

MEDITeHBEYOND

Digital Health Connection Beyond Mediterranean Boundaries

Preliminary Program

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Monastero dei Benedettini di San Nicolò l'Arena

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The **Mediterranean**, cradle of civilizations, crossroads of cultures and realities connected by the sea and by a history that unites them, is a paradigm of conjunction between East and West, North and South. It has a complex geopolitical and geostrategic role, as a space of political and anthropological mediation but also of cultural confrontation and, therefore, it is a resource from a global point of view.

The Covid-19 pandemic has made it clear that the health of an individual is the health of all, prompting the entire world to move increasingly towards a concept of collective and participatory health. **Technological, telemedicine and e-Health tools have proved to be fundamental** for the creation of a global health network capable of responding in a timely manner to emergencies, enabling distances to be bridged, geographical obstacles to be overcome and to navigate towards a shared growth.

The Mediterranean can be thought of as an element of aggregation to expand the horizons of innovation towards new progress models.

The summit aims **to spread knowledge on in countries the topics of digital innovation in healthcare and to implement telemedicine services bordering the Mediterranean basin:** an opportunity to meet and compare experiences, best practices and indications, identifying new tools and possibilities for the different socio-cultural context.

MEDITeH BEYOND was created to facilitate **meetings between institutions** (Ministries, Embassies), **companies** involved in the scientific-technological sector **in healthcare, scientific and technological research** (National Bodies, Research Institutes, Universities) from the countries of the enlarged Mediterranean.

In this context, Italy represents the land of political, cultural and human connection and Sicily is an ideal interchange territory to give support over time to this idea of shared progress in this field.

The Summit is meant to promote a cooperation model for a new development of digital health, thus "moving forward together".

The International Summit welcomes attendees from the clinical world, healthcare, e-health and telemedicine experts.

Attendees: HCPs, directors, representatives of the Mediterranean Countries (Embassies, Ministries, National Institutes for new technologies and research), ambassadors and sponsors among companies involved in developing and divulgating products/services and technological solutions (PSP tools, software, infrastructures, devices).

The conferences will be held in English and Italian.
Simultaneous translation will be provided in both languages.

The conferences will be live-streamed.

President of the Summit

Giovanni Castellaneta, *President of Diplomatia*

President of the Scientific Committee

Francesco Gabbrielli, *Director of National Centre for Telemedicine & New Healthcare Technologies (National Health Institute)*

Members of the Scientific Committee (preliminary)

- Marco Manca, *Co-founder and President SCImPULSE Foundation*
- Alberico Luigi Catapano, *Director Dept. Pharmacological and Biomolecular Sciences University of Milan*
- Rossana Berardi, *Director of the Medical Oncology Marche Polytechnic University*
- Francesco Franceschi, *Chief of Emergency Medicine, Fondazione Policlinico Universitario A. Gemelli IRCCS*
- Frederic Lievens, *President International Society for Telemedicine and eHealth (ISfTeH)*
- Giacomo Cuttone, *Coordinator of the Scientific Committee INFN for Life Science (INFN4LS)*

PROGRAM AND SPEAKERS IN PROGRESS

08.30

Opening: Summit presentation and opening

SESSION I

09.00-10.00

Institutional greetings from the Italian Authorities

Co-chairs: Amb. Giovanni Castellaneta, President Diplomatia

- Diplomatic Advisor to:
 - the Presidency of Council of Ministers
 - the Ministry of Health
 - the Ministry of Enterprises and Made in Italy
- MAECI Representative, Foreign Ministry Representative
- Hon. Simona Loizzo, President of the Interparliamentary Group on digital health
- Hon. Renato Schifani, President of the Sicilian Region
- Hon. Roberto Occhiuto, President of the Calabria Region
- Professor Francesco Priolo, Dean of the Catania University
- Enrico Trantino, Lawyer Major of Catania

SESSION II

10.00-12.30

Submission by diplomatic representatives of the participating countries

Co-chairs: Dr. Stefano Balsamo, Executive VP Diplomatia; Francesco Ago, Lawyer Senior VP Diplomatia; Amb. Mario Boffo (in progress)

Session organized by Diplomatia to be attended by countries of the enlarged Mediterranean area.
(Embassies and Companies are expected to participate)

SESSION III

12.30-13.30

Educational Webinar training dedicated to all healthcare experts - ECM Session -

Progress in life sciences in the digital era

Co-chairs: Professor Francesco Ubertini, President CINECA (in progress)

- The technologist's experience - Professor Silvio Micali, MIT's Electrical Engineering and Computer Science Department, Boston MA
- The bioresearcher's experience - Professor Alberico Luigi Catapano, Dept. Pharmacological and Biomolecular Sciences, University of Milan
- The bioethicist's experience - *Speakers TBC*

13.30-15.00

Light Lunch & Networking

SESSION IV

15.00-17.00

WORKSHOP: Digital technologies serving medical-scientific sectors: nowadays & in the future

Co-chairs: Professor Francesco Gabrielli, National Centre for Telemedicine & New Healthcare Technologies ISS;
(Other Speaker in progress)

With the active involvement of companies as speakers, three main topics

- I. Mobile-health solutions and the use of smartphones
- II. Digital technology to facilitate work in healthcare facilities
- III. Challenges for Data digitization in healthcare

- Professor Francesco Ubertini, President CINECA, Bologna
- Professor Massimo Massetti, Director Cardiac Surgery Unit, A. Gemelli General Hospital, Rome
- Professor Marco Manca, Co-founder and President SCIMPULSE Foundation, NH

17.15-17.30

Closing remarks

Take home message

17.30-19.30

B2B MEETINGS extra-time in the Dedicated Area

- **Networking time** with sponsors and exhibitors

19.30

Visit at United Libraries "Civica e A. Ursino Recupero"

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20.30

Gala Dinner

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SESSION I

09.00-11.30

WORKING GROUPS on medical issues in digital healthcare

Five working groups: analysis of the needs and realities around the Mediterranean in order to produce a position paper with transnational indications and proposals for the improvement of accessible and adequate digital health.

The groups will be composed of healthcare professionals and officials of the competent Ministries of the participating countries, to share needs, opportunities and problems of the country of origin regarding the digital evolution of health services.

SESSION II

11.30-13.00

WORKING GROUPS on research, technology transfer and sustainability in digital medicine

Five working groups: analysis of the perspectives in research development on eHealth and outlining the future objectives of healthcare digital innovations.

The groups will be composed of research institutes, universities, hospitals and companies from the participating countries to share experiences and research strategies

Every session ends with a ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSION

13.00-14.00

Light lunch

SESSION III

14.30-16.00

ROUND TABLE ON innovation

Exchange experiences: The NEW FRONTIERS

Topics of the Working Groups, 20 participants per group:

- **Treatment and prevention accessibility**
- **Management of biggest emergencies (pandemics, earthquakes, natural disasters)**
- **Protection of chronic patients: humanization, personalization, gender differences**
- **Care and rehabilitation in digital health**
- **Treatment and clinical research in oncology**
- **New frontiers**

SESSION I 09.00-11.30

WORKING GROUPS ON MEDICAL ISSUES IN DIGITAL HEALTHCARE

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| P1 | Treatment and prevention accessibility | |
| P2 | Management of biggest emergencies | |
| P3 | Protection of chronic patients | |
| P4 | Care and rehabilitation in digital health | |
| P5 | Treatment and clinical research in oncology | |

SESSION II 11.30-13.00

WORKING GROUPS ON RESEARCH, TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER, SUSTAINABILITY IN DIGITAL HEALTHCARE

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