Access and integration of heterogeneous health data for improved health care in disease areas of high unmet public health need

IHI call 1 – topic 4

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Before we start...

- We are recording this webinar and it will be published on the IHI website.
- We will also publish the presentation slides and participant list on the webinar web page.
- All information regarding future IHI call topics is indicative and subject to change. Final information about future IHI calls will be communicated after approval by the IHI Governing Board.





Today's webinar

- Will cover:
 - Introduction to IHI programme
 - IHI Call 1 Topic 4:
 - Challenge, need for public-private collaborative research
 - Scope, outcomes & impacts, budget
 - Proposal submission, evaluation & preparation tips
- Will not cover rules and procedures
 - The webinar on rules and procedures is at: <u>www.youtube.com/watch?v=qriw3AbEP-M</u>
 - Preparing proposal budgets webinar: Monday 27 June | 14:30-16:00 Register at: <u>https://europa.eu/!PfGJf7</u>







Innovative Health Initiative

EU's new **partnership in health** between:

• the European Union represented by the European Commission &

• Healthcare industry associations:

- **COCIR** (medical imaging, radiotherapy, health ICT and electromedical industries)
- EFPIA, including Vaccines Europe (pharmaceutical and vaccine industries)
- EuropaBio (biotechnology industry)
- MedTech Europe (medical technology industry)





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IHI's general objectives

- Turn health research and innovation into real benefits for patients and society
- Deliver safe, effective health innovations that cover the entire spectrum of care – from prevention to diagnosis and treatment – particularly in areas where there is an unmet public health need
- Make Europe's health industries globally competitive.



Strategic Research & Innovation Agenda

Focus

• Cross-sectoral approaches to facilitate creation of new products and services to prevent, intercept, diagnose, treat and manage diseases and foster recovery more efficiently.

Goal

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• Lay foundations for development of safer and more effective health care products or solutions that respond to unmet public health needs and that can be implemented into healthcare systems.

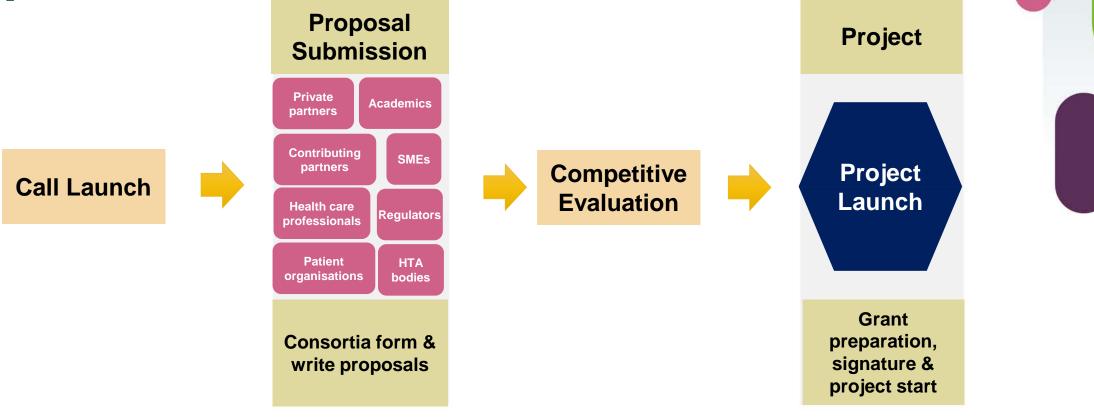
Research supported by IHI should remain at precompetitive level



https://www.ihi.europa.eu/about-ihi/research-and-innovation-agenda



How does IHI work? single-stage procedure





Access and integration of heterogeneous health data for improved health care in disease areas of high unmet public health need



The challenge

- There is a wealth of data that could be harnessed for use in healthcare
- Accessing, integrating & analysing these data to maximise the value for patient care and research is extremely challenging.
- This topic aims to provide a scalable platform for the seamless integration or linkage of these diverse data and develop tools to allow the data to be used in clinical care, patient selfmanagement





Need for public-private, cross-sector collaboration

- The data to be integrated in the funded projects are expected to come from diverse public and private sources.
- Cross-sectoral expertise is needed including from:
 - Patients
 - Health care professionals
 - Healthcare data specialists
 - Academic researchers
 - SMEs
 - Pharmaceutical and medical technology industries.





