme

Costs	LMIC-LIC	UMIC	HIC
Registration fee €1.800,00	Scholarship	Scholarship	at participant's charge
Travel expenses €1.250,00	Scholarship	at participant's charge	at participant's charge
Living expenses €750,00	Scholarship	Scholarship	at participant's charge
	Eligible for IARC Full Scholarship €3.800,00	Eligible for IARC Partial Scholarship €2.550,00	No scholarship



2023 Supporters

WHO Regional Office for South-East Asia
 WHO Country Office for Papua New Guinea
 CHG Meridian, Germany

Impact – 2023 Evaluation

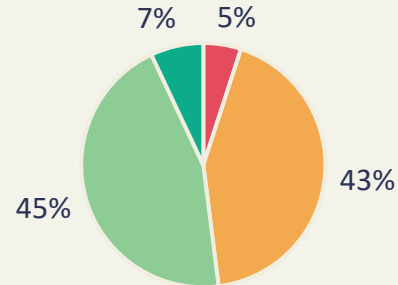
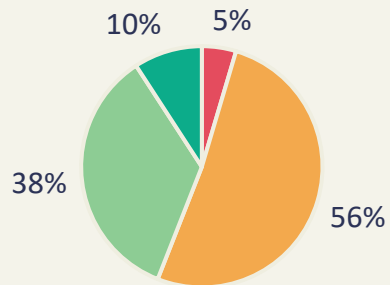
Participants' confidence in the knowledge and skills covered in the programme

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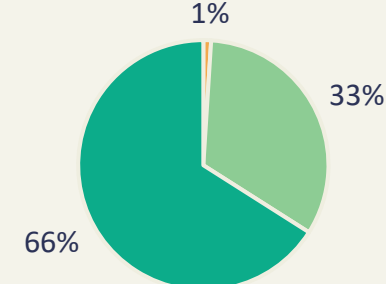
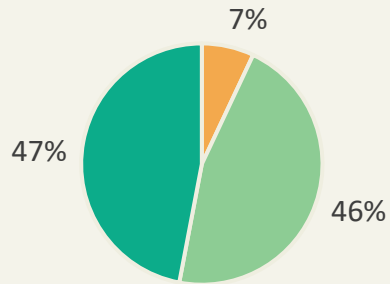
Introduction to Cancer Epidemiology

Cancer Prevention and Early Detection

Before



After



Impact of participating in the IARC Summer School 2023 on participants' self-ratings about their confidence in the knowledge and skills covered in the two modules. Comparison of pre-course and post-course survey results. The numbers of responses "Poor", "Fair", "Good", and "Very good" across all learning objectives per module are expressed as percentages. © IARC.



"IARC Summer School is one of the most wonderful role models of the world in-service capacity building. It involves a world without boundary to combat deadly disease cancer."
Girma Mulisa Misgana, Ethiopia.



"I loved the diversity in terms of career background [...] and the potential for friendship and networking."
Patrick Idoko, The Gambia.

Coming back to the Agency!

With a UICC fellowship funding:

Ishak Lawal, Nigeria

Athanase Munyaneza, Rwanda

Chinelo Nduka, Nigeria

Ariwan Saeed, Iraq

As a Post-doctoral Scientist
in EPR Branch:

Sathishraja Palaniraja, India

Read about the experience of an IARC - International Agency for Research on Cancer / World Health Organization #summerschool participant. ...see more



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Impact - 2021 outcome survey (2017-2019 participants)



74%
are still active in
cancer research



93%
applied what
they learned



94%
have reused material
for themselves

43%
have used it to train
others



74%
developed
collaborations with IARC

92%
of these are
still active



41%
developed
collaborations with other
course participants

86%
of these are
still active

Survey sent to 173 Participants 2017-2019 – 44% respondents

Respondents considered the Summer School
helpful (72%), or decisive (29%) for their career

Leveraging the impact

Regional Learning Centres to increase the capacity in cancer research for cancer prevention



IARC-NCC China Learning Centre
MoU signed in 2023

Scope:
Southeastern Asia

IARC-INCA Brazil Learning Centre
Ongoing agreement and planning

Scope:
Brazil and neighbouring countries
Portuguese-speaking LMICs

Partner:

- Programme development following IARC format and adaptation to regional context
- Recruitment and coordination of local faculty/facilitators
- Application and administration of participants
Support to participants from LIMC/UMIC
- Overall costs and logistics

Objectives:

- Organization of learning events and courses (including existing initiatives CanScreen5, GICR, etc.)
- Development of e-learning resources

1st activity:

organization of one or more modules of the IARC Summer School

Executive Committee and Advisory Board
with IARC & Partners representatives, and nominated experts
Co-badging of training course documents and announcement

IARC :

- Sharing the existing material for replication under creative common licence
- Technical guidance
- Hosting of online spaces on IARC learning portal
- Evaluation of the course and impact (pre- and post-course)

Take-home message and next steps

- Partnerships are key to train more health professionals and researchers to develop local expertise and strengthen capacity in cancer research globally.



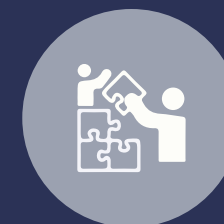
Adaptation to
region specificities
and challenges



Professional
networking and
opportunities



Promotion of
regional collaborations
in cancer research



Impact on capacity
building in cancer
research in LMICs

- Next steps

IARC-NCC China Learning Center

Epidemiology

June-July 2024

IARC-Brazil Learning Center

Epidemiology

Prevention

March 2025

IARC Summer School in Lyon

Epidemiology

Registration

Prevention

2025 or 2026