# NCD Alliances

UICC members have a crucial role to play in delivering national action on NCDs through national and regional alliances.

Many of the solutions to more effective cancer prevention and control are shared across NCDs, such as diabetes, cardiovascular disease and chronic respiratory disease. UICC is a founding federation of the NCD Alliance, a unique civil society network, uniting 2,000 organisations in more than 170 countries, dedicated to improving NCD prevention and control worldwide.

As well as promoting global advocacy, NCD Alliance supports national and regional NCD civil society organisations and coordinates a growing network of 45 national and regional NCD alliances, strengthening these vital platforms for collaboration and unified advocacy.

*"Together, as an alliance, we advocated for the inclusion of a target in the Sustainable Development Goals to reduce premature mortality due to NCDs by one third by 2030. I encourage all cancer advocates to get involved in NCD advocacy and connect with, or start, local NCD networks to amplify your voice and call for increased government action on cancer and NCDs."*

**Katie Dain, Executive Director, NCD Alliance**

*"The challenge of NCDs is so huge that one single stakeholder can't tackle it alone. By standing together with our alliance partners, we as cancer advocates gain a broader perspective, are more easily heard by decision-makers and have more impact. For the better of all of us."*

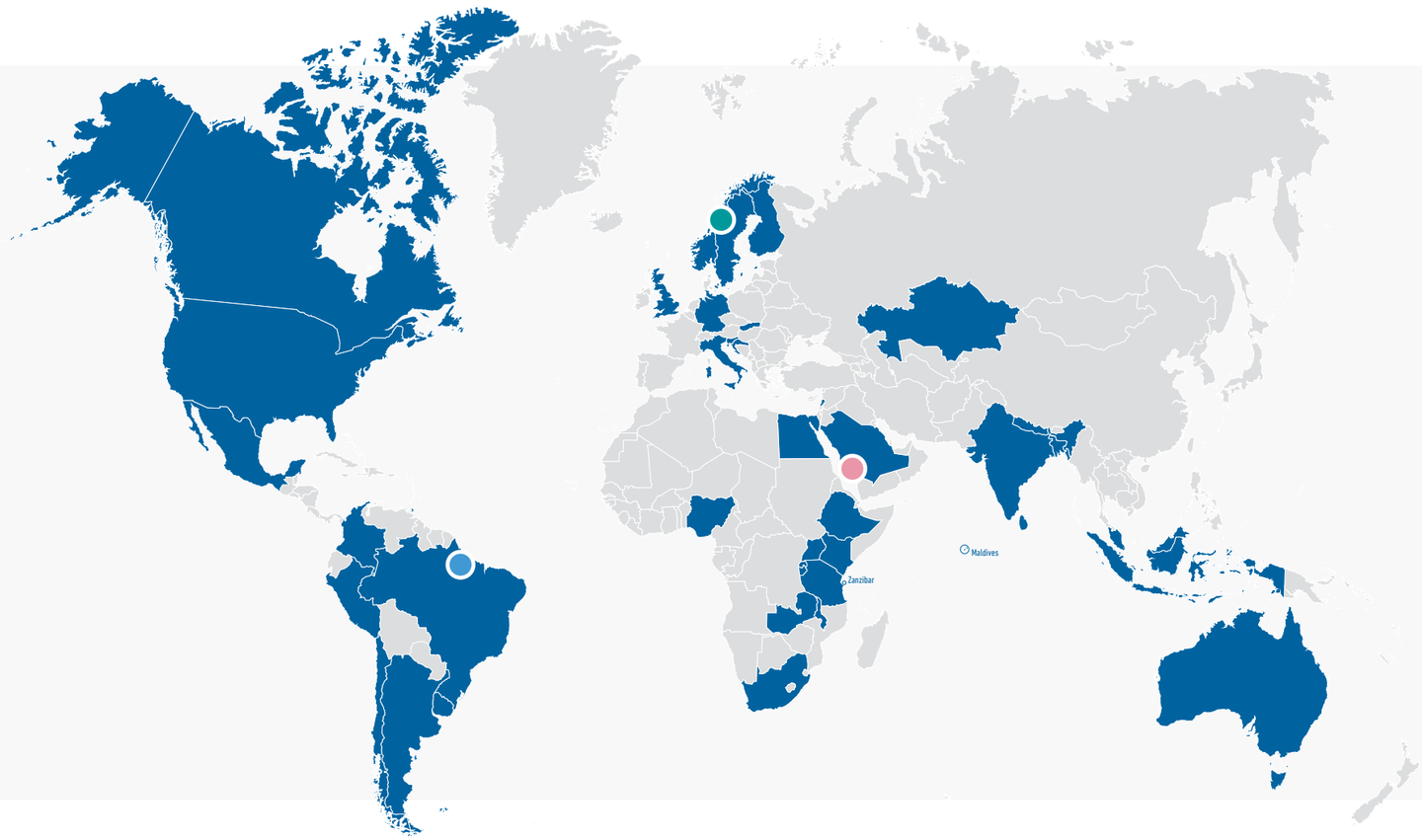
**Anne Lise Ryel, Secretary General, Norwegian Cancer Society**

*"The NCD movement offers enormous opportunity to expand our tobacco control advocacy networks and increase our chances of policy impact. As tobacco advocates we also have unique advocacy skills that can benefit the rest of the NCD community."*

**Paula Johns, Executive Director, ACT+**

## Current Distribution of Regional And National NCD Alliances

**45** NCD Alliances Worldwide




### Forging powerful partnerships with risk factor organisations in Brazil

ACT+Br, was originally ACT Br, a tobacco control organisation. After 2014, it broadened its mission to include NCDs and in 2015, it advocated tirelessly with the Brazilian government for the inclusion of tobacco and NCDs in the SDGs, in which it was successful. Implementing the FCTC is one of the key means of implementation for the health goal.

### Shaping national policy in Ethiopia

The Consortium of Ethiopian NCD Associations (CENCDA) was formed in July 2012, with the Mathiwos Wondu-YeEthiopia Cancer Society acting as its secretariat. The consortium advocated for a Strategic NCD Framework, a key policy and strategic document, which was integrated into the Fourth Health Sector Development Program for the first time.

### Leveraging networks in Norway

The Norwegian NCD Alliance was formed in 2010 by four members: Norwegian Health Association, Norwegian Cancer Society, Norwegian Heart and Lung Foundation and Norwegian Diabetes Association. It has successfully collaborated with the Norwegian government on a physical activity campaign targeting over 50s who are not physically active to help them reduce their own risk of developing cancer, heart or lung disease.