Mining Well-being Data for Better Care: Eleven Forerunner Countries in Europe

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Activities during the last 2.5 years

- **5** Study trips
- **15** International events
- **2** International reviews and reports
- **1** International round table meeting
- **1** Nordic-Baltic meeting
- **3** National Initiatives Network Skype meetings
National Initiatives Network
The secondary use of well-being data

50 people

11 countries

29 organisations

Finland, Netherlands, Estonia, Ireland, Sweden, Scotland, Denmark, England, Switzerland, Australia, Norway
What's happening in other countries?
Curiosity

Boosts achievement
Expands our empathy
Makes us happier

Helps strengthen relationships
Improves healthcare
Makes our brains more receptive for learning
OVERVIEW ON 11 COUNTRIES
Health-RI research infrastructure is a joint effort of Dutch infrastructure providers to establish a single service centre for personalised medicine and health research. It provides researchers with a data catalogue, ethical and legal advice, IT tools and FAIRification training.

- Published business plan
- Plans to operationalise and become an own legal entity
Finland

The Digital Health HUB enabled by the new Act on the secondary use of health and social data. One-stop shop which offers permits, advisory and access to data for research, development and innovations

- Governmental support
- Temporary steering group and sub groups led by the Ministry of Social Affairs and Health are in action since January 2018

Risk factor

Legislation not passing or postponed

Cool factor

Innovative legislation (GDPR proof)
United Kingdom
(Scotland, Wales, England)

- The cancer registry in England
- UK Secure e-Research Platform (UKSeRP) in Wales
  - High-powered data management and sharing technology
  - Secure platform for managing, sharing and combining data
  - Based on the SAIL Databank, which has been in operation for 10 years
- Projects In Scotland
  - Developing national patient level costing data system
  - High Gains Individuals project
Ireland

The Health Research Board is building a management model for research on healthcare according to the DASSL model.

- Approved funding for a proof of concept

Ireland received 1st place in EU Open Data Maturity Assessment Initiative
Denmark

Five regions (Danske Regioner) work together with the government to establish a data entry point and regional data support centres where researchers can get advice on data access and projects.

Copenhagen Healthtech Cluster established a public-private partnership under the Data Saves Lives initiative with three specific proposed solutions: 1) national data map (metadata catalogue), 2) data entry point and 3) data sandboxes.

Risk factor

- Legislation framework

Cool factor

- High trust in government
Estonia

**Building a state-level data integration and analysis platform** to allow SME’s and scientists to process large amounts of pseudonymised well-being data to create solutions that give more healthy years to people.

- Political initiative is under preparation to establish Digital Innovation Estonia, a single point contact to coordinate different cooperation initiatives related to secondary use of data
- Planned establishment in 2019
Secondary use of the Australian My Health Record – a consolidated electronic health record system.

Planning phase is underway, and it is expected that data will be made available for medical and research purposes by 2020.

Governance is based upon the SAIL model in Wales.

Risk factor
Interoperability and public trust

Cool factor
Active cooperation
**Switzerland**

**Swiss Personalised Health Network** promotes personalised medicine and health. It creates a dynamic network of existing data sources and funds to make them interoperable nationwide.

Collaboration agreements signed with all 5 university hospitals. 15 projects funded in the first call for proposals.

Setup of a Data Coordination Center and BioMedIT platform

**Risk factor**

Several languages

**Cool factor**

Funding and resources, Ethical Framework for Responsible Data Processing
The Swedish Research Council works to improve access to register data for research purposes. Register Utiliser Tool (RUT) was developed to search and match metadata both in and between registers.
Norway

Norwegian health data program improves the secondary use of health data with a primary focus on health registries and RWE.

- Four projects including work on realising a national health analysis platform
- Entering execution phase
- FAIR-mapping of health registries have started
WHAT HAVE WE LEARNED SO FAR?
We all have the same challenges
1. Interoperability between different IT systems
2. Public trust – how to maintain it or gain it
3. Siloes and culture in not sharing the data
4. Bureaucratic and non-transparent data infrastructure
5. Fragmentation of data sources
6. Legal framework
We all have the **same** challenges

We all have the **same** goals and objectives
All countries want to use their data reserves in a more agile manner than at present.
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We don’t need to innovate everything ourselves
We can learn from each other

Different countries have different strengths
Netherlands | Marketing

UK | Public engagement

#datasaveslives
People collaborate.
Not organisations.
BENEFITS OF COOPERATION
1. Speed up innovation
2. Attract investment and companies to Europe
3. Strength in unity
It doesn’t matter how you start, as long as you start.
National Initiatives Network

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Two active subgroups:

1. Synthetic data
2. Metadata
Be curious, learn from others and you will succeed!

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