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**Topic 2a: Implementation of the eHealth Digital Service Infrastructure
CEF work plan and budget 2017**

Issue at stake

Following the call for setting up the **generic services by Member States** for cross-border exchange of ePrescriptions and Patient Summaries published in November 2015 under the CEF Work Programme, 20 participated. Specifically, the call aimed at co-funding (75%) the establishment of eHealth National Contact Points (NCPeH) as the part of the eHealth Digital Infrastructure Service (eHDSI). The funding (7.5 mill €) originally allocated to the call was increased to 10,5 mill. € due to high interest of Member States. While all applications fulfilled the criteria, it was possible to fund only 16 applications under this call.

The grant agreements between the Innovation & Networks Executive Agency (INEA) and the Member States will be signed by the end of 2016, and the MS will start immediately develop their NCPeH according to their plans. The first MS plan to be ready for exchange data at the end of 2017 and start the real operation at the beginning of 2018.

The draft 2017 work programme for the CEF contains further funding for eHDSI. The next call for Member States is scheduled take place during the second quarter of 2017. Several Member States have informed the Commission of their willingness to join eHDSI under this Call. A priority will be given to new Member States joining the exchange.

At the meeting on 23 November 2015, the eHealth Network decided that a report on implementation of core services (work plan/budget) should be presented to the eHealth Network for approval on annual basis. The objective is to ensure that the eHealth Network can appropriately steer the implementation of eHealth DSI.

Summary of document

eHDSI Work Plan and Budget 2017 describes the key actions the Commission (DSI Owner and DSI Solution Provider) will do in 2017 as regards the core service implementation and support to the National Contact Points for eHealth.

Format of procedure in the eHN

The Commission co-chair will give an update on the CEF calls 2015 and 2017 and present the main actions of the eHDSI Work Plan and Budget 2017.

The eHealth Network Members are requested to comment on and endorse the work plan.