



Dear colleagues

On 24 March, our Executive Committee met prior to the Board and General Assembly in Brussels, where we agreed on the responsibilities of the Vice Presidents and we are delighted that Dr Marily Passakiotou will be responsible for Professional Practice and Dr Jacqueline Rossant-Lumbroso will lead a newly constituted policy cluster entitled 'Principles, Patients and Ethics'.

During the meetings we received real-time updates as our first delivery of aid arrived in the Ukraine, and our collaboration with WMA and EFMA will continue with a second delivery being planned. Furthermore, on 6 April we were delighted to jointly host the hybrid event '[Challenges of health data in Europe – Are We Preparing? Building trust – Enabling Science](#)' with the Conseil National de l'Ordre des Médecins (CNOM) within the context of the French Presidency of the Council of the European Union.

We hope you find this edition of the Bulletin informative.

Dr Christiaan Keijzer
CPME President



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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING – 24 MARCH 2022

Internal Affairs

Statutes

- ▶ The Executive Committee revised the second draft of the revised CPME Statutes and agreed with the general direction of the proposed changes.

EC members agreed with the timeline and consultation process with members, including a special session in May. The final draft Statutes will be sent to members three months ahead of the CPME General Assembly on 29 October in Prague, where it is planned to be adopted.

Contribution Key

- ▶ The Executive Committee decided to suggest that the Board does not to change the current system of reporting the number of doctors for the purpose of calculating the contribution key.

EC members discussed the preliminary results of a survey on the term “registered doctors” and whether using EUROSTAT, WHO or OECD terminologies and definitions for “practicing doctors”, “professionally active doctors” and “doctors licensed to practice” could bring more consistency to the reporting of the number of doctors by CPME members. It was agreed that given the different approach in counting doctors within these categories, their use is unlikely to bring greater clarity for the purpose of calculating the contribution key.

Vice President distribution

- ▶ The Executive Committee agreed that Dr Marily Passakiotou supervises Professional Practice and Dr Jacqueline Rossant-Lumbroso is allocated to a newly constituted policy cluster entitled ‘Principles, Patients and Ethics’

‘Principles, Patients and Ethics will cover patients’ rights dossiers and the dossiers under the former EU political outlook cluster.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING – 24 MARCH 2022

Priorities and Rapporteurs

- ▶ The Executive Committee decided on policy priorities and the distribution of WG chairs and rapporteurs.

The EC reviewed the proposals for policy priorities as prepared by the Secretariat and the current distribution of WG chairs and rapporteurs. The EC decided the following:

- The topic of health inequalities will be shared in both the Professional Practice and the Public Health and Disease Prevention clusters, in particular in relation to the dissemination of the new CPME policy adopted in March 2022.
- To create a specific rapporteur on interoperability, due to the increased activity in this area (e.g. the development of the EHRxF, the expansion of myhealth@eu and the new architecture infrastructure to be financed by the Commission for the secondary use of data). The EC further agreed to appoint Prof. Dr. Georgios Raptis as rapporteur due to his de facto work in the area.
- To look for rapporteurs on the various topics within the pharmaceutical dossier, which are currently covered by Prof. Ludwig as Chair of the WG Pharmaceuticals.

Finances

Budget planning 2023 and 2024

- ▶ The Executive Committee decided to recommend to the General Assembly to take note that the overall contributions (i.e. the endpoint in the budget) will be lifted in 2023 by €100,000 followed by a further increase of €50,000 in 2024 should this be necessary.

In addition, a scheme of automatic indexation of income will be explored for 2024.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING – 24 MARCH 2022

Policies

Magnet4Europe

- ▶ The Executive Committee decided not to become a member of the Magnet4Europe (M4E) stakeholder committee as the topic is out of CPME's scope and policy agenda.

CPME was contacted by the M4E project which examines whether implementing the U.S. Magnet® model, that aims to improve hospital work organisation/environments, can be transferred to European hospitals and improve staff wellbeing.

EU4Health call for CPD programmes for doctors on skills

- ▶ The Executive Committee took note on the CPME's preparations to participate in a project dedicated to organising training for healthcare professionals.

CPME, along with FVE, CDE and PGEU, is assessing the possibility of getting involved in a project, which could be an extension of the organisations' ongoing activities in promoting interprofessional collaboration in the One Health approach. CPME is also in contact with Aristotle University of Thessaloniki, which is likely to become the project coordinator, and with Prof. Kuhn (CPME rapporteur on digital competences) who can provide his expertise in organising trainings on digital skills. UEMS has also expressed its interest in participating in a project. All interested organisations will attend a workshop on 5 April to discuss the possibility of cooperation and the scope of the project.