Scope of the topic

For clearly identified **disease areas of high unmet public health need**, applicants are expected to:

- Develop/ further develop a scalable, open platform for the seamless integration or linkage of data from diverse public and private data sources
- Develop or further develop tools focussed on the needs of patients
- Develop / further develop clinical (and other) decision support systems.
- Demonstrate the added value of the platform through a use case (study)
- Demonstrate the widespread applicability and scalability of the platform & tools
- Facilitate long-term access and re-use of the data



Expected outcomes

- Researchers, including industry stakeholders have long term access to diverse data and new tools that enable the integration and analysis of these data.
- Citizens, including patients, are given interoperable tools to access their own health data to support disease selfmanagement
- Health care professionals and health care providers have access to clinical (and other) decision support systems



Expected impact

- Better and faster integration of future products, services and tools along the health care pathway
- Wider availability of interoperable, quality data
- Advanced analytics/artificial intelligence supporting health R&I resulting in:
 - clinical decision support for increased accuracy of diagnosis and efficacy of treatment
 - wider availability of **personalised health interventions** to end-users
 - better evidence of the added value from new digital health and artificial intelligence (AI) tools



Other considerations:

Applicants should:

- Build on clearly identified existing tools & platforms where possible
- Demonstrate they have access to sufficient diverse data
- Applicants are expected to explore the integration of the outputs with the European Health Data Space (EHDS) when it becomes operational and explore synergies with other relevant health data initiatives.





Dissemination, exploitation and communication

- Crucial to ensure take up of project results after the funding ends.
 - Long term impact
- In your proposal, you must:
 - Describe the activities that are planned
 - Describe the target group(s) addressed
 - Reserve sufficient resources for these activities



Budget & Duration

BUDGET

- Total of EUR 40 million public funding available for this topic
 - Expect to fund 2 projects.
- At least 45% of the total budget of each project must be covered by contributions provided by IHI Private members & Contributing partners

DURATION

 Applicants should propose a project duration such that it matches project activities and expected outcomes and impacts



Simplified example budget

Participant type	Total costs	Requested IHI funding	In-kind contributions (IKOP, IKAA, FCs)
'Public' partners (Universities, hospitals, SMEs, patient orgs, regulators)	20 million	20 million	0
Private members & Contributing partners	20 million	0	20 million
Total	40 million	20 million (50%)	20 million <u>(50%)</u>



Proposal Submission & Evaluation



Proposal Template - Parts A, B & Annexes

 Part A of the proposal is administrative data that is entered in webforms through the Funding & Tenders Portal.

• Part B of the proposal is the narrative part that includes three sections:

- Excellence
- Impact
- Quality and efficiency of the implementation
- Read instructions in proposal template very carefully

• Annexes:

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- Participant type
- Budget details
- Clinical studies template



Evaluation Criteria (1/2)

Excellence

- Clarity and pertinence of the project's objectives, and the extent to which the proposed work is ambitious, and goes beyond the state of the art.
- Soundness of the proposed methodology, including the underlying concepts, models, assumptions, interdisciplinary approaches, appropriate consideration of the gender dimension in research and innovation content, and the quality of open science practices, including sharing and management of research outputs and engagement of citizens, civil society and end users where appropriate.

Impact

- Credibility of the pathways to achieve the expected outcomes and impacts specified in the work programme, and the likely scale and significance of the contributions due to the project.
- Suitability and quality of the measures to maximise expected outcomes and impacts, as set out in the dissemination and exploitation plan, including communication activities.

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Evaluation Criteria (2/2)

Quality and efficiency of the implementation

- Quality and effectiveness of the work plan, assessment of risks, and appropriateness of the effort assigned to work packages, and the resources overall
- Capacity and role of each participant, and extent to which the consortium as a whole brings together the necessary expertise.



• Tips for applicants



Tips for applicants

- Read all the call-relevant material, especially the topic text
 - www.ihi.europa.eu/apply-funding/open-calls
 - www.ihi.europa.eu/apply-funding/future-opportunities
- Form your consortium early
 - Always think "public-private partnership"
 - Include partners bringing in-kind contributions
- Ensure that all information requested in the call text and proposal template is provided to allow the evaluation experts to easily assess your proposal against the evaluation criteria
- Consider & plan for the potential regulatory impact of results







Finding project partners

You'll need to build or join a consortium!

- Network with your contacts, webinar & brokerage event participants:
 - ihi-calls-2022.b2match.io/components/20715
- Use EU Funding & Tenders portal partner search tool:
 - https://europa.eu/!QU87Nx
- Get in touch with your IHI national contact point:
 - https://europa.eu/!D7jyMy
- Network on social media:
 - <u>www.twitter.com/IHIEurope</u>
 - <u>be.linkedin.com/company/innovative-health-initiative</u>

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Additional Slides



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Private member 1	15 million	0	15 million
Private member 2 'hybrid'	10 million	5 million	5 million
Total	40 million	20 million (50%)	20 million <u>(50%)</u>
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