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Bulgarian Society of Cardiology

Subject: Thank you for your contribution to the first EU Screening Week

Dear colleagues of the Bulgarian Society of Cardiology,

On behalf of the European Society of Cardiology and the Task Force on cardiometabolic health checks, I would like to warmly thank you for your outstanding contribution to the first EU Screening Week. Through your Know Your Values campaign, the BSC brought the message of cardiovascular prevention to the whole country, combining policy, education and public engagement in an exemplary way.

Some highlights of your work:

- **A step towards lasting policy change:** your work with the authorities to integrate SCORE2 and SCORE2-OP risk calculators into the National Health Information System and the e-Health patient record, with Sofia Municipality keen to act as a pilot in 2027.
- **Wide national media coverage,** including the morning shows of BNT and bTV on World Heart Day and extensive national and regional reporting.
- **School Heart Week:** cardiologists visiting over 150 schools to speak with around 5,000 children, with the support of the Ministry of Education and Science.
- **Bulgaria Glows in Red:** landmarks across the country lit up, a drone show over the National Palace of Culture, and “Climb with Your Cardiologist” activities in many cities.

Embedding cardiovascular risk assessment into national digital health systems is exactly the kind of long-term impact the Screening Week aims to inspire, and we look forward to following its progress.

We are very grateful for your dedication and look forward to continuing our work together to make cardiovascular health a priority across Europe.

With our sincere thanks and kind regards,

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