



# **eHealth eTEN**

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# **eTEN**

## **Deploying eServices for all**



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**Policy** = **eEurope 2005**

*"eTEN supports the implementation"*

**Strategy** = **Deploying public e-services**

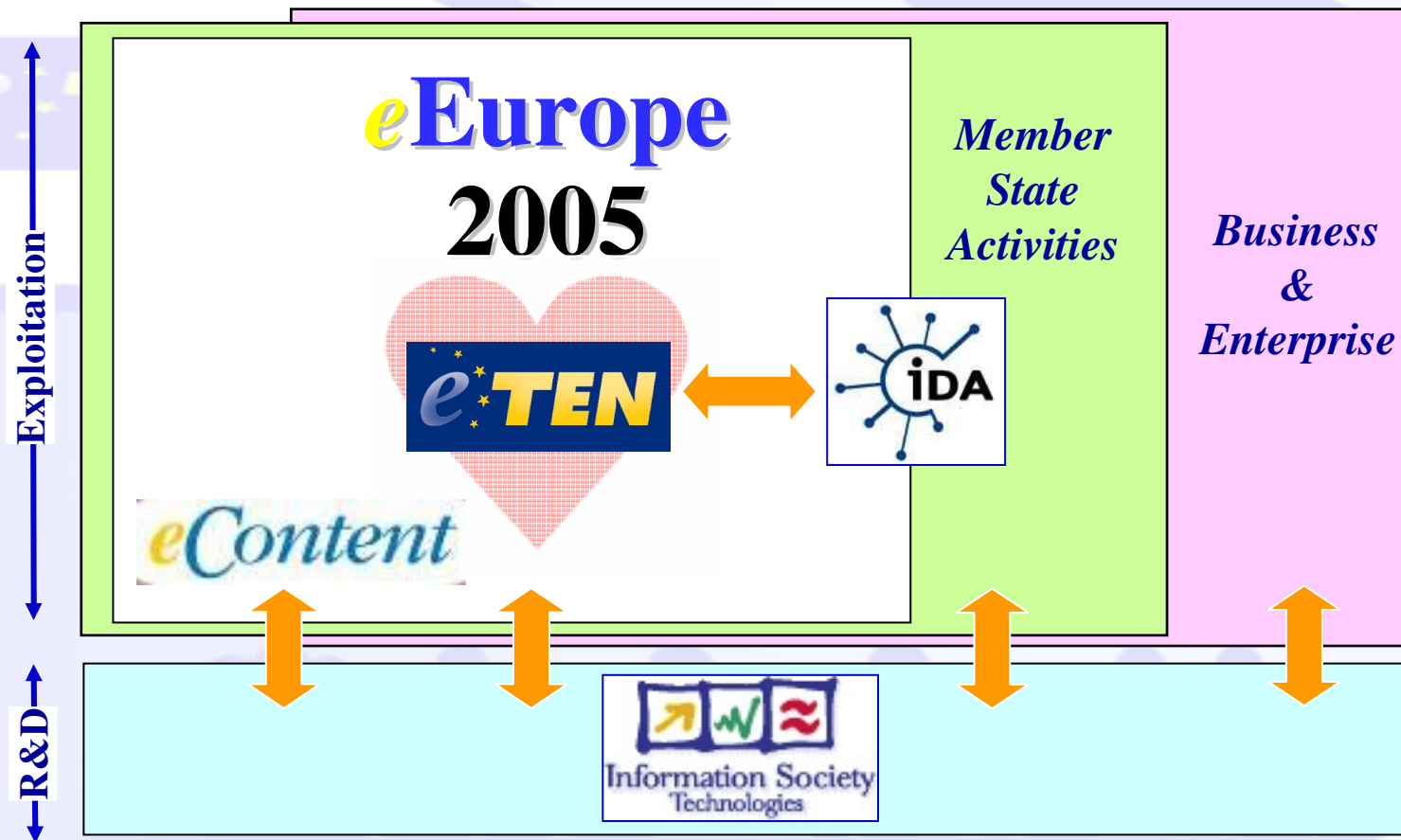
*"Supported by Trans-EU Networks"*

**Procedure** = **Calls for proposals**

*"best projects selected for co-funding"*

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# At the heart of eEurope



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# eTEN – “Trans-European”



- Satisfies needs in several Member States
- Focus on cross-border issues  
( but not exclusively)
- Implies that any proposal must include entities from at least 2 Member States

