

Accelerating digital transition in health

EU perspective and funding opportunities

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EU Context: eHealth – Smart Health – Digital Health

Definitions: Whilst there is no single definition of what constitutes *Smart Health*, it essentially refers to the development of smart (usually digitally aided) solutions to improve the way healthcare solutions are delivered.

Challenges: ageing, workforce shortages, the rising burden of preventable non-communicable diseases or growing threats from infectious diseases and the huge cost (healthcare accounts for 9,6% of GDP in the EU as a whole (2017))

Solutions: A paradigm shift is needed towards protective and responsive health care systems, where maintance of good health is the prime focus of disease management. Fundamental to the paradigm shift is the availability of continous health monitoring data from both clinical and citizen/patient generated sources as well as strategic and multidisciplinary collaboration between citizens/patients, researchers, healthcare and medical professionals and firms of different sizes.

Smart Health products and services are expected to lead to faster, better and more personalised healthcare with better health outcomes and improved wellbeing.

EU legal framework

The organisation and delivery of health and social care are the responsibility of the Member States. The Commission provides its support through funding and actions that promote policy cooperation and exchange of good practice:

- ✓ Horizon Europe/ Horizon2020
- ✓ Connecting Europe Facility (CEF)
- ✓ **Directive 2011/24/EU** of the European Parliament and of COMMISSIONER : STELLA KYRIAKIDESthe Council of 9 March 2011 on the application of patients' rights in cross-border healthcare
- ✓ **Regulation (EU) 2017/745** of the European Parliament and of the Council of 26 May 2021 on medical devices
- ✓ Regulation (EU) 2016/679 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 27 April 2016 on the protection of natural persons with regard to the processing of personal data and on the free movement of such data
- Regulation (EU) No 910/2014 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 July 2014 on electronic identification and trust services for electronic transactions in the internal market
- ✓ **Directive (EU) 2016/1148** of the European Parliament and of the Council of 6 July 2016 concerning measures for a high common level of security of network and information systems across the Union
- ✓ The European Innovation Partnership on Active and Healthy Ageing (EIP on AHA)
- ✓ Council Regulation (EU) No 557/2014 of 6 May 2014 establishing the Innovative Medicines Initiative 2 Joint Undertaking
- ✓ Council Regulation (EU) No 561/2014 of 6 May 2014 establishing the Electronic Components and Systems for European Leadership Joint Undertaking
- ✓ Health Emergency Preparedness and Response (DG HERA) COMMISSIONER: STELLA KYRIAKIDES



Need for further EU action

1. citizens' secure access to and sharing of health data across borders;

2. better data to advance research, disease prevention and personalised health and care;

3. digital tools for citizen empowerment and person-centred care.

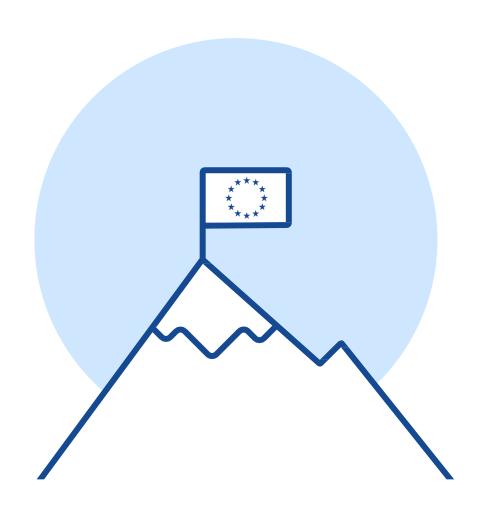


The Health and Digital Executive Agency (HaDEA)





Mission



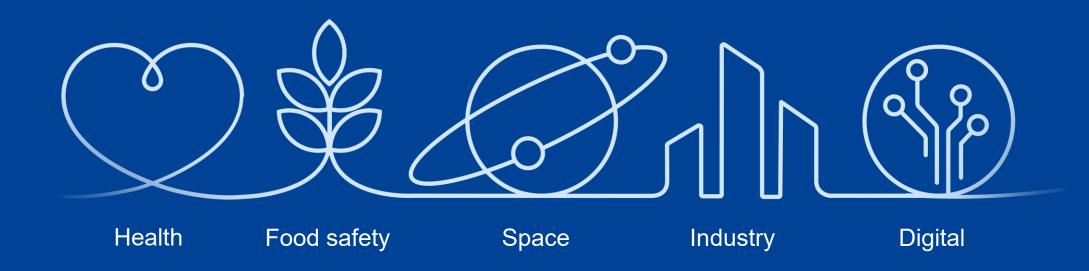
To implement actions that strengthen Europe in the domains of health, food safety, digital technologies and networks, industrial capacities and space.

