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Topic 3a: Implementation of the Connecting Europe Facility (CEF) Work Programme 2015

Issue at stake

The CEF Work Programme 2015 contains supporting actions for the deployment of the ePrescription and Patient Summary digital services. For the implementation of the generic services by Member States, a budget of 7.5 million euros has been allocated.

In September 2015, the Commission will publish the related Call for Proposals.

The subgroup of the eHealth Network "Implementation of eHealth DSI" prepared a discussion document entitled "Consideration for eHealth generic services call for proposal under CFF 2015".

The purpose of this topic is to discuss and agree upon the recommendations contained in the discussion document.

The Commission services will consider these recommendations as appropriate, within the limits imposed by the CEF Regulations and the CEF Work Programme 2015, in the preparatory phase of the Call for Proposals.

These topics were discussed at the sub-group meeting held on 16 March 2015 in Brussels and during the audio conference held on 24 April 2015.

Summary of document

The discussion document prepared by the eHN subgroup "Implementation of eHealth DSI" contains suggestions on possible funding scenarios that, in the view of the subgroup, could best maximise the investments for an effective implementation of cross-border digital services.

Format of procedure in the eHN

The Commission chair will introduce the topic giving an update on the CEF WP 2015 and 2016. The floor will then be given to the chair of the eHN sub-group "Implementation of eHealth DSI" who will present the recommendations agreed in the subgroup.

The eHealth Network members are requested to:

- Comment on the recommendations contained in the document;
- Agree to submit the document to the Commission services for possible considerations in preparation of the Call for Proposals.