Europe's Beating Cancer Plan

- ▶ The Executive Committee took note that CPME's application to the European Commission's thematic group "Prevention" of the Stakeholder Contact Group on the Europe's Beating Cancer Plan was successful.

CPME will be able to provide input to the Commission on the implementation of the Cancer Plan and the Horizon Europe Cancer Mission in areas under the remit of the thematic group.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING – 24 MARCH 2022

Administrative fines against Norwegian doctors

- ▶ The Norwegian Medical Association requested support from CPME to oppose the introduction of administrative fines against individual doctors under a revision of the national scheme relating to 'blue prescriptions'.

CPME was requested to adopt a statement, for which a first draft was provided. The EC agreed to forward the request to the CPME Board with the recommendation to adopt a statement despite not having been circulated three weeks in advance as stipulated by CPME rules. It was also agreed to consult the Session on Professional Practice. The adopted statement is available [here](#).

Ukraine Medical Help Fund delivers first aid

At the end of March, an order worth €569,880 including essential medicines, training equipment, and medical equipment was delivered to Lviv, Ukraine. The order was made possible by the [Ukraine Medical Help Fund](#), a collaborative initiative set up by the World Medical Association (WMA), the European Forum of Medical Associations (EFMA) and CPME.

This first order of medical supplies was made with the assistance of the Israeli Medical Association, who coordinated sourcing suppliers, negotiating prices and organising its delivery. Prof. Leonid Eidelman, Past President of WMA, accompanied the aid to Poland to ensure its release from customs and travelled to Lviv, Ukraine to oversee its arrival at the warehouse of the Ukrainian Medical Association.

The items were received at the warehouse by Prof. Andiry Bazylevych of the Ukrainian Medical Association. Prof. Bazylevych is working with the Ukrainian Ministry of Health to ensure that they are distributed to the areas in most critical need.

While in Ukraine, Prof. Eidelman and Prof. Bazylevych evaluated the ongoing needs and prepared an updated list of medical supplies required. The taskforce is now working to procure these in preparation for a second shipment to our colleagues in Ukraine.

The Ukraine Medical Help Fund was established following a request for assistance from our colleagues at the Ukrainian Medical Association. Many medical associations stepped up with offers for assistance both financially and logistically. This fund is primarily intended to purchase medical supplies that are in urgent need in Ukraine. The funds may also be redistributed to our partners in Poland, Slovakia and other bordering countries in order to help our Ukrainian colleagues or the medical help for refugees from Ukraine. More information on how to donate is available [here](#).

On 21 March, UMA sent a [letter](#) expressing their sincere gratitude for the support of European doctors since the first days of the war in Ukraine .

European doctors discuss the challenges of health data

On 6 April, the hybrid event '[Challenges of health data in Europe – Are We Preparing? Building trust – Enabling Science](#)' was jointly organised by the Conseil National de l'Ordre des Médecins (CNOM) within the context of the French Presidency of the Council of the European Union.

In January, the French Presidency of the Council of the European Union published [European principles for ethics in digital health](#), which are at the heart of the roadmap for digital health for the next three years, feeding into future European regulation on the creation of a [European Health Data Space](#), which is a key objective of the EU.

During this event expert speakers and panelists addressed the inclusion of digital health in a framework of ethical values and discussed what tools are needed to safeguard doctors' data and protect patients' personal data. A report will shortly be available.

President speaks at ministerial conference on European ethical principles for digital health

On 2 February, President Christiaan Keijzer was invited to speak at [a ministerial conference](#) held by the French Presidency on "Citizenship, Ethics and Health Data". The event presented and formalised a set of European values and principles which will condition the development of digital health in Europe and are set to be the pillars of the future European Health Data Space. Further information [here](#) (introduction) and [here](#) (ethical principles).

The [eHealth Network](#), which was responsible for implementing the EU COVID certificate, approved the 16 principles and will propose ways to implement them at its meeting in Paris on 1 and 2 June 2022. The Secretariat is considering proposing some comments, highlighting the medical ethical point of view.

Statements and positions adopted

A policy on [Health Inequalities](#) and statements on [Independent Healthcare Delivery](#) and [Value in Pharmaceutical Pricing](#) were adopted during the Board meeting on 26 March. Each will be publicised following the Easter holidays. A further [statement](#) on administrative fines against doctors was adopted and sent to the Norwegian Parliament.

