

The eHealth for Regions Project – an Overview

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15 minutes, how they are spent

An overview of the Project

- www.ehealthforregions.net
- *Results and Perspectives*
- *eHealth as a Facilitator*

Reviewing the experience: Did it pay off?

First step

Initiative from Kiel

- *September 11th (!) 2003*

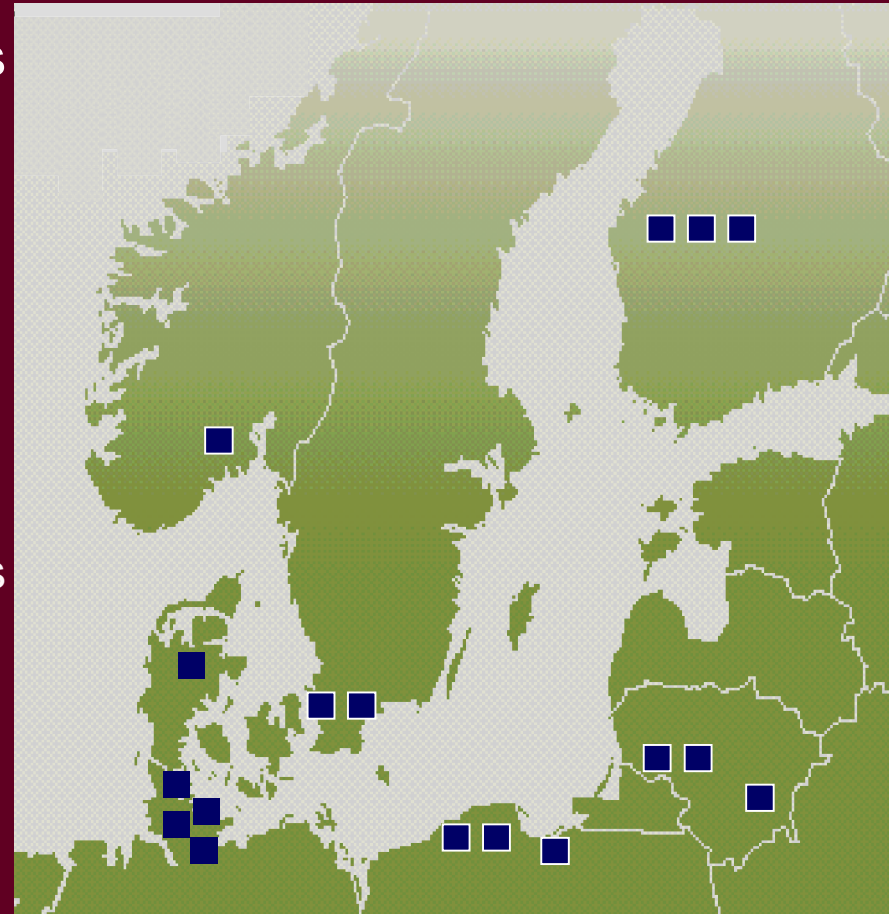
Application

- *Cooperation with Baltic eHealth as precondition*
- *dsn-projekte as managing support*
- *17 partners from 7 countries*

- Denmark: *Viborg County Council / Region Denmark North*
- Finland: *Regional Council of South Ostrobothnia,
Seinäjoki Polytechnic,
South Ostrobothnia Health Care District*
- Germany: *AOK Schleswig-Holstein,
District of Segeberg,
Ev.-Luth. Diakonissenanstalt Flensburg,
Ministry of Public Health Land Schleswig-Holstein*
- Lithuania: *Kaunas Region,
Kaunas University of Medicine Heart Center,
Vilnius University Hospital Santariskiu Klinikos*
- Norway: *Vestfold Hospital Trust*
- Poland: *City Hospital Lebork,
Lebork Town Municipality,
Medical University of Gdansk*
- Sweden: *Region Skåne, Economic Development/Innovation,
Region Skåne, Health and Medical Services*

Working experiences:

- Half year meetings with delegations
- Steering Group and Work-Package meetings
- Well organized
 - dsn-projekte + WP-leaders
 - hard working partners
- Necessary to know:
 - Very different health care conditions
 - Partners and organizations
- Good to know:
 - The home-base of each partner



