

Memorandum of Understanding

Between

EuroScan International Information Network on New and Emerging Health Technologies



And

Health Technology Assessment International



Health Technology Assessment international

An International Society for the Promotion of Health Technology Assessment

1.0 Preamble:

The purpose of this Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) is to set a framework of co-operation between EuroScan International Information Network on New and Emerging Health Technologies (EuroScan International Network) and Health Technology Assessment international (HTAi) to support information exchange and collaborative work related to the identification and assessment of new and emerging technologies.

Recognising that EuroScan International Network is a collaborative network of member agencies for the exchange of information on important new and emerging drugs, devices, diagnostics, procedures, programs, and settings in health care. The long-term aim of EuroScan International Network is to support the permanent and ongoing exchange of information on emerging technologies, evaluation of information sources for identification, sharing of applied methods, and dissemination of information on early identification and assessment activities.

Recognising that HTAi works to support and promote the development, communication, understanding and use of health technology assessment (HTA) around the world, as a scientifically based and multidisciplinary means of informing decision making regarding the introduction of effective innovations and the efficient use of resources in health care. With members from close to 60 countries around the world, HTAi is the only international society dedicated to the promotion and development of HTA.

Accordingly, EuroScan International Network and HTAi agree to engage in co-operative efforts in the following areas:

2.0 Joint Promotion

EuroScan International Network and HTAi agree that:

- In order to enhance the dissemination of knowledge about the work of their respective organisations, they will provide joint recognition of each other on their respective websites, as well as direct linkages between those sites where appropriate.
- Relevant information resources available on their respective websites will be linked so they are accessible through both sites.
- They will include guest editorials in their respective newsletters from time to time.

3.0 Participation in and support of joint activities

In order to support their joint and independent aims, EuroScan International Network and HTAi agree to:

- Support the established Disinvestment and Early Awareness Interest Sub-Group (ISG), which acts as a forum for information sharing and collaborative work between members of the respective organizations.
- Co-operate, as appropriate and where feasible, on other projects aimed at realising their respective missions.
- Provide a meeting room free of charge for the EuroScan International Network at the HTAi Annual Meeting

4.0 Responsibilities

Each Party will appoint a person to serve as the official contact and co-ordinate the activities in carrying out this MoU. The initial appointees of each organisation are:

Head of Secretariat, EuroScan International Network

Managing Director, HTAi

5.0 Terms of Understanding

The term of this MoU is for a period of three years and will come into effect when signed and dated below. It may be extended upon written mutual agreement. It shall be reviewed at least annually to ensure that it is fulfilling its purpose and to make any necessary revisions. Either organisation may terminate this MoU upon sixty (60) days written notice without penalties or liabilities.

6.0 Authorisation

The signing of this MoU is not a formal undertaking. It implies that the signatories will strive to reach, to the best of their ability, the objectives stated within.

On behalf of the organisation I represent, I wish to sign this MoU.

Name: Roberta Joppi

Title: Chair



Organisation: EuroScan International Information Network on New and Emerging Health Technologies

Signature

Date

15.6.2015

Name: Carole Longson

Title: President

Organisation: Health Technology Assessment international

Signature

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