We provide high quality and serviceoriented support, with the aim to enable European society to become more healthy, resilient and fair and European industry to become more competitive.

We ensure that the projects funded by the HaDEA deliver concrete results that benefit the lives of all EU citizens and provide the European Commission with valuable input for its policies

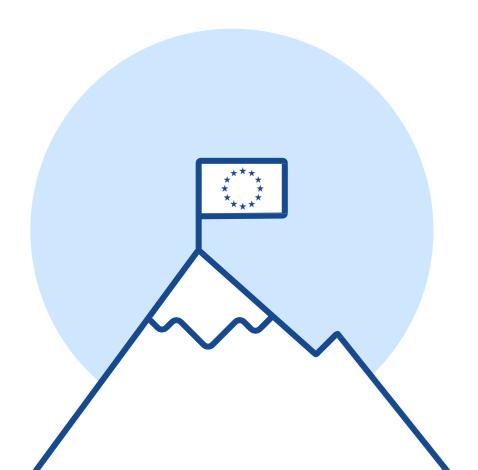


Programme sectors



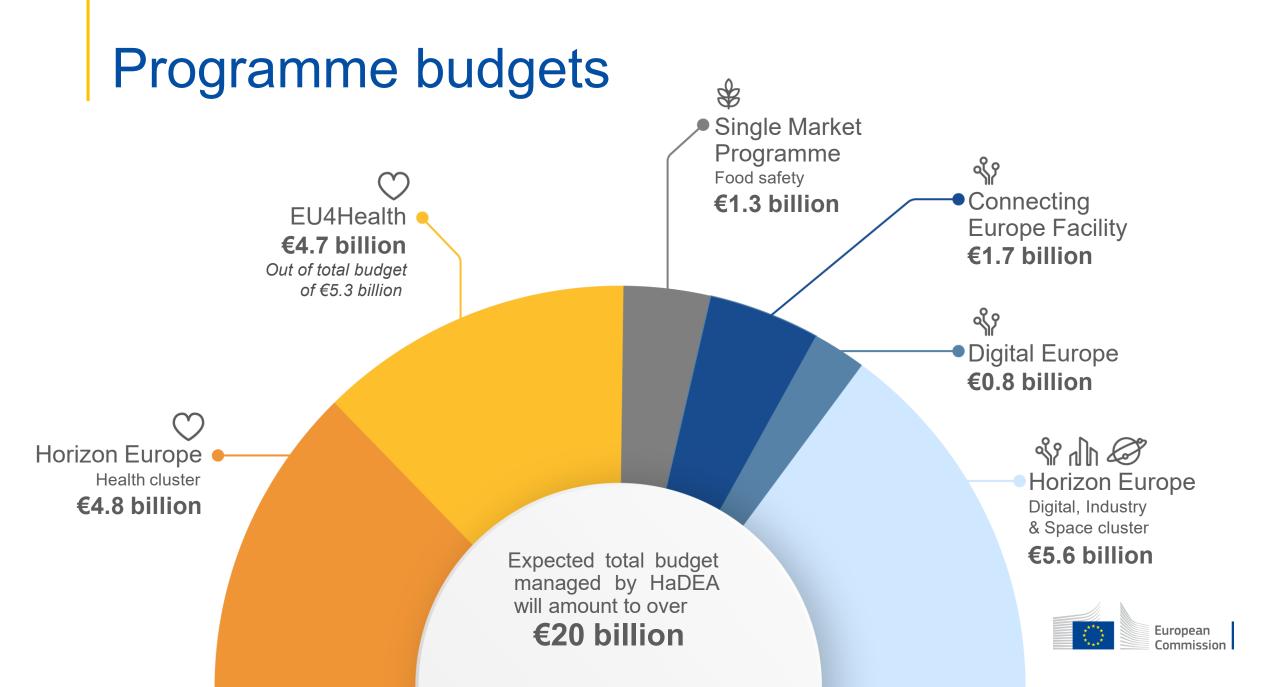
Horizon Europe Health cluster

Areas of intervention



- 1. Health throughout the life course
- 2. Environmental and social health determinants
- 3. Non-communicable and rare diseases
- 4. Infectious diseases including povertyrelated and neglected diseases
- 5. Tools, technologies and digital solutions for health and care including personalised medicine
- 6. Health care systems





