# Part 1 Diabetes key facts

## Diabetes and chronic disease: a call to action for world economies

#### **CHRONIC DISEASE**

- 'One of the major **challenges for development** in the 21<sup>st</sup> century' *United Nations, 2011* (1)
- 'Too big to fail' European Chronic Disease Alliance, 2012 (2)

#### **DIABETES: THE ARCHETYPAL CHRONIC DISEASE**

- 'A **clear threat** to development and economic growth' World Economic Forum and the Harvard School of Public Health, 2011 (3)
- 'Already taking a **noticeable share of GDP**... these costs can only escalate' *Economist Intelligence Unit, 2007* (4)









#### Diabetes: social and economic sustainability

#### More people in Europe living with diabetes:

Projected increase of 14m by 2035
...from 56m to 70m
...more children with T1D and T2D (1)



#### **Higher costs to healthcare:**

...10% of all costs in 2013 ... increase from €109bn to €117bn by 2035 in Europe: (1)

#### Major economic burden:

Indirect costs over **€100bn** in EU5 alone in 2010 (2)
...and set to rise



#### Diabetes – why action is needed now

#### A huge toll on society:

- Costs more than all cancers combined, <sup>(4,5)</sup> and kills more people than breast and prostate cancer together <sup>(6)</sup>
- Responsible for 1 in 10 deaths, or 619,000 deaths every year<sup>(1)</sup>

#### **Unmet health needs:**

- Up to half of all cases are undiagnosed in Europe (9,10)
- Of those diagnoses, 50% do not achieve adequate glucose control, putting them at increased risk of heart disease, stroke, kidney disease and blindness (10,11,12)
- Limits to even the most basic diabetes care exist in some EU countries. (2,8,13,14)

#### **Health impact beyond diabetes:**

- Diabetes is the number one cause of:
  - ➤ End-stage renal disease (15)
  - New cases of blindness in adults of working age (16,17)
- Diabetes leads to a 3-5 times greater risk of heart disease<sup>(18)</sup> and doubles the risk of stroke  $^{(19)}$
- Diabetes increases the risk of foot amputation 23-fold. (20)

#### The cost of inaction

"The cost of care for diabetes is high but the cost of doing nothing is far greater."

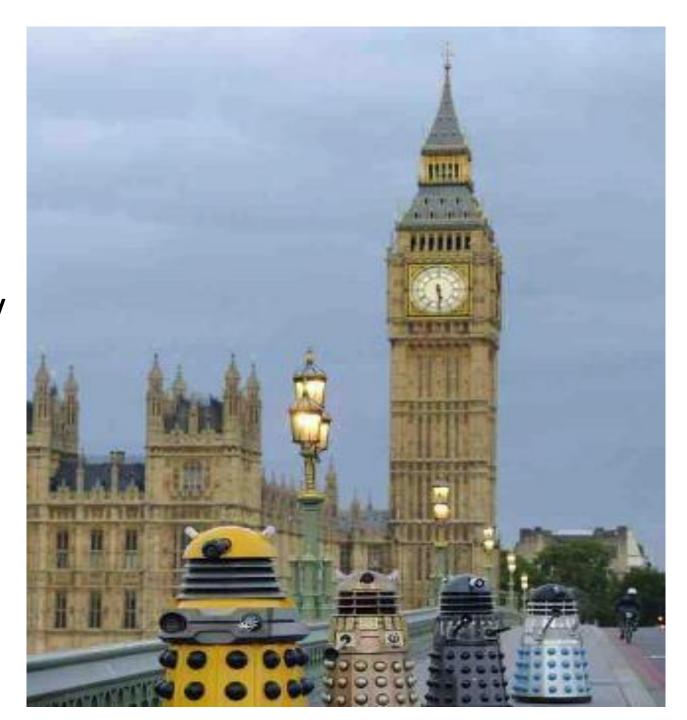
The Economic Intelligence Unit, 2007 (1)

#### If we do nothing...

- The number of people affected by diabetes will rise by 14 million. (2)
- Diabetic complications will also rise e.g. heart attacks, strokes, lower limb amputations, and cases of blindness (3,4)
- The costs of diabetes and chronic disease could cripple our healthcare systems. (4,5)
- The cost to the general economy will be significant in terms of lost productivity (5-7)
- Limits in access to basic diabetes care will compound the problem. (7-9)
- For the first time in history, the life expectancy in our children will be lower than that of previous generations due to the impact of obesity. (10)

# Part 2 The Need For Networks

The All Party
Parliamentary
Group for
Diabetes





#### Part 3

## ExPAND a resource for advocates for Diabetes

## The UK APPG Diabetes

All Party Parliamentary Group for Diabetes

## EXPAND: an example of parliamentarians working together



The European Policy Action Network on Diabetes

#### The ExPAND Policy Toolkit on Diabetes: content overview

Accessible and accurate information across 7 key areas of diabetes policy



'30 second' summaries and key facts



**Parliamentary** style Q&A



**Clinical evidence** summaries



Good practice case studies



Checklists for policy makers

A whole population approach

**Prevention and screening** 

Format
and
function
replicated
in each
chapter /
key area
of policy

Multidisciplinary care

**Patient empowerment** 

Innovation and access to care

Children in schools

Older people

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