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Topic 2: Update on Connecting Europe Facility (CEF) – *for information*

Issue at stake

In May 2014, the eHealth Network has supported the opportunity to finance eHealth investments through the CEF instrument, for 4 specific digital services infrastructure (DSI): ePrescription (eP), Patients summary (Ps), European Reference Networks (ERN) and Patients registries (Pr).

The first two DSI have been considered as eligible for the draft work programme (WP) 2015 by the CEF management board, where Member States are on board. SANCO has insisted to include the two other DSI's in the WP 2016. No budget is fixed for the WP 2015, but the board had to make budgetary arbitration, which translates into severe cuts to the initial bid from the eHN (from 28 mio€ down to 10-16 mio€).

The purpose of this information topic is to share the latest developments, in terms of coverage of infrastructure and overall governance of the CEF processes. These topics were discussed at the CEF sub-group meeting held on 17 October 2014 (tbc).

Summary of document

No document attached. The European Commission will present the state of play.

Format of procedure in the eHN

The co-chairs will introduce the topic and give the floor to a representative of the CEF sub-group to report on the meeting held on 17 October (tbc).

The eHealth Network members are requested to:

- Discuss and comment on the state of play as presented;
- State their opinion as whether the eSOS upkeep subgroup and the CEF subgroup can be merged;
- Appoint national experts that will be involved operationally in the deployment and management of the CEF services;