

CALL FOR PAPERS AND PARTICIPATION

EFMI Special Topic Conference - Reykjavík, Iceland, 2-4 June 2010

Seamless Care - Safe Care The Challenges of Interoperability and Patient Safety in Health Care

We invite you to participate in the "EFMI Special Topic Conference 2010" in Reykjavík, Iceland, on 2–4 June 2010.

The theme of the STC 2010, the only conference broadly dedicated to health informatics in Europe in the year of the MEDINFO, is Seamless Care – Safe Care: the Challenges of Interoperability and Patient Safety in Health Care.

The conference's objective is to bring to light the different aspects of interoperability and its implications for patient safety for distributed health services. It brings together various professionals that are investigating, developing and implementing solutions to meet the challenges of trustworthy electronic exchange of health information and the added value and benefits that this can bring to the quality and safety of patient care.

The EU recommendation of 2008 on cross-border interoperability of electronic health record systems sets the goal to achieve European eHealth interoperability by the end of 2015. European countries are invited to undertake actions at five levels: the political level, the organisational level, the technical level, the semantic level and the level of education and awareness raising. Participants are invited to reflect on those aspects as well as other related and important topics.

Traceability as important service for interoperability and especially safety will be highlighted in the conference by a special workshop jointly organized by HL7 and GS1. Therefore and beside others, the EFMI Working Groups "Electronic Health Records", "Security, Safety and Ethics" and "Traceability" are especially engaged in this STC.

Besides keynotes and the presentation of invited or submitted papers, the conference aims to encourage various forms of contributions such as workshops representing a project status, lessons learned and further strategies or expert panel discussions on a certain subject. Individual participants and organizations are encouraged to submit research as well as practice papers reflecting this perspective.

All papers will be reviewed by the Scientific Program Committee. Accepted contributions will be grouped in papers indexed in PubMed and others not indexed.

All accepted papers will be published in the Conference Proceedings.

The conference addresses, but not limited to, the following topics

Electronic Health Records – Personal Health Records – Traceability
Security, Privacy, Safety, Quality, Interoperability Standards – Process and Systems Evaluation – Device Integration
Patient safety and Continuity of care – Patient Empowerment – Patient Satisfaction

The EFMI Special Topic Conference 2010 will be the only activity of the international medical informatics community in that year in Europe. This gives among others individuals and groups not being able to make the MEDINFO 2010 Conference in Capetown a platform for representing and discussing relevant health informatics topics.

Important dates:

Deadline for the submission of paper	4 January 2010
Notification of acceptance	2 March 2010
Resubmission of accepted papers	7 April 2010
Conference	2 – 4 June 2010

For more information please look at the conference website at www.sky.is or contact the Scientific Program Committee.

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