

Speeding up the development of Innovative Health Technologies

**CLOSURE EVENT OF ITECH PROJECT – January 27th, 2016 in Brussels.
L42 Business Center, Rue de la Loi 42**

12.30 – welcome lunch and registration of the participants

14.00 – Opening official speech



Towards tomorrow's health: the promises of innovative health technologies for society

Eva KAILI

Member of European Parliament, Member of ITRE (Committee on Industry, Research and Energy), 1st Vice Chair of the STOA (Science and Technology Options Assessment), Member of Knowledge4Education (K4E)

14.15 – Official speech



Innovation in cardiology and telecardiology: the perfect example of a benefit to the patients

Soledad CABEZON RUIZ (tbc)

Member of the Committee on the Environment, Public Health and Food Safety, Substitute in the Committee on Industry, Research and Energy in the European Parliament

14.30 – Official speech



Towards a better quality of life thanks to medical devices

Petra WILSON (tbc)

Chief executive officer of the International Diabetes Federation (IDF)

14.45 – Official speech



Impact of health technologies on ageing well policies

Ilias IAKOVIDIS

Acting Head of Unit, Digital Social Platforms, DG Connect, European Commission

15.00 – Presentation



Introduction on the ITECH Project: a European collective work on the “idea to market” process in the Health technologies area in Europe

Professeur Régis BEUSCART,

MD-PhD. CIC-IT network, INSERM France



15.15 – Presentation

What are the “12 gaps and barriers” identified by ITECH, constraining the development of medical devices?

Professor Norman Black

*Professor in Medical Informatics
Computer Science Research Institute*



15.30 – Presentation

Current trends on building bridges between clinical medicine and health delivery gaps using eHealth solutions

Professor Nicos Maglaveras

*Director of the Laboratory of Medical Informatics
Aristotle University of Thessaloniki*



15.45 – Presentation

The 4 concrete propositions of ITECH project to promote industrial success and deployment of innovations.

Professor Niilo SARANUMMI

Research professor in health technology at VTT Technical Research Centre of Finland

16.00: pause (networking and video interviews)



16.20: Discussion

2016 – 2017: how could we speed up the spreading of health innovations to the citizens' benefits?

Discussion in the presence and with the participation of:

ITECH partners and industrials involved in the field of Health Technologies
EAMBES (European Alliance for Medical and Biological Engineering & Science)
EUCOMED (Medical Technologies Industry in Europe)
COCIR (Sustainable Competence in advancing Healthcare)
INSERM



17.45: Closure Speech

Perspectives on European support to research and innovation in the medical devices area **Robert-Jan SMITS**

Director-General of the Health Directorate at the Research DG of the European Commission.

18.00 – 19.00 : Closure cocktail (networking, video interviews and press meetings)