Roles and responsibilities (1)

European Commission

Defines policy

- Defines strategy, objectives and priority areas/work programmes
- Makes programme decisions
- Selects projects for (co-)funding
- Evaluates the programme implementation and the Agency's performance



Executive Agencies

Turns policy into action

- Manages the project lifecycle:
 - Organises calls for proposals and external evaluations
 - Monitors the implementation of projects
- Supports communication activities (Info Days, publications, etc.)
- Provides feedback to policy making



Roles and responsibilities (2)

European Commission

Digital Agenda for Europe: 2020-2030

• **Skills**: At least 80% of all adults should have basic digital skills and there should be 20 million ICT specialists employed in the EU, while more women should take up such jobs;

- Businesses: 75% of companies should use cloud computing services, big data and AI; more than 90% of EU SMEs should reach at least a basic level of digital intensity; and the number of EU unicorns should double;
- Infrastructure: All EU households should have gigabit connectivity and all populated areas should be covered by 5G; the production of cutting-edge and sustainable semiconductors in Europe should make up 20% of worldwide production; 10 000 climate-neutral highly secure edge nodes should be deployed in the EU, and Europe should have its first quantum computer;
- Public services: All key public services should be available online; all citizens will have access to their e-medical records, and 80% of citizens should use an electronic identity solution COM(2018) 233 final

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Programmes

- Horizon Europe
 - Cluster 1 (Health)
 - Cluster 4 (Digital, Industry & Space)
- EU4Health
- Single Market
- Connecting Europe Facility
- Digital Europe



Horizon 2020 digital health projects (2014-2020)



eHealth

Net EU Contribution

108,2M_{H2020}

Total Cost

113,1M_{H2020}

Signed Grants

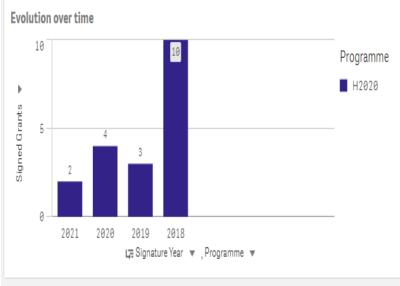
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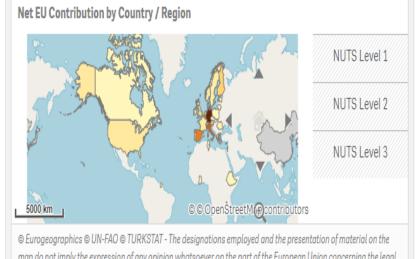
Participation

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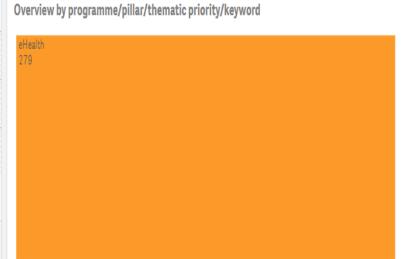
Unique Participants

2530,61%





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Smart Health

Net EU Contribution 140,9 M 0,21%

Total Cost

166,2M_{H2020}

Signed Grants

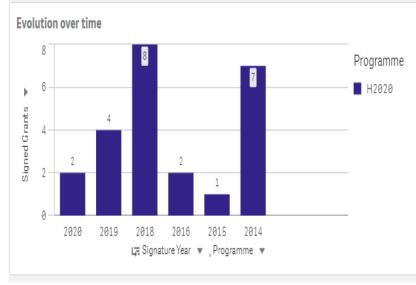
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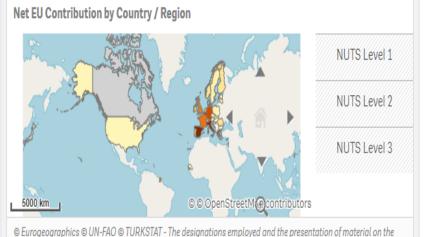
Participation

