



RSCN

REFERENCE SITE COLLABORATIVE NETWORK

THEMATIC WORKING GROUPS GENERAL MEETING



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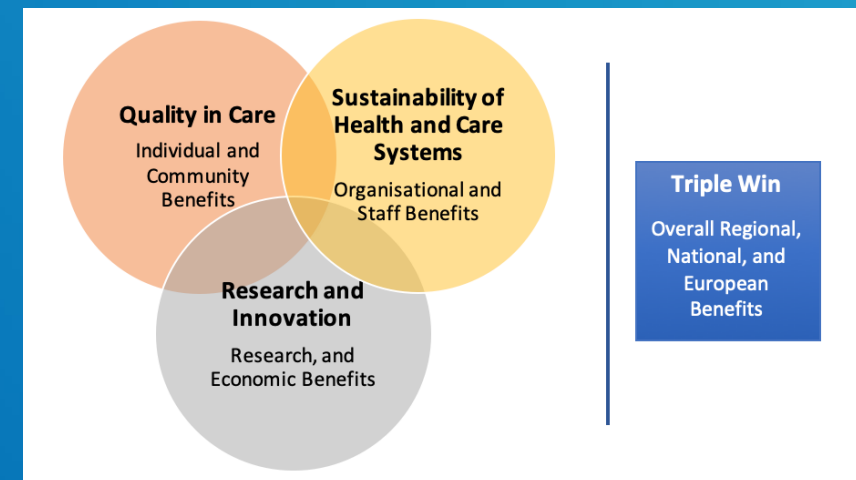


17 May 2023
11.00-13.00

Meeting agenda

1. Welcome from Maddalena Illario, RSCN chair, and Alina Lupu, DG CNCT
2. The RSCN today, John Farrell
3. Shared approach & purpose, Maddalena Illario
4. Focusing on TWG: interactive conversation and proposals for coordination teams. Vincenzo De Luca and all participants.
5. Setting the ground for the Action Plan 2023-2026 & upcoming activities. Maddalena Illario & John Farrell

- Pan European Network established in 2013 as a bottom up initiative by AHA Reference Sites
- Represents all accredited Active and Healthy Ageing/Living Reference Site regions.
- Promotes and Facilitates the implementation and Scaling-Up of Innovation and Digital Solutions to address the life-course approach to active and healthy ageing
- Facilitates multidisciplinary experts from public authorities, health, social care, education, business, research, policy, patient and citizen groups, and communities to identify and address mutual health and care challenges that will lead to sustainable improvements in health and care outcomes for citizens throughout the life-course.
- Supports AHA Reference Sites in Europe, and beyond, to:
 - ❖ Promote all **active and healthy ageing/living actions** within a “whole life course”
 - ❖ Accelerate the **deployment of major innovations** which will improve health, wellbeing, and care outcomes,
 - ❖ Develop **new business models** for innovative services
 - ❖ Facilitate economic growth opportunities through **new skills and new jobs** in health, well-being, and social care



- a) Promote** a life-course approach applied to **specific targets and settings**
- b) Accelerate** the scaling-up and deployment of major innovations and digital health and care solutions that are **tailored** to our RS

By bringing together all accredited AHA Reference Sites into a single network we:

- facilitate the sharing of knowledge and expertise;
- create opportunities for collaboration to address **common** health and care **challenges**;
- facilitate AHA Reference Site regions in the development and implementation of regional health and care **transformation programmes**;
- generate **connections** with European and International forums to promote a life-course approach to active and healthy ageing.

4th Call for AHA(L) Reference Site Regions

Focussed on Quality

- Applications have to demonstrate:
 - a record of evidence-based change in addressing a life-course approach to active and healthy ageing
 - future plans for transformation of health and care to meet regional, national and European priorities
 - scaling-up and transferability of solutions
- Continued adoption of the Quadruple Helix Model;
- Addressing current and emerging health and care challenges at regional, national and European levels
- Commitment of the 66 AHA(L) Reference Site regions to collaborate & generate impact

Network Coverage



66 Accredited AHA Reference Site Regions



250m Citizens



1,400 public authorities, hospitals, primary and community care providers, social care providers