**eTEN does not fund RTD**  
**eTEN does not fund infrastructure**

# ***eEurope 2005: eHealth Actions***



- **eEurope:** focuses on "the widespread availability and use of broadband networks throughout the Union by 2005 and the development of Internet protocol IPv6 .... And the security of networks and information, eGovernment, eLearning, **eHealth** and eBusiness"
- **What is it?**
  - eHealth refers to the use of modern information and communication technologies to meet needs of citizens, patients, healthcare professionals, healthcare providers, as well as policy makers.
- **Targets**
  - Cross Border Healthcare
  - Online Health Services
  - Health Information Networks
  - Electronic Health Records
  - Health Professionals' Support
  - Electronic Health Cards
  - Plan Capacity/ Mgmt systems
  - **Telemedicine Services**
  - Preventative Services
  - Patient Support

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# eTEN Portfolio example (1)



**A Trans-European project that will provide access facilities to health care services within the European Union.**

*The European Netc@rds project was launched in September 2002 with the aim of studying dematerialising paper forms E111 and E128 which are currently required for admission to health care in foreign countries. Germany, Austria, Greece and France originated this project which is jointly financed by the European Commission.*

## FACTS

- **Validation, 2002-2005, 2.5 M€ funding**
- **Based on IST project NETLINK with Franco-German & Franco-Belgian pilot**
- **10 MS involved in NetC@rds-EHIC (DG SANCO + EMPL follow)**
- **Interest from other Member States, but also third party countries (Canada)**

### Netc@rds Scenario

State A of insured party's affiliation

Hospital in State B



National server for  
E111 & E128 data base

➤ Case n°1: form printed out from card data



E111 / E128

➤ Case n°3: form printed out from on-line data



E111 / E128

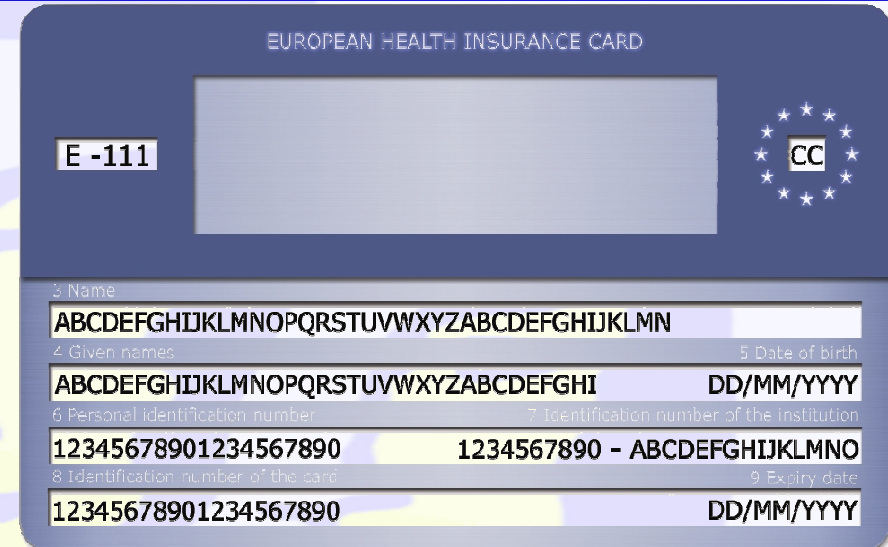
➤ Case n°2: form printed out from card and on-line data



E111 / E128

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*1 side National*

*1 side European*





# eTEN Portfolio example (2)



## FACTS

- Validation, 2003-2004, 1.6M€ funding
- Brings together 8 donor & transplant centres from Italy, Netherlands, Spain, UK, Greece and Belgium
- Realization of a *European Organ Data Exchange Portal* and *Data Base* to be used in the medical field of data organ exchange and transplantation (DB structure adopted by WHO)
- Based upon common EU protocols for data acquisition and processing on organs donation
- Delivery of updated and official information to professional operators and institutions, accessible via internet in real-time

### What is Eurodonor?

Eurodonor is a project, funded by the European Commission, addressed to create a common repository dedicated to organs donation and transplant activity and to deliver updated and official information via internet ...