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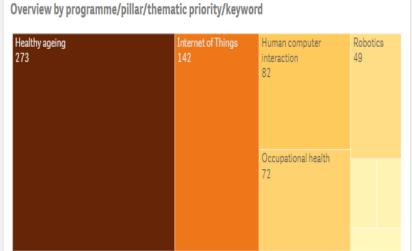
Unique Participants

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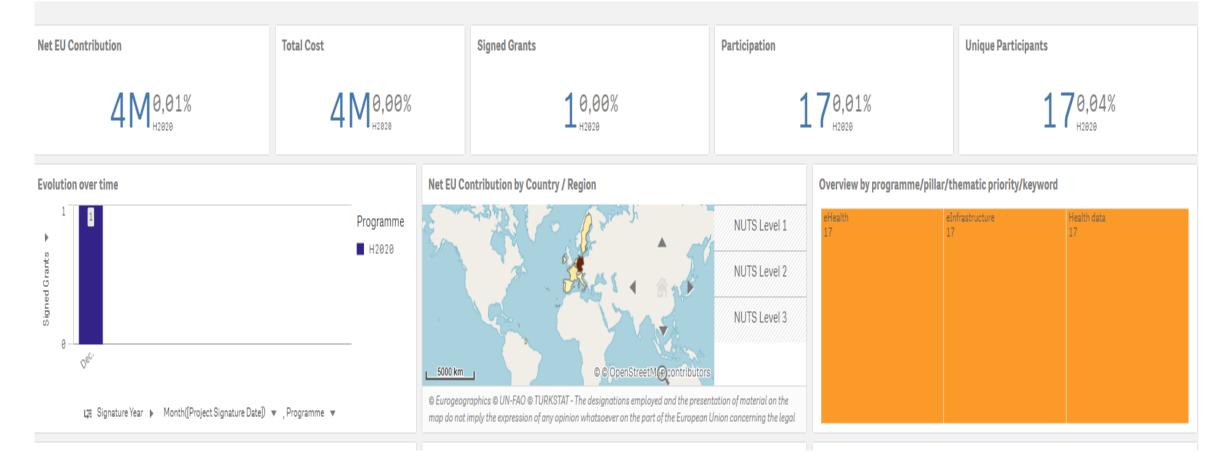






