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Topic 2b: **eHealth European Interoperability Framework**

Issue at stake
In the 7th eHN Meeting a draft proposal for the Refined eHealth European Interoperability Framework (ReEIF) was presented. The Network asked JAseHN to bring this document forward for adoption in the 8th meeting. In the run up to the 8th meeting the following activities took place: • This ReEIF activity was brought under JAseHN into WP5, subtask 5.4.4.   • The document was commented by members of WP5.   • The document was discussed in the JAseHN sPSC.   Subsequently the document was adapted in line with these comments.   JAseHN now proposes to the eHN to adopt this document for use within cross border eHealth projects in Europe. JAseHN furthermore advises the eHN Members to stimulate the use of this ReEIF in national and regional projects within their respective member states.   JAseHN proposes that task T5.4 of JAseHN will keep the custody of this ReEIF for the duration of the JAseHN project. T5.4 will monitor the use of the ReEIF, monitor the updating of the basic EIF by the EC and will present a subsequent updating proposal for the ReEIF, when appropriate. Furthermore T5.4 will make sure that when JAseHN ends, the custodianship of this product will be transferred to the right party in the context of the eHN.

Summary of document
This document presents the ReEIF, which is a useful set of tools for use in interoperability projects and documents nationally and at EU level. It consists of: • A guiding eHealth interoperability framework,   • A template for the uniform description of the use cases and the associated realisation scenarios,   • A glossary of terms for unifying 'language' and improving understandability.   This ReEIF can support in structuring the description of, the discussion on, and decisions about eHealth challenges on the European and the national level.

Format of procedure in the eHN
The Member State Chair introduces the topic informing the eHealth Network on the purpose of the ReEIF and the progress made on this interoperability framework.   The eHealth Network is **requested to adopt the ReEIF and to stimulate** their constituents to use the ReEIF in national and regional projects.