

Press Release

FIGHT AGAINST CANCER

NRB, the Arsène Burny Institute (CHU de Liège) and the Jules Bordet Institute (H.U.B) join forces to strengthen prevention

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Cancer remains one of the leading causes of mortality in Belgium, with nearly 26,000 deaths each year. Faced with this major public health challenge, it has become clear that no single actor can address it alone. The fight against cancer requires the mobilisation of all stakeholders: medical professionals, public institutions, researchers... and businesses.

It is with this mindset that **NRB**, a key IT player in Belgium, the **Arsène Burny Institute (CHU de Liège)** and the **Jules Bordet Institute (University Hospital Brussels)** are launching an unprecedented partnership aimed at strengthening prevention and promoting early cancer screening in the workplace — a crucial lever for saving lives.

Over 500 employees concerned as early as 2026

As part of this initiative, NRB and its subsidiary WIN will raise awareness among all employees regarding the importance of screening and will facilitate access to a comprehensive prevention programme. From 2026 onwards, more than 500 employees meeting the criteria set by public health authorities will be able to benefit from this scheme.

“Those concerned will shortly receive an invitation to enrol in the screening process, in collaboration with the Arsène Burny Institute in Liège or the Jules Bordet Institute in Brussels. The process will include:

- a full medical history for all individuals who meet the predefined criteria;*
 - a personalised screening programme determined following the medical intake (colonoscopy, mammography, dermatoscopy, ultrasound, prostate screening, etc.);*
 - and full coverage by NRB of any remaining costs normally borne by the patient.”*
- Éric Mattart, Prevention Adviser, NRB

This programme, renewed every two years, builds on a first initiative launched in 2017 between one of NRB's subsidiaries and the Jules Bordet Institute.

Today, strengthened by this experience, NRB has decided to extend this approach to all eligible staff.

“The expansion of this programme is a voluntary and collective decision, taken in consultation with trade union representatives. It reflects our desire to act concretely for the health of our employees, in a societal approach that is fully aligned with NRB’s values.”

— Nathalie Bologne, HR Manager, NRB

A pioneering initiative opening new perspectives

“Prevention is our first line of defence against cancer. The earlier a cancer is detected, the greater the chances of recovery. Yet despite the numerous awareness and prevention campaigns deployed each year, many people still miss out on screening that could save their lives — often due to lack of time, interest or financial constraints.

This collaboration between the Arsène Burny Institute and NRB is a first for the CHU. It opens up new perspectives in both awareness and patient support, and we hope it will encourage other companies to engage in this collective dynamic. It complements public health campaigns, and we are convinced it can make a real difference.”

— Dr Catherine Loly – Arsène Burny Cancer Institute

Joining forces to tackle major societal challenges

This partnership is based on a shared conviction: no single actor can respond alone to today’s complex challenges. The future must be built through collaboration, bringing together businesses, public institutions, academia and research around concrete projects with positive impact.

“NRB is a major IT player in Belgium. Every day, we develop concrete solutions to some of society’s biggest challenges: cybersecurity, data sovereignty, artificial intelligence... Thanks to the expertise of our teams and cutting-edge technologies, millions of citizens benefit — directly or indirectly — from the solutions we design for businesses, public institutions and organisations.

We now want to broaden this role, as we firmly believe that a company’s impact should extend beyond its core business. Major societal challenges, whether in health or education, require collective mobilisation. This is why we are multiplying strategic partnerships with the academic, scientific and technological worlds, to break down silos and create fruitful synergies. This new collaboration with the CHU de Liège fits perfectly within that vision.”

— Laurence Mathieu, CEO of NRB

By launching this early screening programme in partnership with two leading medical institutions, NRB is integrating cancer prevention structurally into its health policy. This initiative represents a new milestone in how companies can actively contribute to well-being and public health.

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