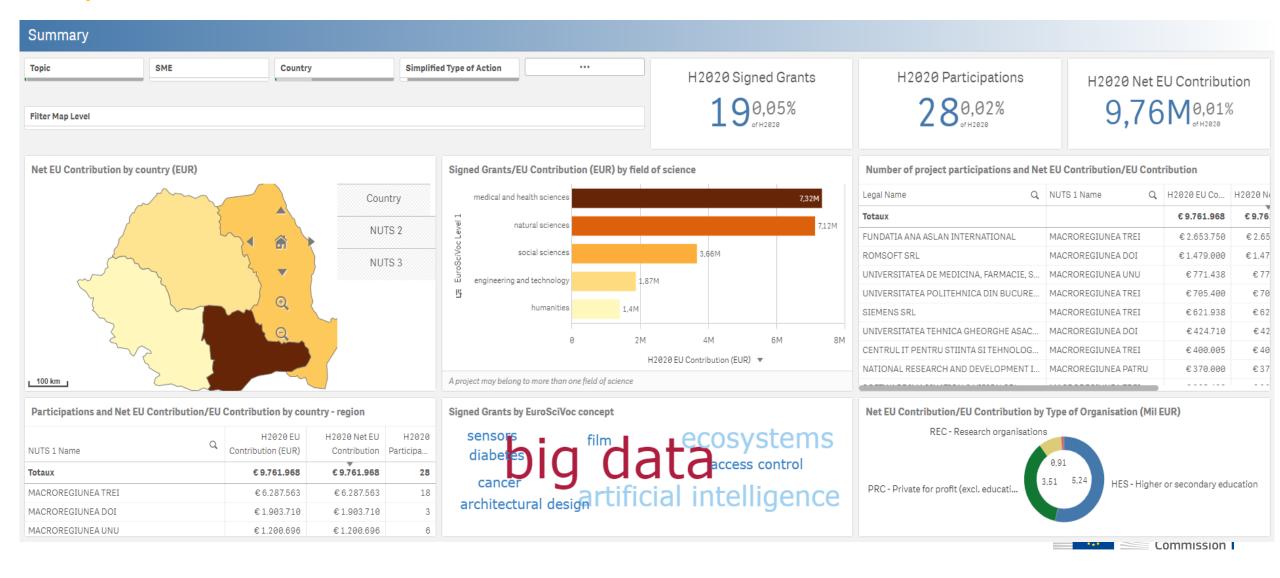


Digital Health





România



Success story – SupraChem Lab

New lab seeks supramolecular solutions for gene therapy







Horizon Europe digital health calls & topics (2021-2022)



Destination 1 - Staying healthy in a rapidly changing society

HORIZON-HLTH-2021-STAYHLTH-01-03: Healthy Citizens 2.0 - Supporting

digital empowerment and health literacy of citizens

Type of Action: Coordination and Support Action

Budget: EUR 3 million

HORIZON-HLTH-2022-STAYHLTH-01-04-two-stage: *Trustworthy artificial intelligence (AI) tools to predict the risk of chronic non-communicable diseases and/or their progression*

Type of Action: Research and Innovation Actions

Budget: EUR 60.00 million



Destination 4 - Ensuring access to innovative, sustainable and high-quality health care

HORIZON-HLTH-2021-CARE-05-02: Data-driven decision-support tools for better health care delivery and policy-making with a focus on cancer

Type of Action: Research and Innovation Actions

Budget: EUR 40.00 million



Destination 5 - Unlocking the full potential of new tools, technologies and digital solutions for a healthy society

HORIZON-HLTH-2021-TOOL-06-01: Smart medical devices and their surgical implantation for use in resource-constrained settings

Type of Action: Innovation Actions

Budget: EUR 25.00 million

HORIZON-HLTH-2021-TOOL-06-03: Innovative tools for use and re-use of health data (in particular of electronic health records and/or patient registries)

Type of Action: Research and Innovation Actions

Budget: EUR 30.00 million

HORIZON-HLTH-2022-TOOL-11-02: New methods for the effective use of real-world data and/or synthetic data in regulatory decision-making and/or in health technology assessment

Type of Action: Research and Innovation Actions

Budget: EUR 35.00 million

HORIZON-HLTH-2022-TOOL-12-01-two-stage: Computational models for new patient stratification strategies

Type of Action: Peacerch and Innovation Actions

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Budget: EUR 60.00 million

Destination 6 - Maintaining an innovative, sustainable and globally competitive health-related industry

HORIZON-HLTH-2021-IND-07-03: Promoting a trusted mHealth label in Europe: uptake of technical specifications for quality and reliability of health

and wellness apps

Type of Action: Coordination and Support Action

Budget: EUR 2.00 million

HORIZON-HLTH-2022-IND-13-01: Enhancing cybersecurity of connected medical devices

Type of Action: Research and Innovation Actions

Budget: EUR 20.00 million

HORIZON-HLTH-2022-IND-13-02: Scaling up multi-party computation, data anonymisation techniques, and synthetic data generation

Type of Action: Research and Innovation Actions

Budget: EUR 30.00 million

HORIZON-HLTH-2022-IND-13-04: Setting up a European Smart Health Innovation Hub

Type of Action: Coordination and Support Action

Budget: EUR 2.00 million

HORIZON-HLTH-2022-IND-13-05: Setting up a European Electronic Health Record Exchange Format (EEHRxF) Ecosystem

Type of Action: Coordination and Support Action

Budget: EUR 2.00 million



How to get involved

Participation in consortia for collaborative research projects:

- Register as a participant on "Funding & tender opportunities" portal https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/portal/screen/how-to-participate/participant-register
- Use Partner search facility on "Funding & tender opportunities" portal https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/portal/screen/how-to-participate/partner-search
- National Contact Points

 https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/portal/screen/support/ncp

Participation in evaluations and reviews:

 Register as an independent expert on "Funding & tender opportunities" portal

https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/portal/screen/work-as-an-expert



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