1,800 SMEs and Start Ups



500 Universities, Colleges and research centres



500 patient, voluntary, and community groups

RSCN Outreach

Nigeria, Ethiopia Malawi,
Uganda, Kenya



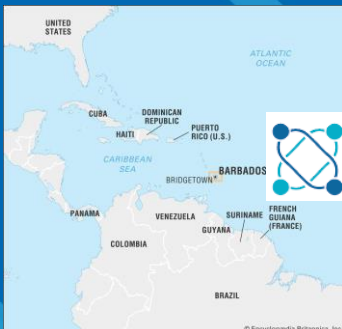
RSCN European AHA REFERENCE SITES



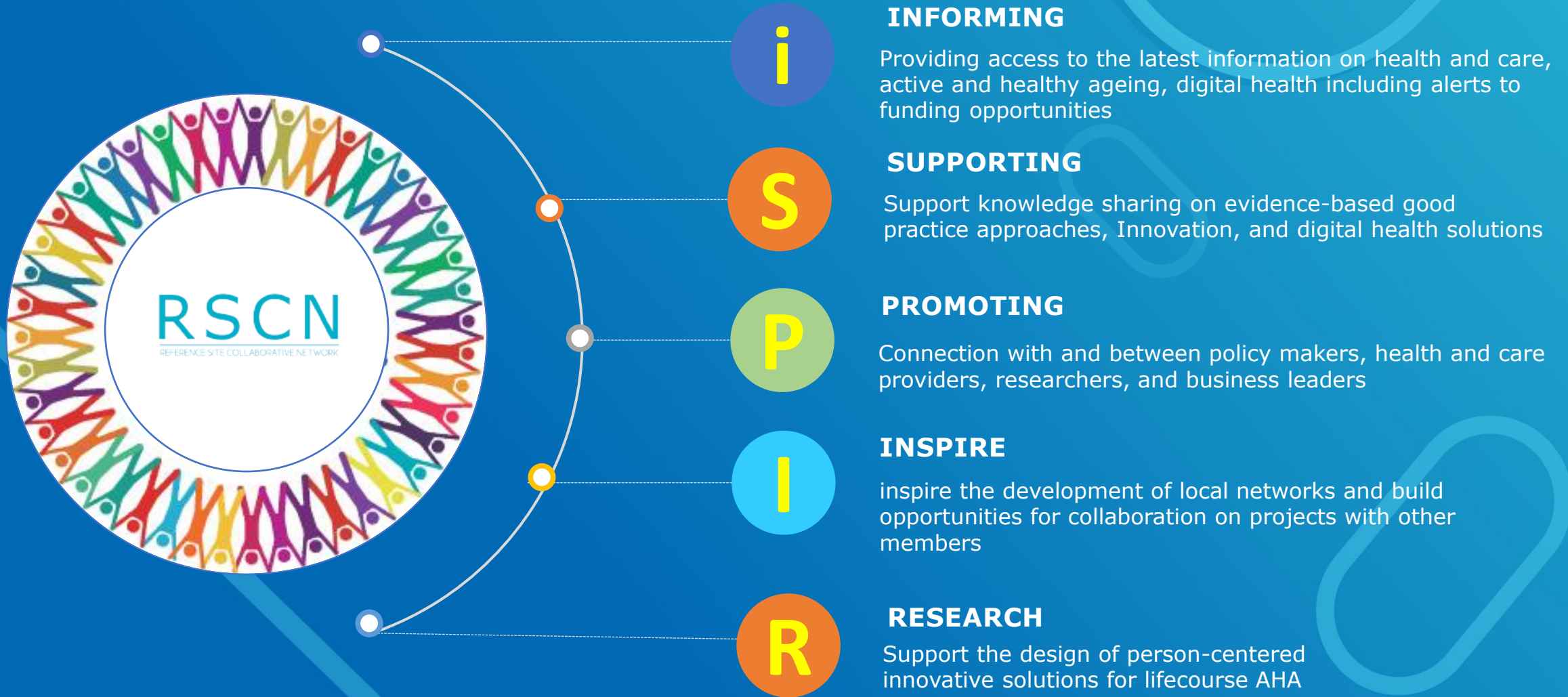
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Biosphere Reserve,
South Africa



