

# European Social Insurance Platform: Health Insurance Committee

**Date:** 16/02/2016

**Location:** ESIP office, Rue d'Arlon 50, Brussels

## Participants

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**ESIP:** C. Dawson, Health Insurance Committee Members

**SANTE:** J. Boehm F. Giorgio, K. Hanslik, I. Siska, O. Nagy, C. Larsson Lindqvist

## Purpose of the meeting

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DG SANTE was invited to the ESIP Health Insurance Committee on 16 February 2016 to present the current Health Technology Assessment activities at EU level and to discuss the possible ways of involvement in the coming Joint Action on HTA.

## Presentations

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J. Boehm made the presentation on the HTA activities at EU level: the current role of the Commission is to bring Member States competent authorities (EU affairs and operational departments) together in the area of HTA (HTA Network) and to build the scientific and technical expertise (Joint Action on HTA). All Member States agree today on the HTA cooperation on clinical level, as part of the overall process which leads to market access.

The operational arm of such cooperation, the Joint Action 3 on HTA is currently under negotiations. This new Joint Action shall reflect the HTA Strategy (adopted by HTA Network Members in 2014), focusing namely on: production (significant number, moving from pilots), mainstream (what is produced at EU level should be re-used at national level, and Member States shall define the "re-use criteria"), defragmentation (post market requirements to be taken into account), sustainability post 2019. The active involvement of payers in particular in coming joint work is key to the success of the JA.

Jerome thanked ESIP for the input to the preparation of the Joint Action 3.

## Discussion

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The main discussion point raised was the possible involvement of payers as stakeholders in the coming EUnetHTA Joint Action 3. It was stated that ESIP and AIM (as representative of payer organisations) had forwarded their express of interest in participating in the coming joint action and that they were awaiting feedback by the EUnetHTA coordinator.

As regards evidence generation it was suggested that one possible area where payer organisations might be involved is Managed Entry Agreements. Certain representatives at the meeting stated that it might not be within their legal remit to do so.

Participation of payers within EUnetHTA activities will be decided on areas of common interest and respecting the role and remits of the different players to avoid any potential conflict of interest

## Follow up

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It was stated that ESIP is very interested to be actively involved in the upcoming joint action and would actively engage with the coordinator to identify possible areas of involvement.