

Vision: Health Technologies must be clearly and simply identifiable with a limited number of keywords through all the phases of the Idea-to-Market process from the definition of the project to the final version of the system.

Recommendation	Actions or action plan	Responsible actor	Other stakeholders	Desired impacts
Develop a classification / taxonomy for eHealth applications that is currently not available. This classification/taxonomy has to be usable both by academics and industrials.	A working group has to be created to identify the different dimensions of eHealth applications: - Technological - Medical / wellbeing / homecare - Users - Others	European Commission	Scientific societies (EFMI, IMIA, EAMBES) COCIR, EUCOMED WHO European and National organisations of professionals International experts	Medical Devices and eHealth applications (including telehealth and m-health and personalised health) will play a major role in the diagnosis, procedures and treatments of patients. The development and adoption of common nomenclatures and taxonomies is essential to standardize keywords for research, innovation, industrialisation and commercialisation.
To continue the current efforts to organize a European classification of Medical Devices (or taxonomy) that should be used by all Member States.	The classification of Medical Devices has to be based on GMDN. All the Medical devices should be stamped with a Unique device Identifier (UDI).	European Commission GMDN	Scientific societies COCIR, EUCOME WHO EU organisations of professionals International experts	A common language and common keywords will support the communication and collaboration between researchers, developers, industrials and stakeholders.
Consider a way of linking Medical Device nomenclature and the eHealth taxonomy with reimbursement procedures.	The classifications will support the integration of Health Technologies in the reimbursement phase.	WHO National Authorities	Scientific societies (EFMI, IMIA, EAMBES,) National Health authorities EU organisations of professionals International experts	This will contribute to the economic growth (through funding and reimbursement process) of the domain.

* EFMI = European Federation for Medical Informatics
* IMIA = International Medical Information Association

* EAMBES = European Alliance for Medical and Biological Engineering Sciences
* GMDN = Global Medical Device Nomenclature