Carribean Barbados



Services for AHA Reference Sites



Collaborative activities



**GET
INVOLVED!**



Thematic Working Groups

identify and address research gaps
assess and evaluate good practices and case studies
support regions and organisations to adapt and adopt innovative solutions
spread knowledge and skills



Expert Panel

Supporting TWG, projects & Ex Board



Executive Board

Drive forward strategies, planning & implementation



Sharing Knowledge and Good Practice

Webinars
Workshops
Twinings
Documents & Papers

Our Approach to Innovation

Health need

Environmental
context

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MULTIDIMENSIONAL INTERVENTIONS FOR LIFE-COURSE HEALTH AND WELLBEING

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Twinning Opportunities

Bridging the Gap for Scaling-Up Innovation



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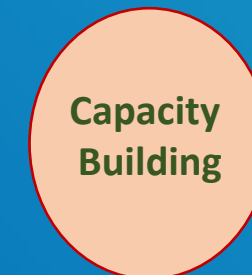
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Dynamic Interconnections and Synergies

Between AHA(L) Reference Site Regions and Thematic Actions and Working Groups

- Needs assessments & innovation gaps
- Dissemination, Communication & exploitation purposes
- Awareness of national and regional priorities

Thematic Working Groups

Thematic Actions	Horizontal actions	
Integrated Care, Multimorbidity & Polypharmacy Management Thematic Working Groups <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Palliative Care 	Education and Training <i>New skills new jobs</i>	Funding opportunities <i>Includes Business models, sustainability and cost evaluations</i>
Health promotion & disease prevention with a lifecourse approach Thematic Working Groups <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Preventing Falls Improving Food and Nutrition Addressing Loneliness 		
Healthy and Age-Friendly Environments Thematic Working Groups <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Resilient rural and peri-urban environments 		
Tourism for Health		
Procurement for innovation		
Information and processes Thematic Working Groups <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mapping people, organizations and activities 		

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Action Plan Renewal Process

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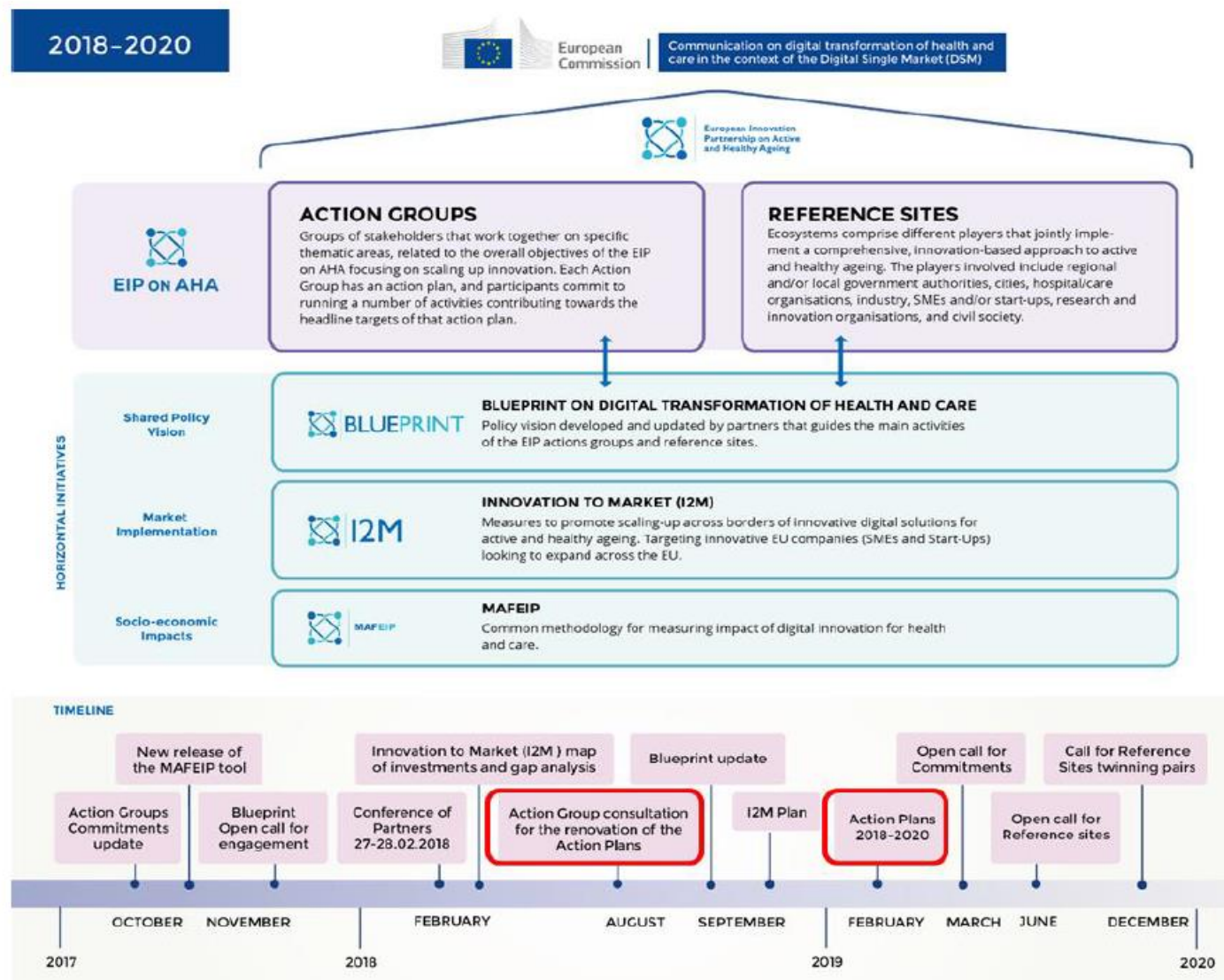


