



# Introducing the Innovative Health Initiative - IHI

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## WHAT IS IHI?



### IHI IS EUROPE'S NEW PARTNERSHIP FOR HEALTH

IHI is a **collaboration** between the EU and the biopharmaceutical, biotechnology, digital health and medical technology sectors, as well as academics, patients, regulators and other healthcare professionals.

## FROM IMI TO IHI



IHI will build on the extensive experience of **IMI's 14 years and almost 200 projects** to build an interdisciplinary, sustainable, patient-centric health research partnership to help transform patients' lives.

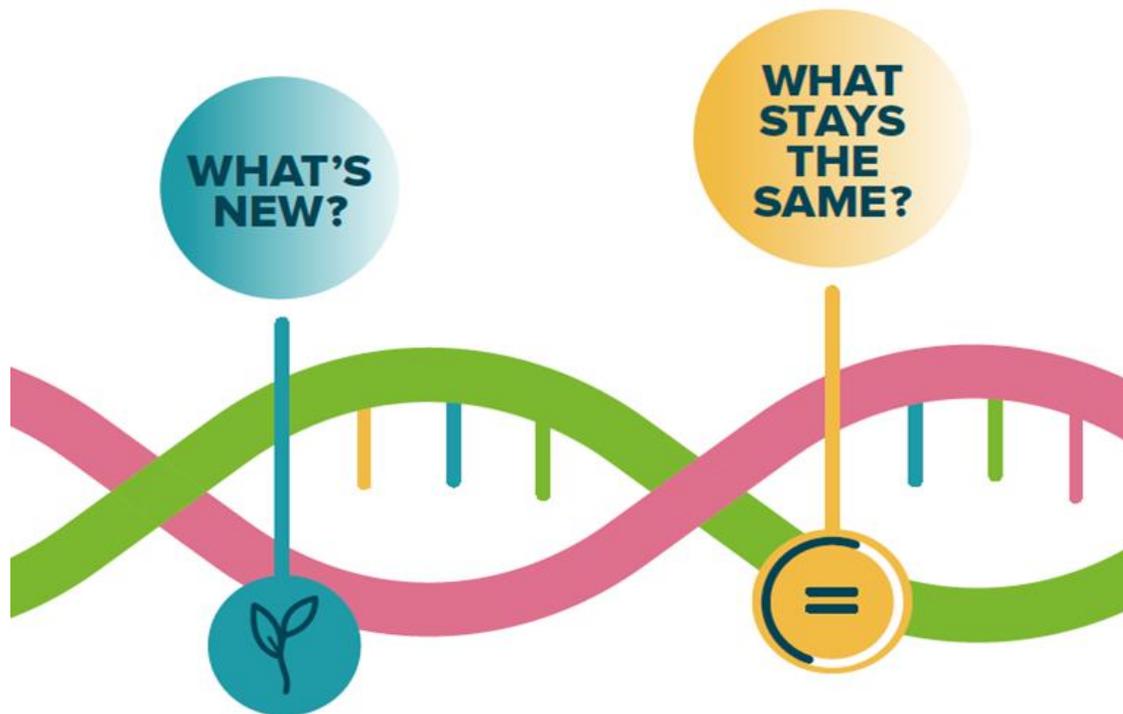
## IHI PARTNERS



The industry members that make up the new partnership are:

**COCIR**  
**EFPIA**  
**EuropaBio**  
**MedTech Europe**  
**Vaccines Europe**

The public member in the partnership is the European Union, represented by the **European Commission**



- The way we're governed will change.
- The scope of the partnership is broader than IMI as it will cover the **entire continuum of care**.
- There will be new, specific objectives that align with the EU's latest health policy strategies.

- **Funding comes equally** from the public and industry partners.
- Calls for proposals will be **open and competitive**.
- Projects started under IMI will be managed by IHI.

