Summary Description of the Project Context and the Main Objectives

Figure 1. Illustration of the total costs of recent global expenditures and European GDP compared to yearly costs of mental disorders in Europe – all data as of 2010

Avoidable Costs of Mental Disorders

Figure 2. Year-on-year changes in missed work days as a result of mental disorders (blue) and all health problems (grey). Y-axis values are expressed as proportions of the baseline value from the year 1997. Data taken from DAK-Gesundheit, 2012

Summary

- Mental health problems represent a huge burden to the EU, felt across all of society
- The current response to these issues is disproportionately small – mental health problems account for 11-27% of Europe’s disability burden, but only receive 6% of funding of overall health research budget
- Europe is home to world-leading expertise in many areas of mental health research
- Healthcare systems are a benefit that would facilitate world-leading mental health research conducted in Europe
In this context, ROAMER has developed a comprehensive mental health research roadmap, orientated to translational research, sensitive to social, economic and policy issues in Europe, and addressing a pragmatic approach to matching mental health research to needs.

**A DESCRIPTION OF THE MAIN S&T RESULTS/FOREGROUNDS**

**Scope of the ROAMER Project**

![Fig. 3 Overview of the ROAMER process](image-url)
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