Figure 2. AP renewal process in the EIP on AHA cycle



Digital Health and Care

TRANSFORMATION OF HEALTH AND CARE IN THE DIGITAL SINGLE MARKET - Harnessing the potential of data to empower citizens and build a healthier society

European health challenges

- ⌘ Ageing population and chronic diseases putting pressure on health budgets
- ⌘ Unequal quality and access to healthcare services
- ⌘ Shortage of health professionals

Potential of digital applications and data to improve health

- ⌘ Efficient and integrated healthcare systems
- ⌘ Personalised health research, diagnosis and treatment
- ⌘ Prevention and citizen-centred health services

What EU citizens expect...



Support European Commission:

1

Secure access and exchange of health data

Ambition:

Citizens securely access their health data and health providers (public or private) can exchange them across the EU.

Actions:

- eHealth Digital Service Infrastructure will deliver initial cross-border services (patient summaries and ePrescriptions) and cooperation between participating countries will be strengthened.
- Proposals to extend scope of eHealth cross-border services to additional cases, e.g. full electronic health records.
- Recommended exchange format for interoperability of existing electronic health records in Europe.



2

Health data pooled for research and personalised medicine

Ambition:

Shared health resources (data, infrastructure, expertise...) allowing targeted and faster research, diagnosis and treatment.

Actions:

- Voluntary collaboration mechanisms for health research and clinical practice (starting with "one million genomes by 2022" target).
- Specifications for secure access and exchange of health data.
- Pilot actions on rare diseases, infectious diseases and impact data.



3

Digital tools and data for citizen empowerment and person-centred healthcare

Ambition:

Citizens can monitor their health, adapt their lifestyle and interact with their doctors and carers (receiving and providing feedback).

