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The logo for EURODIS Rare Diseases Europe features two stylized human figures in white, one slightly taller than the other, with their arms raised and hands meeting at the top. Above their hands are several white stars of varying sizes, arranged in a semi-circular pattern. Below the figures, the text 'EURODIS' is written in a bold, white, sans-serif font, with 'RARE DISEASES EUROPE' in a smaller, white, sans-serif font underneath.

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