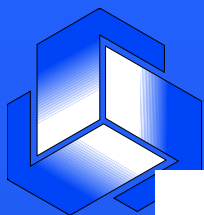


EORTC Quality of Life Group

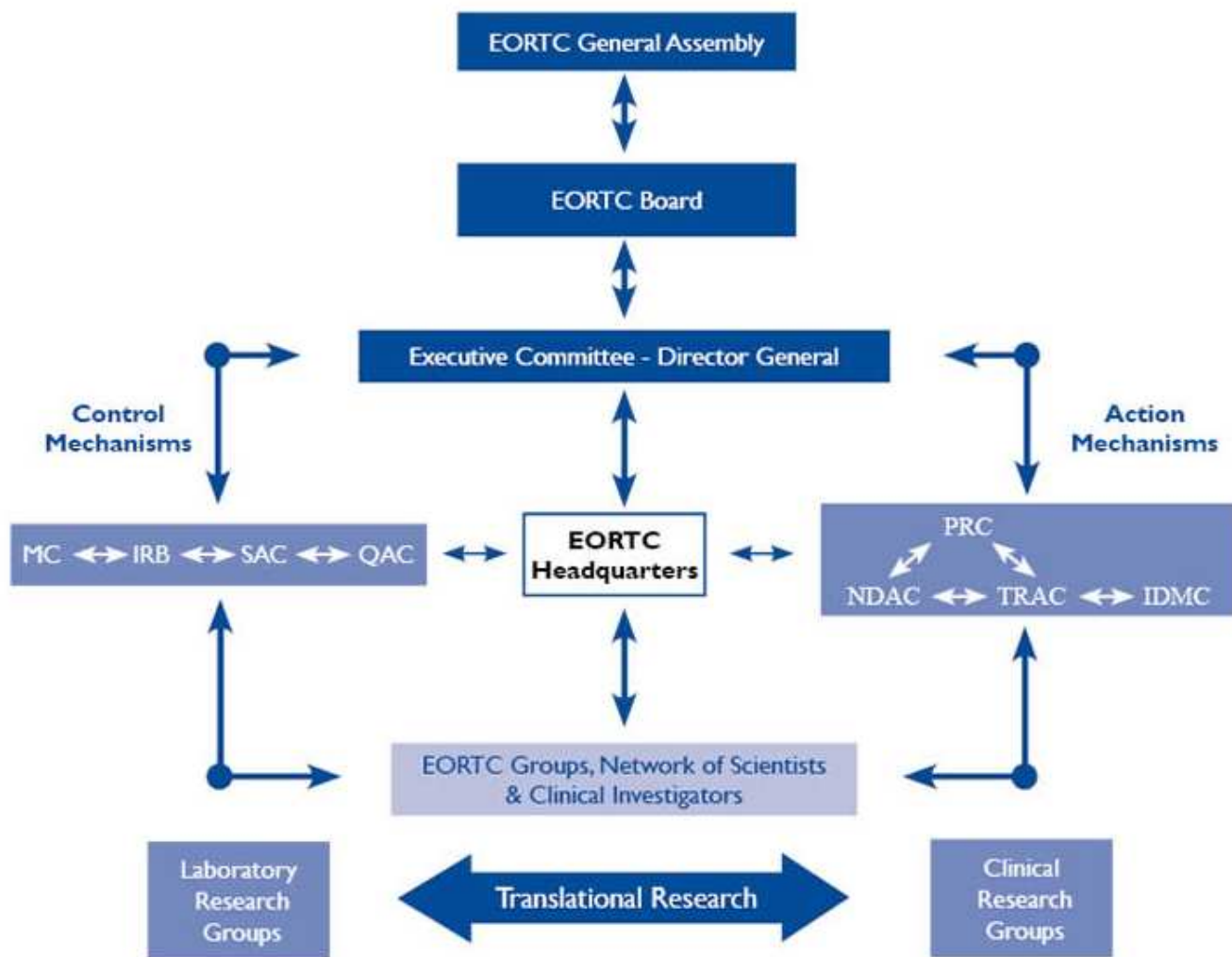
- Aim – to develop measures for quality of life outcomes and support their use in clinical trials
- Created in 1980 as one of the EORTC co-operative groups
- Clinicians and researchers: Oncologists, surgeons, psychologists, nurses, statisticians, social scientists, many PhD students
- From 15 European countries, Canada, Australia, USA, Taiwan, Brazil
- 70 members, 15 corresponding members (March 2010)

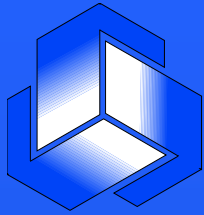
EORTC Quality of Life Department –

- ◆ supports administratively the Group activities;
- ◆ direct support for QOL studies in EORTC trials
- ◆ Research projects from external grants

