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Latest News

EVENTS ANNOUNCEMENT

* **Intelligence in Assisted Homes**

24 September 2009 - 25 September 2009 Bruges, Belgium

On Thursday 24th the focus will be on assistive technologies: products on the market, view into the future. On Friday 25th September, we will take a closer look at telehealth and telecare. The target group of this international workshop consists of construction industry professionals (engineers, architects, builders, ...) and the health care industry as well as health and social care organisations. Contact: yv@bbri.be

* **The European Congress of Radiology (ECR) 2010 - Call for Abstracts**

4 March 2010 - 8 March 2010 Vienna, Austria

All abstracts for papers or posters (scientific and educational exhibits) for ECR 2010 must be submitted by September 18, 2009 at the latest, in order to be considered by the board of reviewers. The Preliminary Programme is available on the site. Contact: communications@myESR.org

* **IT @ Networking Awards 2009 (IT @ 2009)**

29 October 2009 - 30 October 2009 Brussels, Belgium

IT @ 2009 offers IT implementations in departments, hospitals and networking solutions for several hospitals to be presented in a pan-European context, allowing the presenters to share their valuable experience and knowledge with their pan-European colleagues. Novel voting procedure IT @ 2009 is built on the principles of best-of-breed and peer-to-peer networking. Submit your solution (implemented and running in at least one healthcare facility) by 25/09/2009 at the latest.

Contact: c.m@hitm.eu - See also: [Registration to the IT @ Networking Awards 2009](#)

* **14th International Symposium on Health Information Management Research (ISHIMR 2009)**

14 October 2009 - 16 October 2009 Kalmar, Sweden

The event is about evaluation and implementation of eHealth and health information initiatives: international perspectives. Contact: ishimr2009@hik.se

* **Health 2.0 Europe**

6 April 2010 - 7 April 2010 Paris, France

The conference will integrate the best of European web/mobile based technologies, and compare, contrast and contextualize them with leading examples of Health 2.0 from North America. It will show what works in the context of Europe's evolving health care systems, whether there are commonalities across European systems that can lead to economies of scale and what the "boundary-less" online world means for consumers and physicians working in distinct health care systems. Contact: info@health2con.com

* **ICT that makes the difference : The Future of Ambient Intelligence and ICT for Security - Conference announcement and call for papers**

22 November 2009 - 25 November 2009 Brussels, Belgium

For more than 30 years, industry, R&D, science policy authorities and analysts of Ethical, Social economic, and Legal Aspects (ESLA) of science accumulated experience in dealing with powerful developments in biotechnology and biomedicine. Stakeholders in ICT can learn from successes and failures in dealing with biotechnology and biomedicine. The conference provides a forum to present and discuss research results, policy plans and new research problems and approaches. Participants in EU funded projects (FP6, FP7 and other) in ICT or ESLA of ICT will be given special opportunities to interact and network.

* **Pan European eProcurement with PEPPOL**

21 October 2009 - 23 October 2009 Copenhagen, Denmark

The conference, organised by PEPPOL project, will focus on the role of service providers and middleware suppliers in Pan European Public Procurement. This three day event is targeted to different audiences from executives and decision makers to IT-architects and programmers.

See also: [PEPPOL website](#)



NEWS ARTICLES

* **Call for Papers - 5th International Carers Conference: New Frontiers In Caring: 2010 And Beyond**

(27 August 2009) The 5th International Carers Conference will focus on four key themes, identified through latest international debate: - Health, Social Care and Well-being Services; - Caring and Employment; - Technology, Design and the Built Environment; - Financial and Legal Planning Products and Services. The conference will bring together the international community of researchers, practitioners and those with an interest in caring to debate critical issues and exchange expertise and experience. Mapping the policy framework from around the world, the conference will explore innovation and seek real solutions to the care crunch. When you submit your abstract, you will be applying to one of these four themes; you will also be asked to indicate whether you wish your contribution to be considered by the Academic or the Policy & Practice Committee. Abstracts, in English, must be submitted between 1 June and 31 December 2009. Abstracts offering contributions based on research and/or policy or practice developments at both national and international levels are welcome.

* **Public consultation on post-i2010: priorities for new strategy for European information society (2010-2015)**

(4 August 2009) The objective of the consultation is to help prepare a new EU strategy for the information society, as the current i2010 strategy is coming to a close this year. All citizens and organisations are welcome to contribute to this consultation. Closing date of the consultation is 9 October 2009. Please note that you are not obliged to answer all questions; you may focus on the areas of interest to you. You can write your replies in any of the official EU languages.

Contact: [Public consultation on post-i2010](#)

* **The 'virtual human' healthcare model**

(1 July 2009) A revolution in healthcare treatment and diagnosis may be imminent with a pan-European personalised healthcare project, the Virtual Physiological Human (VPH), a Network of Excellence (NoE). Funded with EUR 72 million under the ICT Theme of the FP7, the VPH aims to create an entire framework to deliver personalised patient computer models for the predictive healthcare of the future. Success could significantly limit the need for animal testing and patient drug trials.

Contact: ehealth@ec.europa.eu - See also: [ICT for Health - VPH Research](#)

New in the Library

PROMOTIONAL MATERIAL

'Red dot' nod for GoPubMed.com semantic browser

(18 August 2009) The Sealife project spin-off Transinsight joins an elite class of finalists in the coveted 'red dot' awards for its work on the GoPubMed.com semantic search engine for the life sciences. The Dresden-based Transinsight beat off stiff competition in 42 countries to join an elite 'best of the best' class of web communication designers for its work on the GoPubMed.com semantic search engine. We need to improve the way people use and "communicate" the potentially massive data sets out there, suggests Alvers. This is especially true in the life sciences – with the vast human genome project perhaps the best known example – and the burgeoning bioinformatics field. Contact: eHealth@ec.europa.eu - See also: [eHealth - FP6 Research projects](#)

REPORTS AND STUDIES

Healthcare, the road to robotic helpers

(5 August 2009) Robots are whirring away in factories all over the world, building cars, phones and cookers. Yet they can do so much more. Robotics for healthcare has been tipped as the next big wave, and Europe should be poised to ride it, according to a European road-mapping study. To be sure that Europe is ready to meet its future health challenges, policy-makers are keenly aware of the need to lay the R&D groundwork today and in the coming years. While significant scientific progress has been made in both robotics and healthcare, more needs to be done to meld the two. Contact: eHealth@ec.europa.eu - See also: [Robotics for Healthcare - final report](#)

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