



23RD EHEALTH NETWORK MEETING 30 MARCH 2023, ONLINE

COVER NOTE

8. IOP Subgroup: preparations for the renewal of subgroup's mandate and for the election of IOP Subgroup's co-chair at the June 2023 eHN meeting (for information) Issue at stake

1. Issue at stake

Based on the decision of the eHealth Network (2020-06-03), a subgroup was established that addresses technical interoperability, in parallel with and complementary to the already existing eHealth Network Subgroup on Semantics. The mandate of the IOP Subgroup needs to be renewed for 2 years during the eHN June to ensure continuity of the work.

Besides the mandate, the co-chair position of IOP SG should also be renewed. During this meeting the eHN members are invited to identify candidates for co-chair position of IOP SG. Elections will be held during the eHN in June.

2. Summary

The mandate of this SG covers the following topics:

- to support the eHN in reaching substantiated decisions, strategies and measures on technical interoperability issues, to facilitate growth and innovation of the EU eHealth landscape;
- to provide expert policy advice on technical interoperability aspects, recommend on interoperability issues concerning the eHDSI and possible other European eHealth Services. Also, to advise on harmonisation issues arising from different implementation strategies in the eHN and/or its MS either at cross-border, national or regional level;
- to work out strategies to improve adoption and implementation of interoperability standards in MS, including aspects such as technical obstacles, market readiness, suitability, costs, timeline, that will support the eHN to formulate a well-substantiated roadmap for future development;
- to find synergies in sharing best practices and assets related to interoperability in eHealth;
- to closely work together with the eHN Subgroup on Semantics.

3. Format of procedure in the meeting

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