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Topic 2a: JAseHN platform consisting of the relevant SDOs

Issue at stake

In the 7th meeting, it was agreed to proceed with a proposal to initiate a platform consisting of the standards developing (SDOs) and profiling organisations relevant to eHealth in Europe within the Joint Action.

JAseHN suggests an intermediate step to the setting up of this platform: to initiate a collaboration **platform under construction** for SDOs and National Competence Centres (NCCs). This was considered necessary in view of the complexity of the task and the limited preparation time.

Summary of document

The JAseHN deliverable D5.4.1 sets out the activities undertaken so far towards a setting up a platform of relevant SDOs and NCCs; the initial scope of the platform for the next 6 months; the approach to get the platform established; and the conditions for success.

At the basis for setting up a platform for relevant SDOs and NCCs lies deliverable 3.1 "The case for formal standardization in large-scale eHealth deployment" of the eStandards project. This document will be made available at the eHealth Network website after the meeting. Also, it is available prior to the meeting upon request.

The proposed **platform under construction** will gradually start to function as one-stop shop for the Network and JAseHN regarding strategic and practical issues related to eHealth standards and profiles, their development and support to deployment, with two objectives for the next 6 months:

- 1. Dealing with issues and questions regarding current and upcoming eHealth standards and profiles, their development and support to deployment.
- 2. Create a founding document (terms of reference) for the more permanent phase.

Format of procedure

The Member State co-chair will introduce the topic.

The Network Members are requested to decide on the introduction of an intermediate step in the process of initiating the platform **under construction** consisting of the standards developing (SDOs) and profiling organisations relevant to eHealth in Europe within the Joint Action.