

RESIL-Card in Milan Results, lessons and next steps.

From cath lab self-assessment to more
resilient cardiovascular emergency
networks.

**European consortium meeting
21-22 October 2026**

A concluding meeting. A forward-looking agenda.

Following a dedicated session at GISE47, Milan hosts RESIL-Card's concluding meeting.

European consortium partners and Principal Investigator William Wijns come together to share results and discuss the tool's further development.

When services come under pressure, how can cardiovascular care continue?

Launched in 2023 under the EU4Health programme, RESIL-Card draws on lessons from COVID-19 to address this challenge.

Its focus: helping cardiovascular services assess their preparedness and identify organisational vulnerabilities



On 13 October at GISE47, the session "RESIL-Card: Building Resilient Cardiovascular Care Systems Across Europe", coordinated by Giovanni Esposito, Alfredo Marchese and Fina Mauri, explored the project's progress and adoption in clinical centres.

William Wijns presented the project roadmap, while Anna Franzone shared the Italian experience with the self-assessment tool.

Lucia Barbieri, Marco Caruso and Cristian Di Russo moderated the discussion, engaging participants in exploring how RESIL-Card could be adopted in individual centres.

How prepared is a cath lab to cope with disruption?

Released in March 2026, the RESIL-Card Tool provides a structured self-assessment of organisational resilience.

It helps centres examine their ability to respond to critical situations, identifying both strengths and areas requiring attention.

Making strengths and vulnerabilities visible.

A heat map presents the profile emerging from the assessment, highlighting areas of greater preparedness and those requiring further review.

The findings provide a starting point for team discussion, improvement priorities and exchanges between centres.



**Around 60 cath labs
already on board.
A target of 110
across Italy.**

GISE has played a central role in disseminating RESIL-Card and encouraging Italian centres to participate.

The aim is to make self-assessment a practical foundation for continuous organisational improvement.

From individual centres to cardiovascular emergency networks.

GISE aims to bring insights from the Italian experience into discussions with healthcare institutions and technical stakeholders.

The priority: shared organisational models that support timely referral to the most appropriate centre.



Better organisation, with patients' needs at its core.

The ambition is to reduce geographical inequalities, mortality and length of hospital stay through more effective emergency networks.

This commitment aligns with Together – Bridging Disparities and GISE's Welfare working group, supporting evidence-informed planning and dialogue on Health Technology Assessment.

The project reaches a milestone. The work on resilience continues.

Proud to look back on three years of collaboration and see how our joint efforts have contributed to the development and implementation of the RESIL-Card tool.

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A strong partnership, a shared commitment, and a common goal: more resilient cardiovascular care pathways.