*Follow up project EURO CET, 12 countries, extends to tissue and cell data exchange*

# Open opportunities

- **eTEN Call for Proposals:**
  - Opened Feb. 10, 2005
  - Closing date on May 10, 2005.
  - 45 M€ of funding

**More info:**

**<http://europa.eu.int/eten>**

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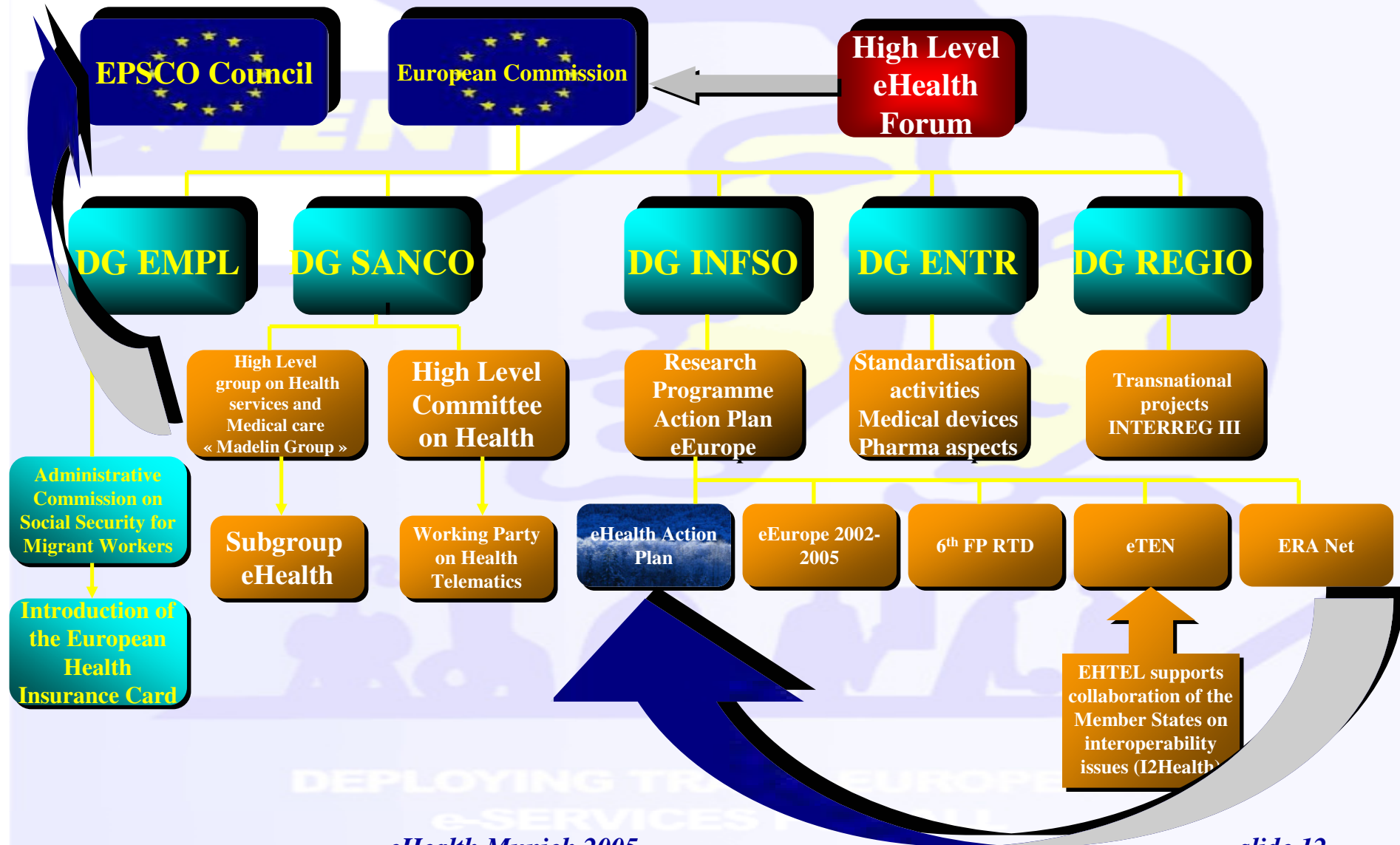
# **Overview of the eHealth Action plan 2004-2010**

**eHealth – making healthcare better for  
European citizens**

**Communication to Council, EU Parliament,  
EU Economic & Social Committee, and the  
Committee of Regions**

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# Coordination of e-Health in Europe



# An action plan for an European e-Health Area (1)



## Communication: COM(2004) 356 final

### 'making healthcare better for European citizens':

The main objective is to accelerate awareness and uptake of beneficial eHealth systems & services

