Innovative Health Initiative (IHI)

Overview
The Innovative Health Initiative (IHI) builds on the successes of, and lessons learnt from, Innovative Medicines Initiative (IMI). IHI contributes to a number of European policies, most notably Europe’s Beating Cancer Plan, the new Industrial Strategy for Europe and the Pharmaceutical Strategy for Europe.

Goal
The goal of IHI is to help creating an EU-wide health research and innovation ecosystem that facilitates the translation of scientific knowledge into tangible innovations. These innovations should be safe, effective, people-centred and cost-effective, and cover prevention, diagnostics, treatment and disease management.

Eligibility
Participants from Switzerland are included in the project as “Associated Partners” (APs) from a non-associated third country till further notice. If the proposal is successful, eligible costs of the Swiss entities are in principle reimbursed by the Swiss State Secretariat for Education, Research and Innovation (SERI). In one-stage calls Swiss entities do not contribute toward the in-kind contributions’ percentages (either IKOP or IKAA).

IHI Partners
The ‘public’ partner of IHI is the European Union, through the European Commission (EC). The IHI industry partners are COCIR, EFPIA, EuropaBio, MedTech Europe and Vaccines Europe. Other organisations that want to support specific areas of research without becoming full members of IHI can apply to become ‘contributing partners’.

Financial Support
The total budget proposed for IHI is EUR 2.4 billion, half of it contributed by the EC.

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