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Lejla Kamerić is mother of long term childhood cancer survivor who was treated in Bosnia and Herzegovina. She is committee member of “Childhood Cancer International – Europe” and board member of parent organization “Heart for kids with cancer” in Sarajevo.

Treatment of childhood cancer is not equal within Europe – and this inequality leaves tangible marks. The most recent study of childhood cancer survival across Europe showed that survival was generally lowest in Eastern Europe, where the survival rate for paediatric cancer was between 10 and 20% lower than in Western Europe. And for cancers with poor outcomes, such as AML or osteosarcomas, these disparities became even larger.

Since her daughter received treatment in a middle-income country, her mission within CCI Europe became apparent: Every child with cancer has to have equal access to diagnosis, treatment and care, as well as adequate follow-up, no matter where in Europe they live.

Professionally, she is an IT expert working for an international bank in Vienna.