Empowerment in Health and Care Conference

On 13–14 June, the Centre for Empowering Patients and Communities (CEmPaC) organises a conference exploring the core themes of empowerment in health and social care and some cutting-edge practices. CPME is represented in the CEmPaC Advisory Board by Dr Katrín Fjeldsted. Please find more information and link to register [here](#).

Kosovo* Doctors Chamber unveils statue to commemorate healthcare professionals' efforts and sacrifices

On 16 February 2022, the Kosovo* Doctors Chamber together with the representative chambers of other healthcare professionals unveiled a statute to commemorate healthcare professionals' efforts and sacrifices during the COVID-19 pandemic. Dr Pleurat Sjediu called to establish a national memorial day on 16 February. The obelisk is located in the Kosovo* University Clinical Center. Please find more information [here](#).

- *References to Kosovo are without prejudice to positions on status. They are in line with United Nations Security Council Resolution 1244/1999 and the opinion by the International Court of Justice on the Kosovo declaration of independence.*

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Ukraine

Recommendation on recognition of fleeing doctors' qualifications

The European Commission has published a [recommendation on the recognition of qualifications for people fleeing Russia's invasion of Ukraine](#). It confirms that persons granted temporary protection are eligible for a residence permit, welfare support and healthcare, as well as access to housing, education and employment. In relation to the healthcare professions benefitting from automatic recognition, such as doctors, the recommendation highlights Member States' obligation to not recognise any qualification held by EU or non-EU citizens unless the minimum training conditions are met. However, it also emphasises the need to find pragmatic solutions to enable recognition within these parameters. To this end, the recommendation sets out proposals to facilitate the process, such as abolishing fees, allowing digital copies of documents, reducing the number of required documents to the necessary, dispensing with translation requests and creating fast track processes to reduce waiting times. With regard to compensating measures to bridge differences in qualifications, the recommendation proposes to explore applicants' inclusion in fast-track training programmes, consider their involvement e.g. in Ukrainian field hospitals set up in EU Member States, and develop specific up-skilling programmes. Reference is also made to the [guidance issued during the COVID-19 pandemic](#), which suggests involving professionals in roles which equate to a different status than that of a full member of the profession, for example as healthcare assistants. A summary can be found [here](#).

European Commission sets up "Stand Up For Ukraine" campaign to channel contributions

The ["Stand Up For Ukraine" campaign](#) seeks to mobilise governments, institutions, artists, companies and individuals to direct funding to support humanitarian efforts in Ukraine and neighbouring countries and offer relief to the millions of people needing urgently assistance.

Pledging of resources can take the form of financial contributions or other types of support, including in-kind donations of vital items, requested by Ukrainian government, such as medicines, vaccines, medical equipment, tents, beds and emergency blankets.

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Ukraine

EU Parliament agrees €3.4 billion to address Ukrainian refugees' needs

The European Parliament [agreed](#) to immediately release around €3.4 billion euros from the ["REACT-EU" funds](#) and to speed up EU governments' access to funds to pay for infrastructure, housing, equipment, employment, education, social inclusion, healthcare and childcare for refugees. EU countries bordering Ukraine (Hungary, Poland, Romania and Slovakia) and those that have received a significant number of refugees equivalent to more than 1% of their national population (Austria, Bulgaria, Czechia and Estonia) can immediately get 45% (rather than 11%) of their recovery funds without any invoices to be presented at this time.

10,000 hospital beds available for Ukrainian refugees

On 23 March, the European Commission published a [press release](#) outlining the actions being taken to support Member States in meeting the needs of those fleeing the war against Ukraine. People in urgent need of specialised hospital care can be promptly transported between Member States for such treatments thanks to a solidarity mechanism established by the Commission, with 10,000 beds currently available. The ECDC keeps track of the health situation and has developed guidelines for infectious disease prevention and control. The Commission also promotes vaccine supply through HERA, with a special focus on children immunisation. It will take specific efforts to provide people, fleeing the war with mental health and trauma support.

WHO & partners ensure supply of ARV's for people living with HIV in Ukraine

WHO, the United States President's Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief (PEPFAR), Ukrainian authorities and partners are [ensuring](#) the supply of antiretroviral drugs (ARVs), covering most of the needs of every single person known to be living with HIV in Ukraine for the next 12 months. The plan ensures the procurement of 209,000 packs of the antiretroviral drug TLD (tenofovir, lamivudine and dolutegravir).

