



The European Association of Healthcare IT Managers

The European Association of Healthcare IT Managers (HITM) is a non-profit organisation outlined as the pan-European umbrella association of all relevant national healthcare IT associations in Europe. Believing in the fundamental importance of unifying healthcare IT professionals at European and global levels, HITM is committed to increasing the professional authority and responsibility of healthcare IT managers and representing their interests to international institutions and associations. HITM is strategically based in Brussels, for easy access to the European institutions and associations. "Healthcare IT Management" journal is the Official voice of the European Association of Healthcare IT Managers.

HITM's Mission

- To establish common healthcare IT standards, best practices, cross-border collaboration, unifying policies and strategies at EU & international levels.
 - To increase the visibility, role and importance of IT management in healthcare facilities.
 - To educate key policy-makers, industry players and the general public of the benefits of healthcare IT. □
- To promote the cross-collaboration of various healthcare sectors. □
- To promote the efficient, cost-effective use of IT.

HITM is combating fragmentation □

HITM unifies the heavily fragmented healthcare IT managers sector. □ This attempt was urgently needed because: □

- There was no representation of the interests of healthcare IT managers on a pan-European level. □
- There is a need for common standards, best practices, unified policies and cross-border collaboration. □
- HITM offers the only relevant pan-European communications platform for all stakeholders in healthcare IT, providing the sector the possibility to share knowledge.

HITM's Activities

□ HITM has invited all relevant national stakeholder communities to participate and support this much needed venture. Our membership end of 2008 was in excess of 8,000. To counter

fragmentation and to allow communication with our members Healthcare IT Management, the Official Voice of HITM was set up and is now in its fourth year.

IT @ NETWORKING AWARDS 2009 (IT @ 2009)

The event will take place in Brussels, the center of European decision making from the 29 - 30 October 2009. IT @ 2009 accepts every project already implemented in at least one site in all areas relevant to healthcare IT such e-Health, Radiology, Cardiology, Laboratory, IT Integration amongst many others and can deal with integration, interoperability between hospital and primary care, quality issues, data security, outsourcing of IT, education and qualification enhancement, etc.

Further information can be obtained on: www.hitm.eu