Put in Short

Project "eHealth for Regions": Results and Perspectives



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We asked ourselves a simple Question:

- *How can we develop cross border eHealth without knowing the way patients are diagnosed, treated, rehabilitated?*

The answer were twofold:

- *10 common pathways of patients were described*
- *The way of setting up health care service, the acute and non-acute service, the referrals, the payments etc. were described*

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A Need Analysis through Questionnaires in 5 countries on 'E-Health acceptance and awareness':

- *Three focus groups:*
 - *Doctors and nurses*
 - *Decision makers*
 - *Patients and the public in general*
- *General acceptance*
- *General expectances*
- *Knowledge and actual use differ between the countries*

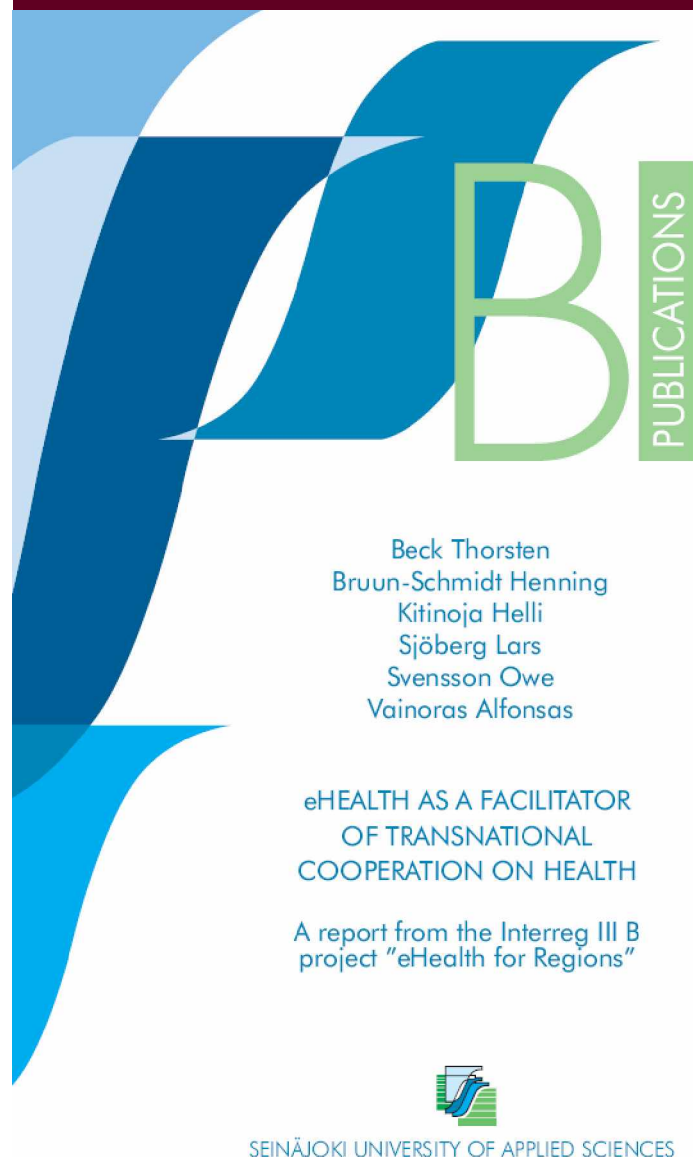
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”eHealth as a facilitator of transnational cooperation on health”

Highlights on the future possibilities of eHealth:

- *Transnational cooperation on health in Europe*
- *A vision deriving from eHealth as a facilitator*
- *Conditions to be fulfilled to make eHealth a common tool?*

Ends up with project proposals



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**eHEALTH AS A FACILITATOR
OF TRANSNATIONAL
COOPERATION ON HEALTH**

A report from the Interreg III B
project "eHealth for Regions"



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EU-Commission Policy on eHealth