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Council of the European Union

Employment, Social Policy, Health and Consumer Affairs Council meeting (Health)

On 29 March, 2022, the Employment, Social Policy, Health and Consumer Affairs Council held a [meeting](#). Among other things, they discussed the humanitarian situation in Ukraine, where the establishment of a solidarity framework for the transfer of Ukrainian patients, access to infectious disease immunization for children, and mental health initiatives were discussed. The Ministers were also briefed on the ongoing negotiations between the Council and the European Parliament to reach an agreement on a shared position on the proposed regulation on Serious cross-border threats to health. The chair highlighted that the major points requiring further discussion include the link between the text and the missions of HERA, information expected from Member States on medical countermeasure stocks and mapping of production capacities on these countermeasures. The exclusivity clause of the joint procurement procedure also remains a point of contention. The ministers also discussed the proposed international treaty on pandemics as well as the EU's strategy on COVID-19 vaccine solidarity.

Council agrees to extension of regulation establishing the EU Digital COVID Certificate

On the 11th of March, the Permanent Representatives Committee (COREPER) formally [endorsed](#) the Council's negotiating mandate with the European Parliament to extend the Regulation establishing the EU Digital COVID Certificate. The Council has made a few changes to the Commission's proposal including an obligation for the Commission to submit a detailed report by the 1st of February 2023, the possibility for Member States to request proof of identity and a vaccination or recovery certificate. Lastly, with the new amendments, there is also a possibility to issue a certificate of recovery following an antigen test.

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European Commission

Save the date: Conference on new Health Technology Assessment (HTA) regulation

On 22 June 2022, the European Commission is [organizing](#) a conference on the newly adopted Regulation (EU) 2021/2282 on Health Technology Assessment (HTA) in Brussels. During this conference the Commission will explain their plans for the implementation of this new legal framework and will ask Member State authorities, HTA bodies, health professionals, etc for feedback. There will be a plenary session hosted by Commissioner Stella Kyriakides, MEP Tiemo Wölken, and representatives from the French and Portuguese Presidencies.

Commission strengthens partnership with WHO on access to vaccines and health technologies in Sub-Saharan Africa

The European Commission and WHO [commit](#) to improve equitable access to safe, effective, and quality-assured vaccines, medicines and health technologies in Sub-Saharan Africa. The EU–WHO partnership will assist the African Union in reaching its target of increasing local vaccine production, in Africa and for Africa with the EU making a financial contribution of €24.5 million to support three main categories of action including regulatory strengthening (€11.5 million), technology transfer (€12 million), and demand consolidation and strategic purchasing (€1 million).

EU provides new revocation function for digital COVID certificates

The Commission has [approved](#) an EU procedure for canceling false and incorrect EU Digital COVID certificates on 21 March, 2022. When a certificate is revoked in one Member State, it becomes invalid in all other Member States as well. Some Member States have already implemented revocation systems at national level. The new EU system will enable safe and efficient cross-border revocation through the EU Gateway.

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European Commission

European Commission calls for best practices in prevention and management of NCDs

As part of the 'Healthier Together'– EU non-communicable disease initiative, the European Commission is [calling for best practices](#) in the prevention and management of non-communicable diseases. The Commission encourages governmental and non-governmental organizations to submit best practice suggestions through the EU best practice portal by 15 May 2022.

European Medicines Agency

ECDC and EMA issue advice on 4th dose of mRNA COVID-19 vaccines

The ECDC and EMA's COVID-19 task force [concluded](#) that it's too early to consider using a fourth dose of mRNA COVID-19 vaccines in the general population. However, both agencies agreed a fourth dose can be given to adults 80 years of age and above after reviewing data on the higher risk of severe COVID-19 in this age group and the protection provided by a fourth dose.

EMA establishes Cancer Medicines Forum to optimise cancer treatments in clinical practice

The EMA in collaboration with the European Organization for Research and Treatment of Cancer has [launched](#) the Cancer Medicines Forum. The forum brings together representatives from academic organizations and the European medicines regulatory network with the aim of advancing research into optimizing cancer treatments and fostering high standards of cancer care in the European Union. The Cancer Medicines Forum has already met to discuss challenges around the research into optimization of treatments such as dose-optimization.

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European Parliament

MEPs announced in the newly formed COVID committee

The European Parliament has [published](#) the names of the 38 MEPs to be included in the newly formed COVID committee. EPP will have 10 members including Esther de Lange, Deirdre Clune and Luisa Regimenti. S&D will have 8 members including Sara Cerdas, Renew will have 6 members including Veronique Trillet-Lenoir and Chrysoula Zacharopoulou.

