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Topic 7: Stakeholder input to eHealth

Issue at stake

eHealth Stakeholder Group (eHSG)

The eHSG was established in 2012 by DG CONNECT with 29 participating members who are representatives of European umbrella organisations active in the eHealth sector. The eHSG had a mandate for a period of three years and ended end 2014. The mandate was extended in 2015 until a new mandate is in place. The last eHSG meeting took place on 10 September 2015 and informed stakeholder about the developments in the eHealth Network, in JAseHN and within the Commission.

DG CONNECT is currently working on the renewal of the mandate. The call for expression of interest is being prepared in collaboration with DG SANTE and is expected to be published by the end of November 2015.

Stakeholder involvement in the JAseHN

In order to ensure an efficient and effective involvement of stakeholders at EU level in the JAseHN, a dedicated work package (WP4) and a liaison secretariat was created. The project has created a "Concept and internal guidelines for stakeholder liaison", which provides guidance for the project members as well as the stakeholders. This document is considered "fit for use" by JAseHN and it has been distributed within the JAseHN and to the stakeholders.

Summary of document

eHealth Stakeholder Group (eHSG)

The Secretariat will send the minutes of the eHSG meeting of 10 September 2015, if requested, pending their publication on the web.

Stakeholder involvement in the JAseHN

The internal deliverable D4.1 "Concept and internal guidelines for stakeholder liaison" is designed as an evolving, living document. Its current version 1.0 it provides information on the preparation of deliverables, objectives and principles of the JAseHN stakeholder liaison und practical liaison mechanisms.

Format of procedure in the eHN

The Member State Chair will introduce the topic and inform the Network about the stakeholder involvement in the JAseHN. Subsequently the floor will be given to Paul Timmers (DG CONNECT) who will explain the renewal of the eHSG mandate.

The Members are invited to comment on stakeholder input in eHealth.