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3rd stakeholder group meeting report

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Abstract

A report of the 3rd stakeholder group meeting in Vilnius, Lithuania

MEETING INFORMATION

Date: 16/03/2018

Time: 9.00 -13.00

Location: “Visoriai information technology park”, Mokslininkų st. 2A, Vilnius, Lithuania



PURPOSE AND BACKGROUND OF THE MEETING

Lithuanian Innovation Centre organized the 3rd Lithuania HoCare stakeholders meeting on 16th of March, 2017 in Vilnius. 16 representatives from all stakeholder groups – government and municipal institutions, NGOs and business were brought together in order to present draft Action plan and get comments and proposals for improvements from stakeholder groups.

CONTENT OF THE MEETING

Opening and welcome

A welcoming word was made by a Lithuanian Innovation Center director Mantas Vilys, who expressed encouragement for such meeting giving a short introduction into the project as a whole and the prepared draft Action plan and its importance for homecare sector as its aim is to foster home care innovations in enterprises working with health services. This aim is crucial as the demographic situation in Lithuania is getting worse rapidly and the institutions and SMEs don't pay attention to this problem and even do not identify this issue as a potential new market. However, there is a large demand from older and sick people for home care products and services which could be provided by creating new technologies and solutions. By presenting the draft Action plan he welcomed all participants inviting for constructive dialogue and proposals for improvements of the draft Action plan or even better solutions for the problems concerning homecare sector.

Highlighting the problem

There is a large demand for different type of home care products and services for older and sick people which could be provided by creating new technologies and solutions. However, institutions and SMEs do not recognise the new consumer segment and do not analyse the demands of this segment. What is more, public institutions do not give proper instructions how innovative ideas could be implemented into home care services. As a result, SMEs do not have information how their projects could be applied to home care needs and financed, for example by Innovouchers scheme.

Discussion



The moderator of the discussion was Mr. Edgaras Leichteris, expert of Lithuanian Innovation Center, who in the beginning of the discussion pointed out that Lithuanian Innovation Center is able to promote the potential benefit that Innovouchers scheme could provide for Lithuanian SME for developing technologies for home care sector. He emphasized that this could be acquired by communicating know-how and good practice examples about the successful experience in other countries and by transferring this good practice into Lithuanian market with a support from public finances. Therefore, he presented the draft Action plan, how to transfer good practices from foreign countries into Lithuanian market. First of all, he pointed out that the feasibility studies about the ability to transfer good practices must be made and that “Innovouchers” provides such opportunity for research studies. The practice from the Applied Technology in Health Center in Bulgaria was chosen as one of the good practices that has a potential to be transferred by Lithuanian SME “Poilsis Druskininkuose”, which is focusing on accommodation and health services. The Applied Technology in Health service creates advanced services to support the prevention, diagnostics and treatment of diseases with pronounced social significance. Another possible practice, presented by Mr. Edgaras Leichteris, that could be transferred into Lithuanian market is the one developed by Bulgarian company “Checkpointcardio” which created a system for real time patient vital signs observation, regardless of location of the patient. Mr. Edgaras Leichteris pointed out that Lithuanian SME “De Futuro” has the ability to transfer this good practice as they are already having an idea to develop a device that can track the physical state of a person in real time and inform him about any emerging threats to his health.

Participants of the meeting talked about their own experience with older or sick people and their care at home, pointed out the problems encountered and confirmed that those two good practices would be more than welcomed into Lithuanian market. Justė Rakštytė-Hoimian, representative from Ministry of Economy of the Republic of Lithuania, mentioned that reaction when you work with sick or older people must be very rapid and this system introduced by Mr. Edgaras Leichteris – a system for real time patient vital signs observation, regardless of location of the patient – is a very necessary tool, that must be transferred as quick as possible into Lithuanian market.

All participants of the discussion agreed on the action plan and its importance for Lithuanian home care situation and encouraged to initiate further improvement of the situation as there are a lot of problems that must be solved.

Closing words

Mr. E. Leichteris thanked all the participants for active participation in the discussion. He also expressed a hope that these good practices from “HoCare” project will be implemented successfully and this project will encourage to emerge other initiatives that will solve problems concerning home care of sick and elderly people.

LIST OF PARTICIPANTS








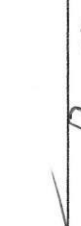
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