



## “What’s new, Committee 2?” Social Policy and Public Health E-health -February 2010

### Funding Opportunities

#### ICT Policy Support Programme

The ICT Policy Support Programme aims at a wider uptake and best use of ICT and digital content by citizens, governments and businesses. A fourth call for proposals opened on 21<sup>st</sup> January **until 1<sup>st</sup> June 2010.**

One of the themes detailed in the ICT PSP annual Work Programme is dedicated to **ICT for health and inclusion.**

The main objectives under this theme are to increase the international cooperation in the field of e-health, to extend the scope of the currently running epSOS pilot (Objective 3.1.), to support the scaling up of e-health services and to support the EU e-health governance initiative (Objective 3.2.).

More information on this call, as well as the presentations made during the Infoday is available on the website of the European Commission:

[http://ec.europa.eu/information\\_society/activities/ict\\_psp/participating/calls/all\\_proposals\\_10/index\\_en.htm](http://ec.europa.eu/information_society/activities/ict_psp/participating/calls/all_proposals_10/index_en.htm)

#### EU Health Programme 2010 Call

The European Commission has launched its annual call for projects, tenders, operating grants, conferences and joint actions in the framework of the "Second Health Programme" (2008-2013). A total budget of 47.1 million euros is available for the execution of the 2010 Work Plan and for funding the European organisations active in the area of public health.

Deadline for submitting proposals is **19<sup>th</sup> March 2010.**

The AER Secretariat has prepared a note on the funding opportunities available for regions under the 2010 Call: <http://www.aer.eu/main-issues/health.html> (please log in to access the document)

### Partner Search

#### Project Proposal: Public Health Determinants Management

The University Institute of Scientific Research in Health of the Balearic Islands (E) and the Mateu Orfila Foundation are currently searching for partners to join their project called “Hazard nutritional Disease-related tool” (HDtool).

The goal of this project is to develop a Web 2.0 tool, which will allow the management of food risk assessment and safety in menus.

The HDtool project will start with an analysis of the current situation and of the medium and long term trends in order to identify patient care with food interactions, habits and legal issues.

The project will last 36 months. Potential partners should be specialists in the field (such as clinical nutritionist, medical caretakers, food safety and nutrition technicians, computer experts) and specific organisations (patients’ organisations, private and public companies in elderly and patient-care residences, private and public hospitals, universities...) from all EU member states.

If you are interested in this project, please contact Antonio Colom, Project Manager, [colom@healthinall.org](mailto:colom@healthinall.org), Tel: +34 971 17 67 55 / Fax: +34 971 17 69 33. This proposal is valid until **8<sup>th</sup> March 2010.**

### AER Activities

#### ALEC 2010 Presentations available online!

ALEC2010 brought together 200 participants from across Europe and beyond to shape the regions’ future e-health agenda. Regional politicians, officers, university experts and business representatives discussed how they are working on e-health back home and presented their solutions to overcoming the challenges linked to implementing e-health.

The conclusions and speakers’ presentations are now available on the AER website at: <http://www.aer.eu/en/events/health-social/2009/ehealth-nll.html> (Please log in to have a full access to the material).

AER thanks Norrbotten (S) for their kind hospitality and the excellent organisation of this event!

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## Upcoming!

### Bits, Bytes, the community & quality of life! PEOPLE Project conference, 10 March 2010 Participate on line!

Noord-Brabant (NL) is organising a conference to discuss the potential impact of 'social networks' on increasing participation and social cohesion in our regions' societies. Applications such as *facebook* or *twitter* have the potential to facilitate civil dialogue and strengthen communities, but at the same time raise security/privacy concerns and change the way society and civil dialogue actually works.

You don't need to be there to participate! Have your say during the conference on Twitter: [http://twitter.com/people\\_eu](http://twitter.com/people_eu)  
Join the PEOPLE project network on LinkedIn:  
<http://www.linkedin.com/groupRegistration?gid=2577762>  
and don't forget to join the project's policy forum:  
<http://peoplepolicyforum.nin.com>

The conference will be broadcast live on line- the webstream address will be sent to you shortly. More information on the project and this meeting is available at: [www.peopleproject.eu](http://www.peopleproject.eu)

### EU E-health Ministerial Conference and World of Health IT, 15-18 March 2010

This year two major events in the European e-health calendar have been linked to create the EU's e-health week. The e-health Ministerial Conference and the World of Health IT will both take place in Barcelona (Catalunya-E) on 15-18 March 2010.

Agneta Granström (Norrbotten-S), Chairperson of the AER e-he@lth network, will represent the network at these events.

Further information on this event is available on line:  
<http://www.ehealthweek2010.org>

The AER Secretariat will send you feedback on these events.

## Looking for some reading?

### OECD Report on Health and ICT

An OECD report entitled "Achieving Efficiency Improvements in the Health Sector through the Implementation of Information and Communication Technologies" was released on February 15th. This study provides advice on the range of policy options, conditions and practices that policy makers can adapt to their own national circumstances to accelerate adoption and effective use of these technologies. The report is available at: [http://ec.europa.eu/health/eu\\_world/docs/oecd\\_ict\\_en.pdf](http://ec.europa.eu/health/eu_world/docs/oecd_ict_en.pdf)  
Happy reading!

### Dates for your Diary!

Date	Location	Event
25-26 February	Venice, Veneto-I	Euregio III – Reference Group meeting
15-18 March	Barcelona, Catalunya-E	EU e-health ministerial Conference and World of Health IT
10 May	Barcelona, Catalunya-E	Meeting of the Working Group on Equal Europe for people with disabilities
11-12 May	Barcelona, Catalunya-E	Committee 2 Spring plenary session & Conference: "Reducing Alcohol-related harm: why and how?" (EN, FR,ES)