WHO – WHO/Europe

WHO/Europe – ECDC joint press release on serious threat of tuberculosis

The ECDC and WHO/Europe have [released](#) a [report](#) on tuberculosis surveillance and monitoring in Europe, noting a 24% drop in reported tuberculosis cases between 2019 and 2020 being exacerbated by the COVID-19 pandemic. A 25% reduction in estimated number of tuberculosis cases in the WHO European Region between 2015 and 2020 was also observed, exceeding the End TB Strategy milestone of 20% drop over this five year period. However, deaths from tuberculosis plateaued for the first time in 2 decades between 2019 and 2020.

WHO publishes report on taxation of sugar sweetened beverages

WHO/Europe [published](#) a new report on "[Sugar-sweetened beverage taxes in the WHO European Region](#)" which examines the experience of 10 Member States who have implemented such taxes. The report concludes that by introducing taxes on sugary drinks, countries can reduce consumption of these beverages and lower the associated risks of overweight and obesity, diabetes and other associated diseases.

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Vaccination

Webinar: Building Healthcare Professionals' Confidence in COVID-19 Vaccination in Europe

On 4 May, the Vaccine Confidence Project of the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine organises a webinar on building healthcare professionals' confidence in COVID-19 vaccination in Europe. It aims to present concerns that healthcare professionals have expressed, current actions some European countries are taking to increase vaccine confidence in healthcare professionals, and some of the tools that have helped increase their confidence in addressing patient vaccine hesitancy. Please find more information and a link to register [here](#).

New Eurobarometer: Attitudes on vaccination against COVID-19

On 31 March, a new Eurobarometer on attitudes on COVID-19 vaccines was published. It shows that Europeans are largely satisfied with the role of the EU in ensuring access to COVID-19 vaccines and have positive attitude towards vaccines. The results of this survey confirm the positive trends evidenced in the first survey on Attitudes to Vaccination against COVID-19, conducted in May 2021. Please find the report [here](#).

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e-Health**European Parliament report on Artificial Intelligence**

On 22 March, the European Parliament Special Committee on Artificial Intelligence in a Digital Age (AIDA) adopted its [final recommendations](#), concluding 18 months of inquiries. The text is non-binding but aims to establish an AI Roadmap until 2030. The report notes that the public debate on the use of artificial intelligence (AI) should focus on the potential to complement humans, and that the EU needs to act as a global standard-setter. MEPs identified policy options that could unlock AI's potential in health, on enhancing people's quality of life through personalised medicine, among others. For the Committee, the EU should not always regulate AI as a technology. The level of regulatory intervention should be proportionate to the type of risk associated with using an AI system in a particular way. CPME provided comments to the report which have been taken into account in the [final report](#), either by including precise wording or in the spirit of the text (ex. AI as a supportive role in healthcare, human oversight, need for ethical requirements compliance, consider risks of bias, need for new framework for liability risks, provide clear instructions to users/transparent information, personal data protection, etc. – see paragraphs 21–36). The report identifies the need to have legislation on neurological data. Overall, the text is in line with CPME policy. It will be put to a vote by the European Parliament plenary in May.

Digital Service Act: ban of targeted ads for minors agreed in principle

On 29 March, a trilogue on the Digital Service Act included a follow-up discussion on risk assessment and mitigation, and co-legislators moved closer to a deal on a ban of targeted ads for minors in the Digital Services Act. The French Presidency and Parliament agreed "on principle" on the necessity of adding rules to prohibit tech companies from tracking minors to serve them with advertisements and to use sensitive data such as religious and health information for targeted ads. Further information reported [here](#).

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Data Governance Act passes EU Parliament with large majority

The Data Governance Act was passed in the plenary of the EU Parliament on 6 April 2022 by 501 votes to 12 with 40 abstentions, as the beginning of a "digital policy turning point". Among other things, the regulation aims to create a notification and supervision framework for the provision of data brokering services. This is to make trustworthy data sharing services visible and provide them with a European label. In addition, the Data Governance Act regulates the further processing of certain categories of data by public bodies. Its purpose is to promote innovation by creating a single market for data. Compared to the EU Commission's original proposal for a regulation, trade secrets, professional secrets and company secrets are now also to be included in the categories of specially protected data. If these data are in the possession of public companies, the further use of the data is thus subject to special rules (Art. 3 para. 1 lit. a). After formal adoption in the Council, the Regulation will enter into force 20 days after publication in the Official Journal of the EU and will be directly applicable in all EU Member States 15 months later.