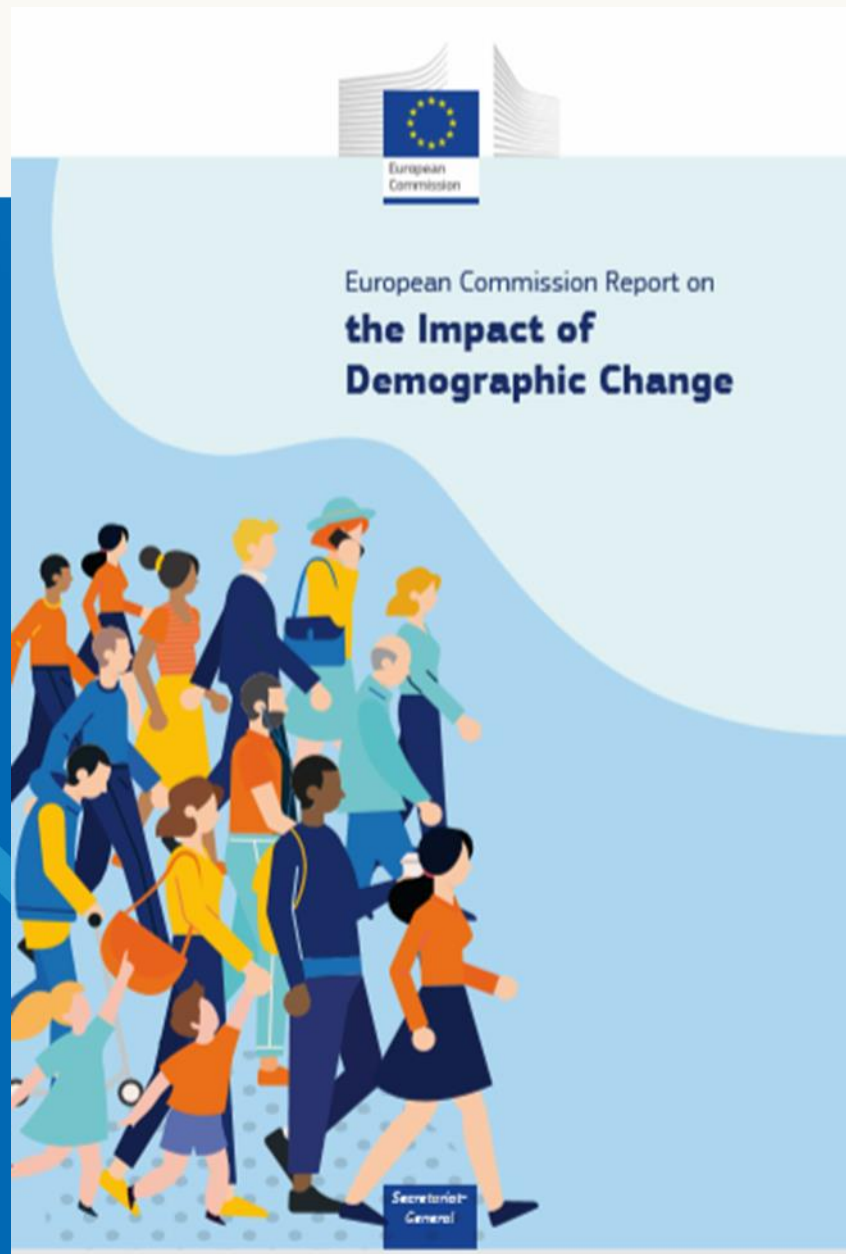
Actions:

- Facilitate supply of innovative digital-based solutions for health, also by SMEs, with common principles and certification.
- Support demand uptake of innovative digital-based solutions for health, notably by healthcare authorities and providers, with exchange of practices and technical assistance.
- Mobilise more efficiently public funding for innovative digital-based solutions for health, including EU funding.



Updated 24/04/2018

EU Priority areas for the transformation of health and care in the Digital Single Market



- Population growth has slowed down in recent decades and halted during the COVID-19 pandemic
- The population in rural areas of Europe is already older, on average, than the population in towns, cities and suburbs
- The mobility of young people can result in major changes to demographic structures in particular geographic areas



- Targeted solutions to transform shrinking regions into more dynamic talent-driven locations
- Underrepresented groups may get more opportunities to put their talent to use in the labour market.
- To activate more people for the labour market (women, people with disabilities, older people and young people not in education, employment or training)
- enhance labour market integration and facilitate job-to-job transitions

Lifecycle approach

Growing needs:

healthcare,
long-term care /
mobility, connectivity,
well-being



Formative years:

life-long learning, healthy
& active ageing



Working age: labour markets,
productivity, innovation and
business
opportunities



Retirement: volunteering,
intergenerational relations /
adequate, fair and sustainable
pension systems, old
age poverty



