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## Highlighting EHTEL's work with Momentum in assisting Europe to be market-ready

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On 10<sup>th</sup> April 2018 in Brussels, the European Commission launched the **Innovation Radar platform**, with Ministers and Members of the European Parliament in attendance.

<https://ec.europa.eu/digital-single-market/en/news/launch-eus-innovation-radar-getting-innovations-market-faster>

This new platform will help develop a dynamic ecosystem of incubators, entrepreneurs, funding agencies, and investors that can get EU-funded innovations to market faster. As a first step, high-quality projects are now visible and accessible to the public in just one place. The key thrust is to encourage projects to be as **market-ready** as possible.

The launch of the platform was an important one for **EHTEL**. The event recognized as a “key innovator” – in its “Exploration” category – the **Momentum** project that the association coordinated between 2012-2015. Momentum is a collaborative tool for guiding stakeholders in scaling-up digital services. It is one of the close to 400 health and care-related projects selected for recognition. <https://www.innoradar.eu/innovation/1790> .

**More on Momentum at [www.telemedicine-momentum.eu](http://www.telemedicine-momentum.eu).**

**EHTEL** and **EHTELconnect** used the Momentum tool to assist the Scottish Government's national Technology Enabled Care programme to identify the country's state-of-readiness for digital health and care at <http://www.ehtel.eu/ehtelconnect/ect-use-case-scotland>.

Among the members and associates of EHTEL active in Momentum were:

- NHS 24 – the Scottish Centre for Telehealth,
- the Norwegian Centre for E-health Research,
- Odense University Hospital,
- TicSalut, and
- the International Association of Mutual Benefit Societies (AIM).

EHTEL continues to work on this and similar advances in support of European innovators and researchers and in scaling-up pilots to deployment.

On hearing this good news, John Crawford, EHTEL President, stated: *“EHTEL is very proud of this recognition, which pays tribute to the innovative and ground-breaking work done by its members and aligned organisations. We are pleased to be part of this continent-wide effort to show citizens the many excellent technological and scientific advances delivered by innovators around Europe. EHTEL is exploring how to facilitate Momentum to go further and encourage even more organisations to be market-ready.”*

## Note for editors

Launched in 1999, EHTEL is the original multi-stakeholder organisation in Europe that brings together organisations and individuals engaged in all aspects of eHealth. Its unique structure enables the exchange of ideas and information leading to innovation and improvement in the delivery of eHealth solutions and the transformation of health and social care. **EHTELconnect** is a service package developed by implementers and for implementers. facilitates a common multi-stakeholder understanding of implementation projects and a self-assessment of implementation successes and challenges.

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Figure: Momentum project graphic

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