Commission proposes new rules to boost cybersecurity for EU institutions

On 22 March, the Commission proposed [new rules](#) to establish common cybersecurity and information security measures across the EU institutions, bodies, offices and agencies. The proposal aims to bolster their resilience and response capacities against cyber threats and incidents, as well as to ensure a resilient, secure EU public administration, amidst rising malicious cyber activities in the global landscape. Between 23 March to 18 May 2022 a [feedback period is opened](#) to comment on this proposal.

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European Health Data Space consultation results published

The Commission has published the [results](#) of an EU consultation on European Health Data Space (EHDS). The main change noted was the increase of methods for enabling the use of medical information for public health and research. 90% of respondents considered that ensuring that the infrastructure or personal digital storage is secure and preventing cyberattacks is the most appropriate for controlling access and sharing of health data with healthcare professionals. Around 70% of respondents supported the development of a digital infrastructure to exchange data and EU infrastructure in case of cross-border exchange.

Commission presents new study monitoring data flows in Europe

On 3 February, the Commission published a study mapping and estimating the volume of data flowing to main cloud infrastructures across the 27 Member States, Iceland, Norway, Switzerland and the UK. The study provides an overview of volume and types of cloud data inflows and outflows per economic sector, location, size of enterprises and type of cloud services. Policy and decision makers as well as business leaders and public administrations can use it as a reference point to support decision making towards future trade agreements, industrial decisions and cloud investments. A new methodology was developed to quantify data flows for the study. Results show that in 2020, the largest data flows came from the health sector, and Germany registered the largest volume of data inflow. The report also estimates that by 2030, the flow of data stemming from European enterprises will be 15 times higher than in 2020. A follow-up study started this year to assess the economic values of data inflows and outflows within the EU and third countries such as the US and China. Measuring data flows across Europe and beyond is one of the key actions foreseen by the European Strategy for Data. It will also feed into the evaluation of the EU Regulation on the Free Flow of Non-Personal Data, as well as for the cloud uptake target under the Digital Decade policy programme. You can find both the study as well as an online visualisation tool [here](#).

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European data authorities launch a joint investigation on the public sector's use of cloud

On 15 February, the European Data Protection Board (EDPB), the EU body that gathers all EU Data protection authorities to ensure coordinated enforcement of the GDPR privacy rules, decided to launch the first '[Coordinated Enforcement Framework](#)' (CEF). The EDPB together with 22 national supervisory authorities (SAs) (including EDPS) will launch investigations into the use of cloud-based services by the public sector. According to EuroStat, the cloud uptake by enterprises doubled across the EU in the last 6 years. The COVID-19 pandemic has sparked a digital transformation of organisations, with many public sector organisations turning to cloud technology. However, in doing so, public bodies at national and EU level may face difficulties in obtaining Information and Communication Technology products and services that comply with EU data protection rules. The EDPB will publish a report on the outcome of this analysis before the end of 2022. Please see [here](#).

Declaration on European Digital Rights and Principles

On 26 January, the European Commission proposed a [Declaration on European Digital Rights and Principles](#). The Declaration will take the form of a joint solemn declaration to be signed by the European Parliament, the Council, and the Commission. In essence, the Declaration intends to promote a digital transition that is shaped by European shared values and by a human-centric vision of technological change, working as a compass to ensure that fundamental rights are part of current and future digital policies. The Declaration does not create or restrict fundamental rights, which are otherwise already clearly established in the legally binding Charter of Fundamental Rights and the jurisprudence of the Court of Justice of the European Union and the European Court of Human Rights. Please see the Communication, Declaration and Staff Working Document on European digital principles [here](#).

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e-Health**TEHDAS Stakeholder Forum on 14 June**

On 14 June, the Joint Action Towards European Health Data Space (TEHDAS) invites stakeholders for a hybrid forum to report on the current state of the European Health Data Space (EHDS). We are expected to learn about the TEHDAS outcomes related to barriers and enablers of health data use, data quality and infrastructure as well as citizens' perspectives on sharing health data. TEHDAS is a project supporting the European Commission and Member States in developing a standardised internal market for health data. The work is contributing to the European Commission's next legislative proposal on the EHDS. The forum is an official pre-event of HIMSS European Health Conference, also taking place in Helsinki. The event is free, but registration is required in advance. For more information and registration please see [here](#).

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