Territorial aspects

Broad Priorities in the EU

- Pensions and sustainability of social protection systems
- Long-term care and healthcare
- Healthy and active ageing, including digital tools and skills
- Inclusion and non-discrimination
- Territorial dimension of ageing

Policy focus beyond 2020

From Active and Healthy Ageing to Active and Healthy Living

Focus on:

- Life-course health and wellbeing promotion
- Active ageing at the workplace, Independent living and Integrated care (*Digital Europe Program, Horizon Europe*)
- Silver economy and support to an EU single market for innovative health solutions for AHA (*Innovative Health Initiative*)
- Age-friendly environments, cities and communities (*New European Bauhaus*)
- Implementation practices and deployment (*RSCN*)
- Capacity building & Digital skills (*Twinnings, Digital Europe Program, Horizon Europe, ERDF, Pact for Skills*)
- Promote International Cooperation on AHA (*International Collaboration, Digital Transformation, Healthy Ageing-IDIH, EU-Japan, EU Canada*)

From reactive disease management to proactive, anticipatory care

Active & Healthy Living concept



The new value chain to build on for the Action Plan

PRIMARY ACTIVITIES

IDENTIFICATION OF HEALTH NEEDS
ENVIRONMENTAL CONTEXT
TARGETED INNOVATIVE SOLUTIONS

SSR, Community, third sector

SECONDARY ACTIVITIES

TRAINING
DIGITAL AND HEALTH EMPOWERMENT
EPIDEMIOLOGY

Medicine, Architecture, Engineering, Veterinary, Agriculture & Food, Human Sciences, Music

SUPPORT ACTIVITIES

HUMAN RESOURCES COORDINATION FOR SERVICES AND MONITORING
LOGISTICS, SPACES, EQUIPMENT
ADMINISTRATION

Management, process organization, control and monitoring, economic management

INTEGRATED DIGITAL SYSTEM

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Action Plans

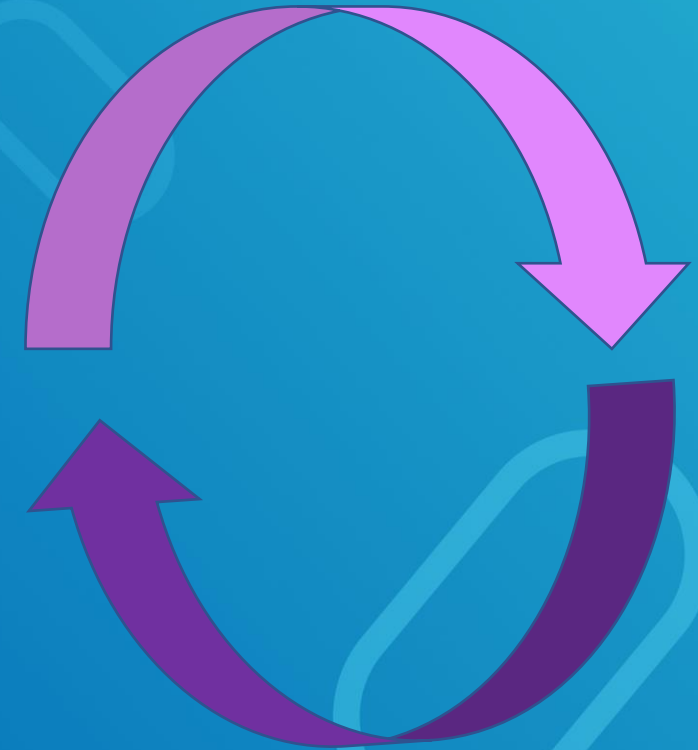
- Drafted & updated in the framework of Active and Healthy Living
- Identify overarching objectives & activities
- Update & valorise results & achievements
- Identify supporting tools to collaborative activities

