



IDIH

**INTERNATIONAL COLLABORATION
DIGITAL TRANSFORMATION
HEALTHY AGEING**

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**IDIH - International Digital Health Cooperation for Preventive, Integrated, Independent
and Inclusive Living**

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The European Commission (EC) recently approved the project IDIH - International Digital Health Cooperation for Preventive, Integrated, Independent and Inclusive Living - which brings together prominent organisations from the EU and five Strategic Partner Countries, i.e. Canada, China, Japan, South Korea and the USA, with the aim to promote and increase international collaboration to advance digital health to support active and healthy ageing through innovation. The launch event took place on 6th and 7th June 2019 in Helsinki, Finland presenting an opportunity for the project partners to discuss the project in-depth and to create an action plan for the first months of project work.



IDIH consortium partners at the kick-off meeting in Helsinki, Finland



IDIH will operate as a catalyst for the international dialogue in digital health. Based on identified key opportunities and shared priorities for global cooperation in digital health, the IDIH project will set up a Digital Health Transformation Forum as an umbrella and long-lasting and expert-driven mechanism to foster collaboration between the EU and the Strategic Partner Countries.

The IDIH project will take the context of society, technology and industry, but also the policy framework into account for the development of international cooperation activities in the digital transformation of health and care. It will work on four key topics that are common priorities in all countries/regions involved: preventive care, integrated care, independent and connected living, and inclusive living. Each country brings its territory's economic, cultural and societal aspects into play and has developed strategies and techniques to tackle the challenges of an ageing society.

The project has a budget of €2.4 million, comprising a maximum contribution of €2 million from the EU. The project started on 1st May 2019 and will run for 36 months. IDIH is coordinated by Steinbeis 2i GmbH (Germany). The consortium is made up of three further partners from the EU - inno TSD (France), Agenzia per la Promozione della Ricerca Europea (Italy), Athens Technology Center (Greece) - and five partners coming from the Strategic Partner Countries: Health 2.0 LLC (USA), Global SMES Business Council (South Korea), Medpeer Inc. (Japan), Tsinghua University (China) and the Canadian Institutes of Health Research (Canada).

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