- Approved by Commission, 30 April 2004
- Discussed, noted and specific recommendations issued at the EPSCO [Health] Council, June 2 2004
- part of a package of three Communications - the other two Communications were on open method of co-ordination (DG EMPL led) and on patient mobility (DG SANCO led)

[http://europa.eu.int/information\\_society/doc/qualif/health/com2004\\_356\\_ehealth.pdf](http://europa.eu.int/information_society/doc/qualif/health/com2004_356_ehealth.pdf)

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### e-Health action plan: 3 areas of activities

- Addressing common challenges
- Pilot actions: accelerating beneficial implementation
- Working together and monitoring practices

### 3 types of responsibilities:

- Member States (MS) responsibility
- European Commission (EC) Responsibility
- Shared between EC and MS

**Many tools for action: EC programmes, EC promotion initiatives, regional funds, MS funds, open method of coordination**

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# Major challenges for wider implementation

- **Commitment and leadership of health authorities**
- **Interoperability of e-Health systems**
- **User friendliness of e-Health systems and services**
- **Lack of regulation and fragmentation of e-Health market in Europe**
- **Confidentiality and security issues**
- **Issues relating to the mobility of patients**
- **Access for all to e-Health**
- **Common understanding and concerted efforts by all stakeholders**

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# Towards the European e-Health area: Action Plan (I)



- **EC communication (2004) 356 of April 30, 2004**

2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
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**During the period 2004-2008**, MS should support deployment of health information networks for e-Health based on fixed and wireless broadband and mobile infrastructures and Grid technologies.

*In that period the goal is to achieve @ short term:*

*Greater access to accurate data and information for patients*

*Safer and better health care*

*Costs saving through the of ICT solutions*

*@ Mid to long term:*

*Redefine the health care process and access in using ICT systems*

# Towards the European e-Health area: Action Plan (II)



- **EC communication (2004) 356 of April 30, 2004**

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**By mid 2005**, the Commission should produce a summary of European best practices as guidance for Member States.

**By end 2005**, a European Union public health portal will give access to European level public health information

**By end 2005**, each MS is to develop a national or regional roadmap for e-Health.

**By end 2005**, there will be a strengthening of early warning, detection, and surveillance of health threats through enhanced ICT tools

Use of open standards and open source solutions among health administrations in MS should be promoted.

# Towards the European e-Health area: Action Plan (III)

- **EC communication (2004) 356 of April 30, 2004**

2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
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**By end 2006**, MS, in collaboration with the EC, should identify a common approach to patient identifiers.

**By end 2006**, Member States, in collaboration with the European Commission, should identify and outline interoperability standards for health data messages and electronic health records

**By end 2006**, a collaborative approach should be undertaken among Member States to supporting and boosting investment in e-Health.

# Towards the European e-Health area: Action Plan (IV)

- EC communication (2004) 356 of April 30, 2004

2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
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**By end 2007,** MS should adopt conformity testing and accreditation schemes following successful best practices.

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# Towards the European e-Health area: Action Plan (V)



- **EC communication (2004) 356 of April 30, 2004**

2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
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**By end 2008**, the majority of all European health organisations and health regions (communities, counties, districts) should be able to provide online services such as teleconsultation (second medical opinion), e-prescription, e-referral, telemonitoring and telecare.

Promoting the use of cards in the health care sector. Adoption of implementation of an electronic health insurance card **by 2008**, *implementation of a health professional card by 2008.*

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# Towards the European e-Health area: Action Plan (VI)



- **EC communication (2004) 356 of April 30, 2004**

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**By end 2009**, the EC, in collaboration with MS, should undertake activities to:

Set a baseline for a standardised European qualification for e-Health services in clinical and administrative settings.

Provide framework for greater legal certainty of e-Health products and services liability within the context of existing product liability legislation.

Improve information for patients, health insurance schemes and providers regarding the rules applying to the assumption of the costs of e-Health services.

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# Thank you!



## Links:

- eHealth:

[www.cordis.lu/ist/so/ehealth/home.html](http://www.cordis.lu/ist/so/ehealth/home.html)

[europa.eu.int/information\\_society/qualif/health/index\\_en.htm](http://europa.eu.int/information_society/qualif/health/index_en.htm)

- eTEN:

[europa.eu.int/eten](http://europa.eu.int/eten)

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