TWGs are pivotal to improve project engagement

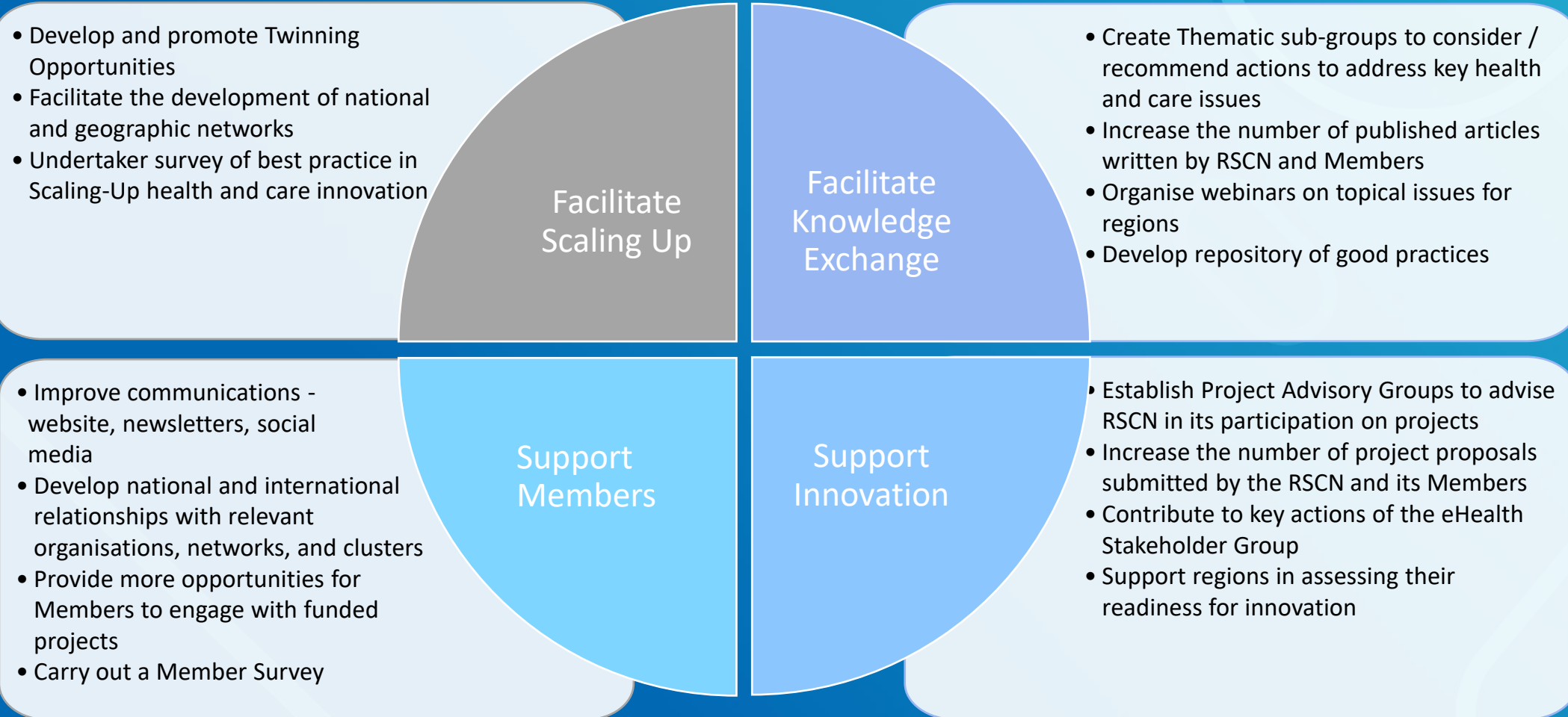
- Connect with regional priorities
- Support interdisciplinarity across themes
- Strengthen capacity to respond to funding calls for Thematic Working Groups & RSCN
- Contribute to RSCN Dissemination and Communication Strategy and link to local Dissemination and Communication Plans
- Other (free keywords)

Interactive approach to promote innovation

- Contribution to projects: shared priorities
- Webinars: identify upcoming topics & related timing
- Twinning opportunities (DHU)
- Joint Publications
- Workshops & conferences (e.g. Metroxraine, AgeingFit, AMEU...)



Contribution of TWG to update the RSCN strategic Objectives 2020 - 2023



THANK YOU

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