

# EIT Health launches Mentoring and Coaching Network, a platform to support healthcare start-ups

EIT Health on 15 October 2018 announced the official launch of its Mentoring & Coaching Network (MCN), an initiative to help health and healthcare-oriented start-ups find the expertise they need by connecting them with the right mentors in industry, research and academia.

The new network acts to amplify a key strength of EIT Health: the knowledge contained within its partnership of best-in-class organisations involved in Medtech, Biotech and Digital health. The MCN actively catalogues and solicits this expertise available in Europe and provides a professional and structured mentoring framework to ensure that their knowledge has the highest potential impact. As a result, start-ups can get timely advice from the person who has the specific expertise needed. The mentors have an opportunity to learn about, and work with, promising start-ups, and also to benefit from association with their peers, the other mentors.

To create a vast pool of MCN experts, EIT Health has integrated its individual experts, partners, institutions and corporations across Europe into one robust, curated platform of quality mentors with specific know-how and relevant track records from around the EU.

These experts provide their assistance through guided mentoring programmes, designed to ensure quality. The MCN provides:

- **Matching:** Ensuring the right fit between the mentees' needs and the mentors' specific expertise.
- **Engagement:** Guided by structured and proven approaches for mentoring programmes.
- **An interface:** Empowered by our online mentoring platform.
- **Guidance:** Supported by our local managers and dedicated MCN team.

The initiative is led by EIT Health Core Partner KTH Royal Institute of Technology (Stockholm, Sweden), in close collaboration with EIT Health business creation managers.

## How to participate

**Start-ups** looking for expert mentoring support in a broad range of subjects can [apply here](#), and are asked to contact their Local Business Creation Manager, [listed on this page](#), to get started.

**Mentors:** The network is continuously seeking to add to its list of quality mentors. Those with expertise in a healthcare field are invited to [apply here](#).

For further information on the Mentoring & Coaching Network Program, visit: [www.eithealth.eu/MCN](http://www.eithealth.eu/MCN)

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## About EIT Health

EIT Health is a network of best-in-class health innovators backed by the EU. We collaborate across borders to deliver new solutions that can enable European citizens to live longer, healthier lives.

As Europeans tackle the challenge of increasing chronic diseases and multi-morbidity, and seek to realise the opportunities that technology offers to move beyond conventional approaches to treatment, prevention and healthy lifestyles, we need thought leaders, innovators and efficient ways to bring innovative healthcare solutions to market.

EIT Health addresses these needs. We connect all relevant healthcare players across European borders – making sure to include all sides of the “knowledge triangle”, so that innovation can happen at the intersection of research, education and business for the benefit of citizens.

*EIT Health: Together for healthy lives in Europe.*

For more information visit: <http://www.eithealth.eu/>

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