- A new Strategic Research and Innovation Agenda
- The Science and Innovation Panel
- Budget of **EUR 2.4 billion**
  - up to EUR 1.2 billion provided by the European Union (Horizon Europe Health Cluster),
  - at least EUR 1.2 billion provided by the member industry associations and Contributing Partners

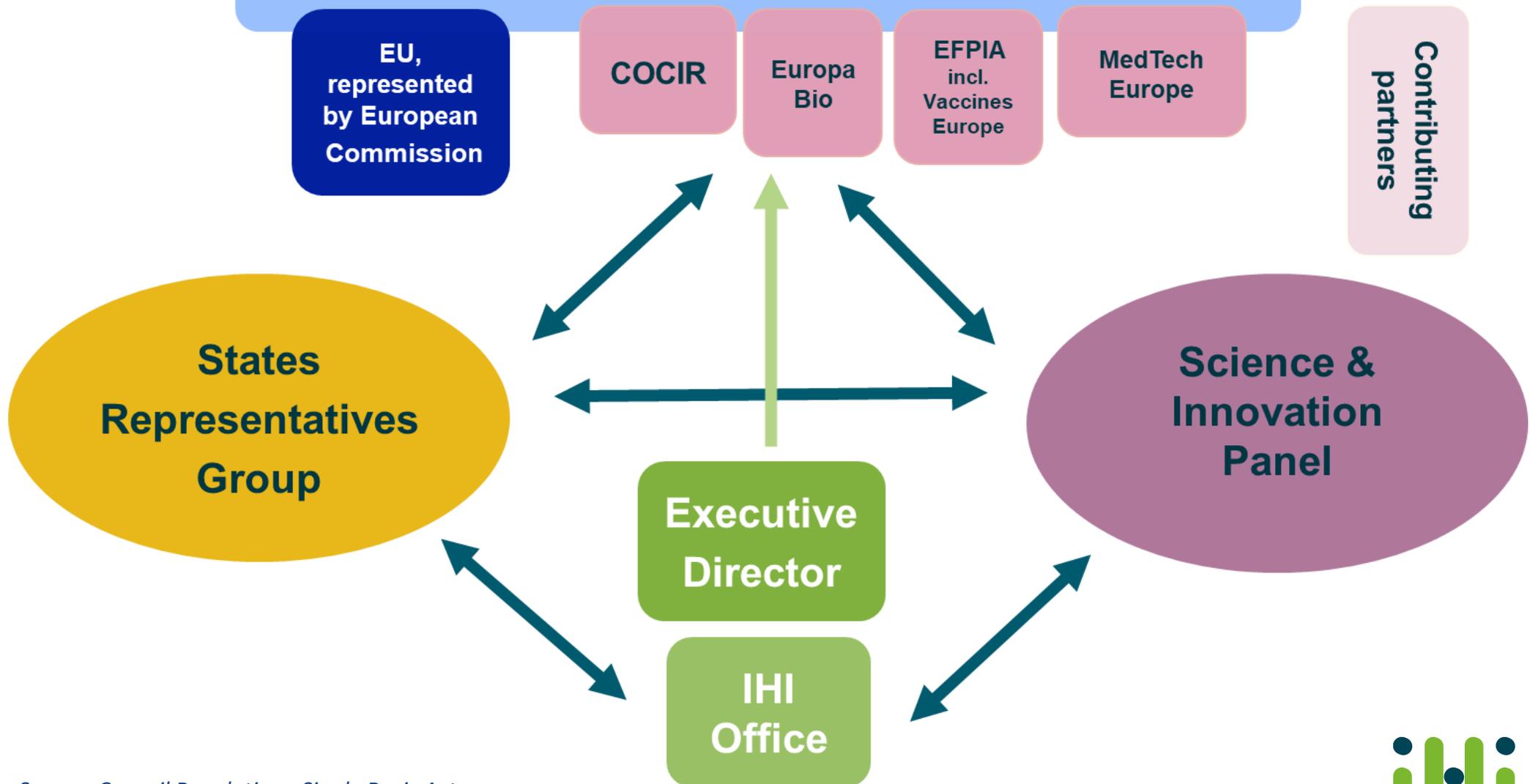
# IHI's general objectives

IHI's objectives are set out in the legislation creating IHI

Our general objectives are to:

- turn health research and innovation into **real benefits for patients and society**;
- deliver safe, effective health innovations that **cover the entire spectrum of care** – from prevention to diagnosis and treatment – particularly in areas where there is an unmet public health need;
- make Europe's health industries globally **competitive**.

