

## **Appendix 2: Estimation of the number of clinical trial applications in Italy in 2015**

The number of clinical trials authorised in Italy in 2015 is not yet available from the Italian national competent authorities. Thus, this number was estimated to complete the data of the summarised number of clinical trial applications (CTAs) for all countries in 2015. All countries experienced an increase in the number of CTAs from 2014 to 2015. It was assumed that Italy experienced an increase as well. The average increase in the number of CTAs for the nine other countries (11%) was used to estimate the number of CTAs in Italy in 2015 (657 CTAs). Commercially sponsored CTAs represented on average 69% of all CTAs in Italy in the years 2010 to 2014. The number of commercially sponsored CTAs in Italy in 2015 was therefore estimated to be 69% of 657. Non-commercially sponsored CTAs were estimated to represent the remaining 31% of 657.