

# Implementation of Elements of the Belgian Best Practice in Hungary

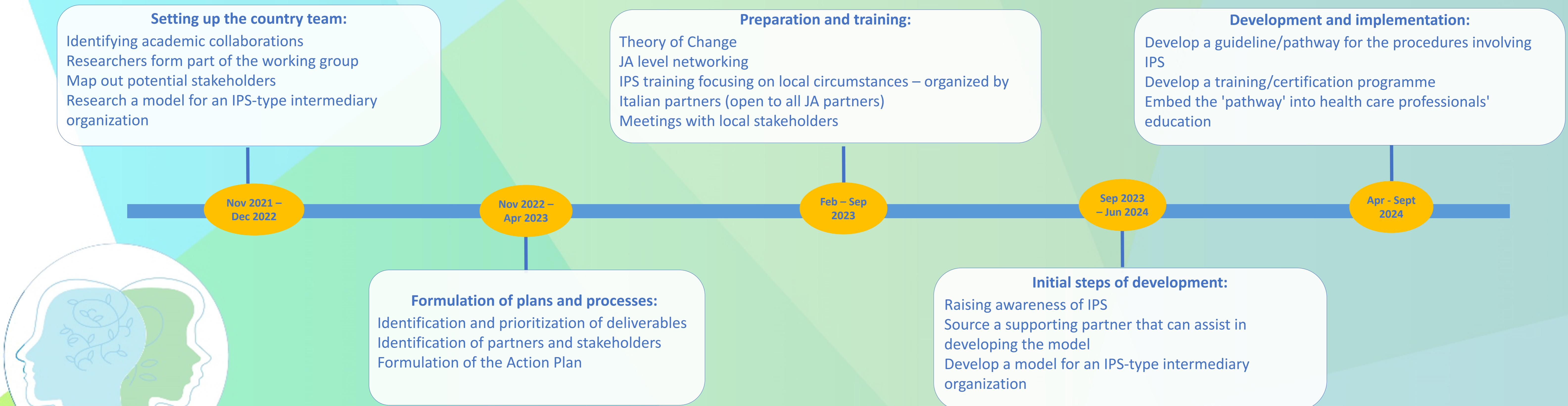
## BACKGROUND

Mental health patients in Hungary are present in both the health care and the social care systems. Social institutions cooperate with health care service providers – in particular, with the patient's physician and house practitioner – when they care for mental patients. When it comes to employment, the employment services are not equally available to patients facing mental health challenges.

<b>Level of Implementation</b>	Municipality level
<b>Target Population</b>	Inhabitants of Debrecen (199 725 in 2022)
<b>General Purpose</b>	To promote employment and enhance the possibilities of work for people with mental health conditions
<b>Overarching Aim</b>	Adapt and prepare for implementation the IPS model in the Hungarian health/social/welfare system

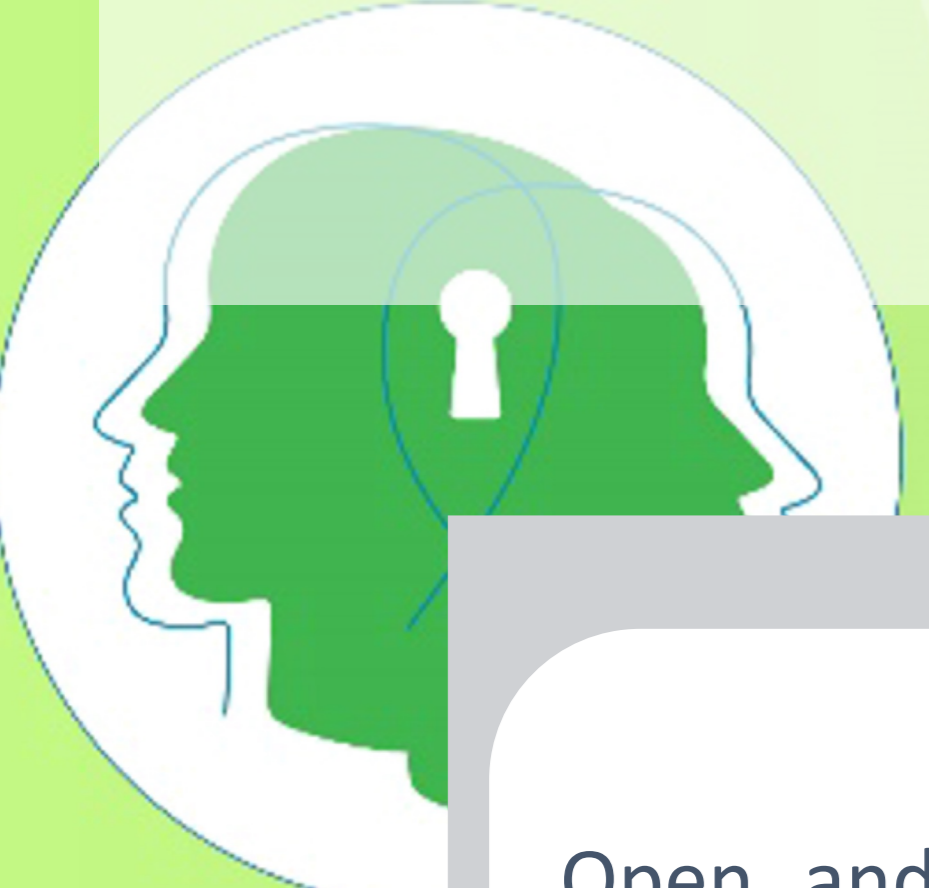


## Timeline of Implementation Process



**SA1 – 1<sup>st</sup> sub - Governance conditions:** Map out policy framework, Disseminate results to encourage funding, Reach out to possible funders, Develop a guideline/pathway for the procedures involving IPS,  
**SA2 – 2<sup>nd</sup> sub - Developing new (non-existing) OR transforming/adapting existing MH services (incl. reinforcement of multi-disciplinarity and improvement of evidence-base, quality, efficiency and continuity of services) in the areas of (five functions of the Belgian BP):** Research a model for an IPS-type intermediary organization, Engage stakeholders, Source a supporting partner that can help develop the model, Develop a model for an IPS-type intermediary organization, Pilot test the model,

**SA3 Extensive global training programme of stakeholders (in support of the reform & cultural change in service provision):** Develop a training/certification programme, Informing and training of healthcare professionals, Embed the 'pathway' into health care professionals' education,  
**SA4 Intensive continuous communication, information and awareness raising among/towards stakeholders and users:** Raising awareness of IPS  
**SA5 Data collection, monitoring & evaluation:** Monitoring (and evaluation of) the activity of the IPS organization



### Positive outcomes

Open and direct dialogue between the different government service providers linked to people with mental health issues, linked also to employment services

### Challenges and solutions

Cautionary reception of new institutional solutions  
 Broadening the knowledge about working models of IPS through international good practices and research-based empirical results

### Lessons learnt

Customization is essential in the success of the adaptation process of any recognized IPS model, learning from mistakes of all partners could be the key to effective implementation