# GOVERNING BOARD



Source: Council Regulation - Single Basic Act



# SIP composition

2 members  
European Commission



4 members  
IHI industry partners



2 members  
States Representatives Group (SRG)

Representatives  
appointed by  
own body

Chair  
4 members  
Scientific community

Representatives  
appointed via  
EoI Call

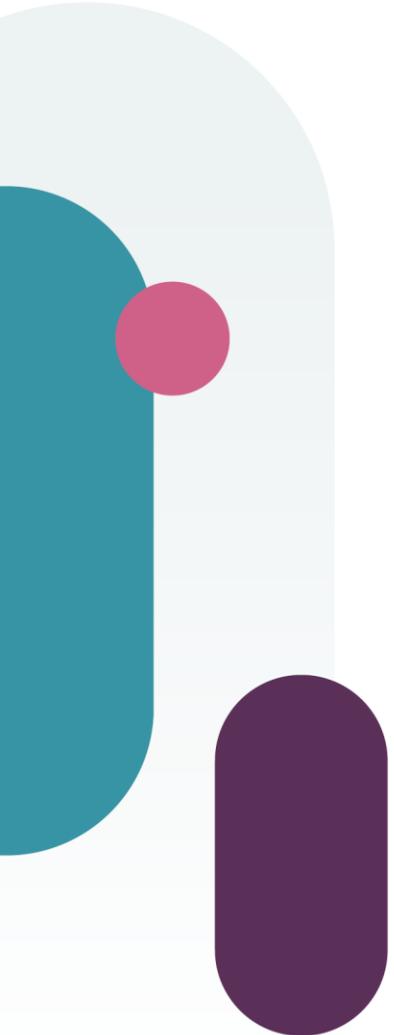
(up to) 6 members  
Stakeholders involved in healthcare (e.g. patients, health care professionals, healthcare providers, regulatory bodies, HTA, payers...)

**ad-hoc panelists** may be invited to discuss specific subjects at given meetings

# Role of the SIP

**The SIP will provide science-based advice to the Governing Board, on scientific and technological matters**

- IHI's draft work programmes, and in particular the draft call topics;
- updates to the SRIA;
- the planning of additional activities;
- the set-up of advisory groups focused on specific scientific priorities;
- synergies with other Horizon Europe activities, including other European partnerships, other EU and national programmes.

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- Applying for funding

# 2 types of calls for proposals

## single-stage

- Broad topic, not specific to one single product/technology/solution
- Private Members apply simultaneously with Public Members in mixed consortia
- Due to its openness and competitive character, private members can receive funding
- Pharma companies will abstain from requesting funding
- Industry partners build consortia with public partners (like in HE regular calls)
- Proposed budgets must include at least 45% in-kind contribution (e.g., 10 mil total budget: at least 4.5 mil in-kind provided by members of founding associations)

## 2-stage

- Topics and budget are determined by Private Members
- Applicant consortia of beneficiaries requesting funding submit a short proposal at stage 1
- The successful applicant consortium joins with the pre-identified industry consortium the second stage
- Private Members are not eligible for funding
- In fact, no funding will be made available for any company with annual turnover > 500M
- No requirement for applicant consortia to provide in-kind contributions in a two stage process

# Apply to IHI calls

IHI has published on its new website indicative information on ideas that may be included in the first call for proposals.

- This first calls should be launched **by the end of Q2 2022**
- Participate in the info-days, brokerage events and webinars organised up to Call launch

Read more about the topic ideas

[www.ihl.europa.eu/apply-funding/future-opportunities](http://www.ihl.europa.eu/apply-funding/future-opportunities)

# Potential future topics

## Call 1 – single stage

- An innovative decision-support system for improved care pathways for patients with neurodegenerative diseases and comorbidities.”
- Next generation imaging and image-guided diagnosis and therapy for cancer
- Personalised oncology: Innovative people-centred, multi-modal therapies against cancer
- Access and integration of heterogeneous health data for improved health care in diseases areas of high unmet public health need

