EUnetHTA – The European network for Health Technology Assessment

EUnetHTA Training Course for Stakeholders
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Historical Timeline of EUnetHTA

2004  The European Commission and the Council of Ministers target Health Technology Assessment (HTA) as “a political priority”, recognising “(...) an urgent need for establishing a sustainable European network on HTA”

2005  Call for project proposal answered by a group of 35 organisations throughout Europe

2006  EUnetHTA Project (2006-2008)

2009  EUnetHTA Collaboration (2009)

2010  EUnetHTA Joint Action 1 (2010-2012)

The timeline of reaching a sustainable and permanent HTA network in Europe

- 2005: Call for project proposals
- 2006-2008: EUnetHTA Project
- 2009: Call for joint action
- 2009: EUnetHTA Collaboration
- 2008-2011: Draft Cross Border Healthcare Directive, Article 15 on HTA network
- 2011-12: CBHC Directive now decided
- 2013: EU Cooperation on HTA Implementing Decision
- 2014-2020: Financial support HTA
- 2011 FP7-Health 2012-Innovation-1: New methodologies for HTA Legislation
- 2010-2012: EUnetHTA JA1
- 2016-2020: EUnetHTA Scientific and technical cooperation
- 2012-2015: EUnetHTA JA2
- 2013+: HTA Network
EUnetHTA Joint Action 2 (2012-2015)

Objectives

- To strengthen the practical application of tools and approaches to cross-border HTA collaboration
- To achieve a better understanding for the European Commission and Member States of ways to establish a sustainable structure for the HTA work in the EU
- To produce recommendations regarding the design and management of the future EU HTA cooperation

Total budget: € 9,428,550

WP1 Coordination & Sustainable network Implementation

WP2 Dissemination & Capacity Building

WP3 Evaluation & Data Collection on cost-effectiveness

WP4 Testing collaborative production of HTA information

WP5 Applying the HTA Core Model for Rapid Assessment

WP6 Information Management Infrastructure and Services (IMIS)

WP7 Methodology development and evidence generation

WP8 Maintenance of HTA Core Model infrastructure
EUnetHTA Joint Action 2 (2012-2015) Planned deliverables

- Recommendations on the implementation of sustainable European network for HTA
- Full Core HTAs
- Pilot rapid assessments
- Methodological guidelines and templates to support production of core HTA information and rapid assessments
- Guidelines and pilots to improve quality and adequacy of initial and additional evidence generation
- Upgraded and updated application package of HTA Core Model
- Report on yearly training courses on EUnetHTA tools and methodology
- Report on evaluation of project completion including assessment of the impact on secondary users of HTA information
Project → JA1 → JA2

- Establishment
- Putting into practice
- Strengthening practical application
Organisational and Governance Structure

Plenary Assembly

Executive Committee

Stakeholder Forum

The Secretariat

WP1 WP2 WP3 WP4 WP5 WP6 WP7 WP8

SAGs

EUnetHTA Organigram
Composition of the Stakeholder Forum

- Payers
- Patients/Consumers
- Industry
- Providers
Purpose of the Stakeholder Forum

To provide stakeholders with the opportunity

• to participate as stakeholder representatives in the EUnetHTA Joint Actions
• to observe and comment on the EUnetHTA Joint Action work
• to provide advice to overarching governance questions in the Joint Actions, and
• to bring forward specific themes and concerns considered relevant by the stakeholders' constituencies in line with the aims of the EUnetHTA Joint Actions
Purpose of the Stakeholder Advisory Groups (SAGs)

Representatives from Stakeholder organisations participate in WP activities via SAGs to

- represent Stakeholder views
- provide perspectives and knowledge on the EUnetHTA work in progress
- Help WPs to improve the basis of their deliberations
- Examples of participation:
  - Commenting on the scope of the project / selected methodologies
  - Commenting on draft reports in preparation of final draft documents before public consultation
Participants JA2

EUnetHTA Partners and Associates in JA2.

Large number of regional agencies and non-for-profit organisations that produce or contribute to HTA.
EUnetHTA has facilitated…

• increased collaboration between European HTA organisations
• practical efforts in improving efficient use of resources available for HTA
• the creation of a sustainable system of HTA knowledge sharing
• the promotion of good practice in HTA methods and processes
• the basis for delivery of reliable, timely, transparent and transferable information contributing to HTAs in European countries
EUnetHTA Tools

- **EUnetHTA HTA Core Model Online**
- **EUnetHTA Planned and Ongoing Projects Database (POP)**
- **EUnetHTA Evidence database on new technologies (EVIDENT)**
- **EUnetHTA Adaptation Glossary & Toolkit**
- **EUnetHTA Contact Database**
- **EUnetHTA Intranet Groups**
- **EUnetHTA E-meeting facility**
- **EUnetHTA News Aggregator**
Health Technology Life-cycle

Use of technology in health care

Time line of innovation

- Early scientific advice
- Rapid REA
- Additional data collection
- HTA / REA
EUnetHTA-EMA Collaboration

- Scientific advice/early dialogues involving regulators and HTAs
- Scientific and methodological guideline development
- Post-licensing (post-authorisation) data generation
- Availability of clinical study data
- Orphan medicinal products
- Cooperation in specific pilot projects of EUnetHTA JA2
- Conferences, workshops and seminars/meetings
Thank you

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