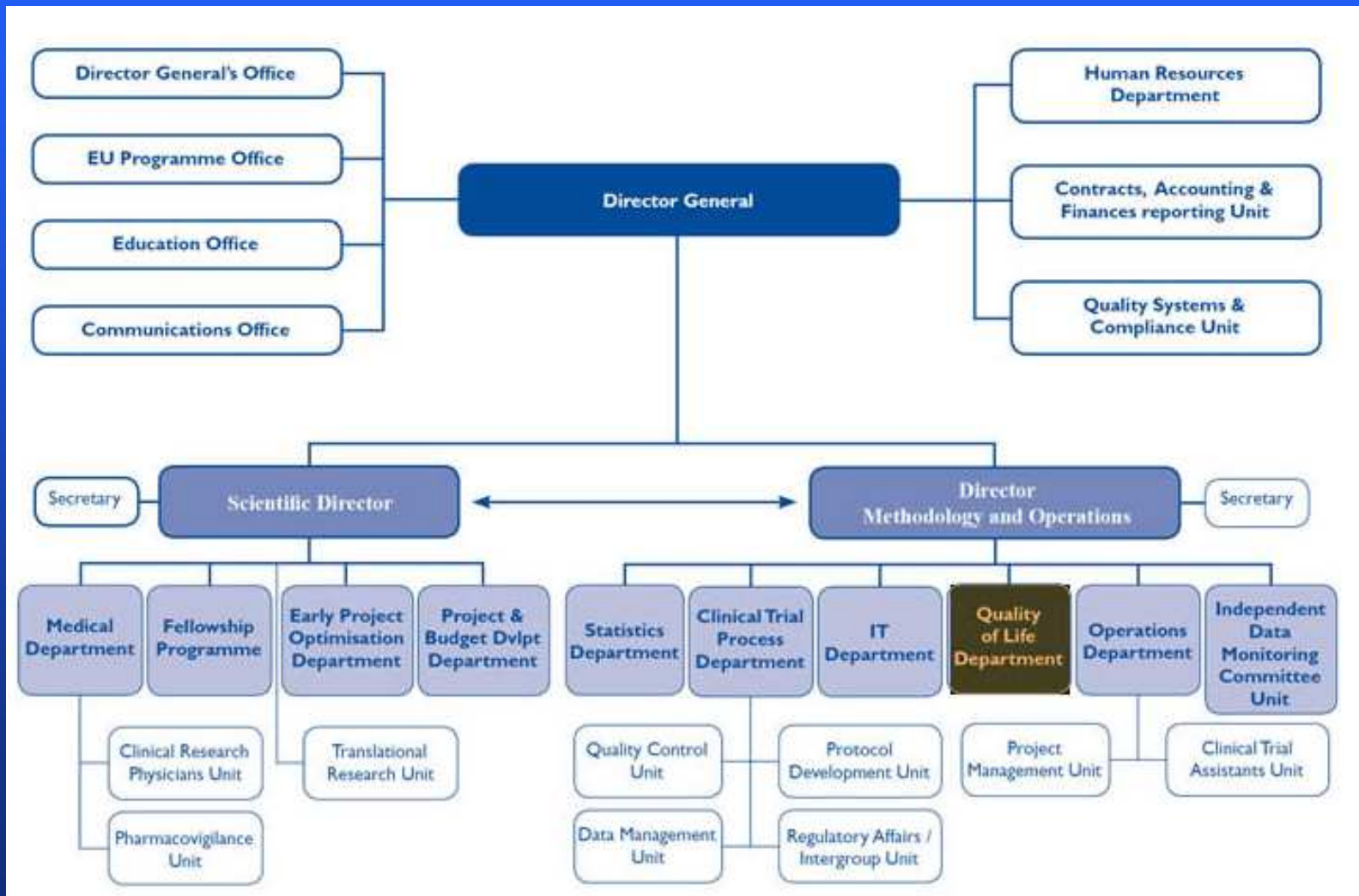


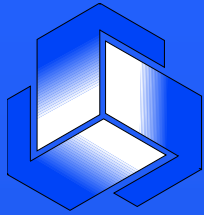
Structure of EORTC





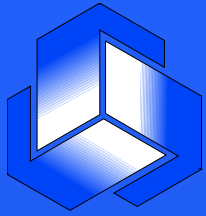
EORTC Headquarters





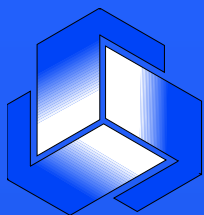
EORTC Quality of Life Group Activities

- **Core questionnaire EORTC QLQ-C30 (1993)**
- **Many supplementary modules**
 - ◆ 12 validated modules,
 - ◆ 10 in validation,
 - ◆ 9 available for use (completed Phase 3)
 - ◆ At least 5 in earlier development
- **Rigorous translations in over 70 languages and growing**
- **Item Bank of all items and their translations**
- **First to develop guidelines on Module development and Translations of questionnaires**
- **Our instruments are widely used in clinical trials**
 - ◆ 109 publications in the last year on PubMed on EORTC QLQ-C30 search



EORTC Quality of Life Group Activities

- **Continuing active research**
- **14 grant applications in the last round**
- **Expanding areas of research**
 - **Cross-cultural research**
 - **Computer Adaptive Testing**
 - **New touch-screen and web-based questionnaire applications**
 - **Quality of life measurement in routine oncology practice**
- **Friendships and having good time together!**



Delighted to be in Rome again!

Fabio

- **Thank you very much for organising our stay here**
- **We look forward to having an exciting and productive meeting!**