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Horizon 2020 project, PIPPI, launches new website

EU project drives new development of healthcare innovation

(Stockholm/Vienna, 28-06-2019) A consortium of seven leading European university hospitals, coordinated by Sweden's Karolinska University Hospital, joined forces in December 2018 to develop and accelerate innovation in digital health and care procurement for Europe. The project, called "PIPPI" (Platform for Procurement of Innovation and Innovation of Procurement) and funded through the EU Horizon 2020 programme, has launched a new website at www.PIPPI-project.eu.

The website provides general information, a list of project partners, project news and contact details. "Smooth communication channels are particularly important to us since the procurement process involves different stakeholders performing different tasks," emphasises Tanja Stamm, head of the Institute for Outcomes Research at MedUni Vienna and project communication lead. "Optimal cooperation in procurement enables innovation. And: the procurement of innovation requires stakeholders to work together and connect individual areas of expertise".

The following institutions are involved in the project: Karolinska University Hospital (Sweden), Erasmus University Medical Center Rotterdam (Netherlands), San Raffaele Hospital (Italy), Medical University Vienna (Austria), Vall d'Hebron Barcelona Hospital Campus (Spain), Agency for Health Quality and Assessment of Catalonia (Spain), Helsinki University Hospital (Finland) and King's College Hospital (England).

Innovations to address clinical challenges

The Pan-European project brings together relevant stakeholders, including hospitals and research institutions, industry partners, health professionals and patients, to identify digital healthcare needs and develop innovative solutions for said needs. The platform combines expertise on digital healthcare, patient-centred care and supply- and demand-side procurement to jointly address these unmet clinical challenges.

The project is funded by Horizon2020, the European Union's Research Framework Programme. The project began with its first meeting in Vienna on 3 December 2018 and runs until 2021.

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