- *Towards 'An European eHealth Area'*
- *Support movements of citizens*

The eHealth for Regions-project pioneers a Common BSR-eHealth Area

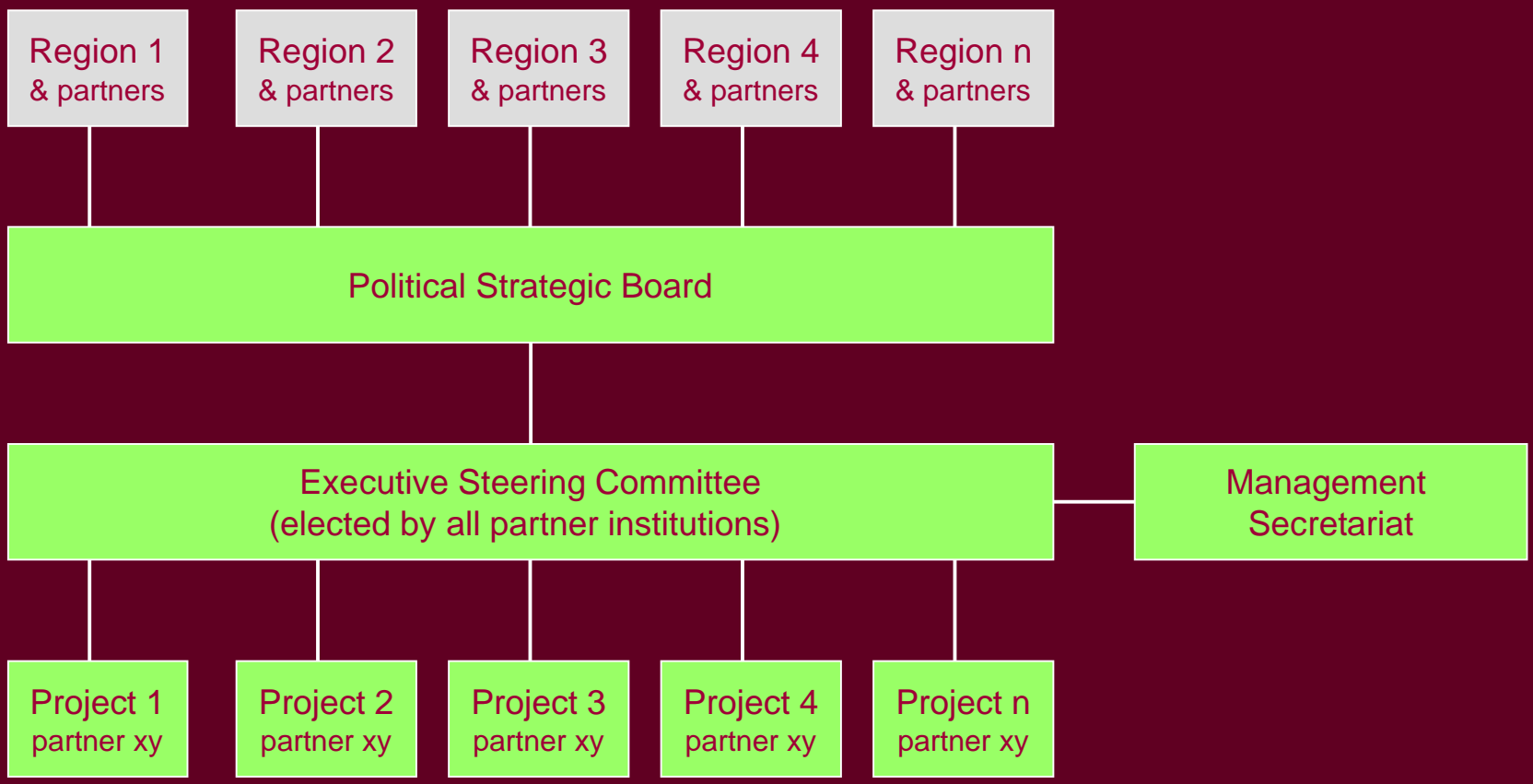
- *To better accessibility and quality of health care*
- *To share knowledge and resources*
- *To promote acceptance of eHealth*
- *To build up business models on eHealth basis*
- *To develop transnational network and cooperation in eHealth*

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- - how?
- - who?

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Overall objectives of the project:

To...

- *enhance the attractiveness of the regions*
- *improve the accessibility and quality of health care*
- *share knowledge and resources*
- *promote the acceptance for e-health services*
- *build a transnational cross-sectoral network*
- *develop a business model*
- *experience the transnational network and co-operation in the field of telecardiology*

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