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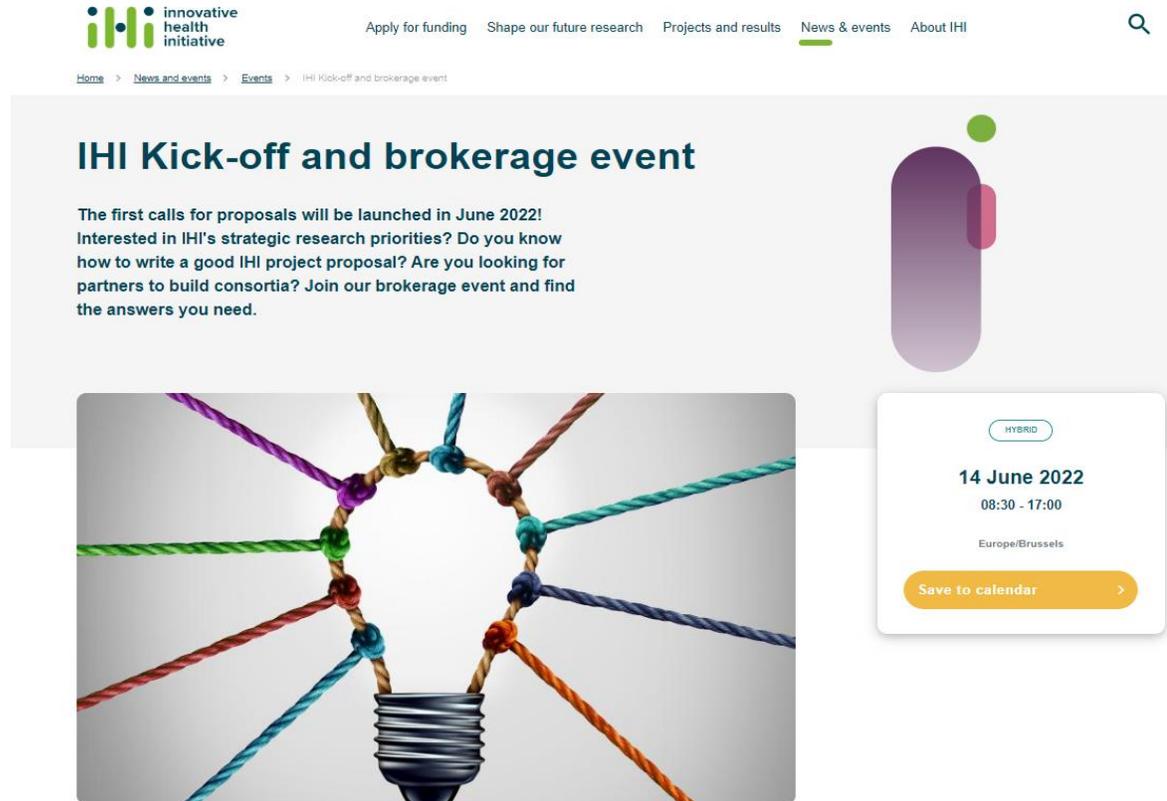
## Call 2 – two stage

- Cardiovascular diseases - Improved prediction, prevention, diagnosis and monitoring
- Setting a harmonised methodology to promote uptake of Early Feasibility Studies for clinical and innovation excellence in the European Union

# Brokerage events and information days

- Previous experience has shown that building a consortium to apply to an IHI call will probably be one of the bigger challenges that applicants face.
- Applicants with established networks have an advantage when it comes to building consortia.
- The need to broaden participation from a wider range of stakeholders will also be important.
- While IHI office has to remain impartial and cannot support the formation of a particular consortium, we will organise brokerage events and info-days to facilitate the networking and building of consortia.

# Brokerage event



The screenshot shows the IHI website header with the logo and navigation menu. The main content area features the event title, a descriptive paragraph, a lightbulb image with ropes, and an event details card.

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## IHI Kick-off and brokerage event

The first calls for proposals will be launched in June 2022! Interested in IHI's strategic research priorities? Do you know how to write a good IHI project proposal? Are you looking for partners to build consortia? Join our brokerage event and find the answers you need.



HYBRID

**14 June 2022**  
08:30 - 17:00

Europe/Brussels

Save to calendar >

For more information: <https://bit.ly/IHI-brokerage>

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