



**eHealth for Safety**  
**Benefits of ICT for patient safety**

A strategic seminar during the eHealth High Level Conference in Malaga  
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9.00-11.00, 11.30-13.00

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James Goldberg is presently Professor at the faculty of Medicine of Nice (France). He is a Cancer Specialist by training, holder of a MD PhD from Paris and Columbia Universities and worked for professional organisations and governments in USA, France and Europe. He is a specialist in Healthcare Quality and Safety Sciences and helped establish national programs in France (Accreditation and Evaluation of Hospitals, Home Care, Cancer Treatments and Research, Cancer Nutrition and Continuous Care Support). He was a founder of the International Healthcare Technology Society and member of Scientific Boards several for International Medical Societies. He was discerned the "Academic Palms" in France for services in the National Educational Program. He has dual citizenship: American and French. He is married, two children and resides in France.

**Ho, Kendall**

*Associate Professor, Division of Emergency Medicine*  
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Dr. Ho is a practicing emergency physician, the Associate Dean of the Division of Continuing Professional Development and Knowledge Translation of the Faculty of Medicine, University of British Columbia, a consultant to the B.C. Ministry of Health, and a researcher to understand how best to incorporate modern information technologies into health practices to accelerate the translation of medical evidence into routine clinical care. Dr. Ho has benefited from synergizing his clinical, educational, administrative, and academic roles to bring about change management and assist in evidence based knowledge and policy translation in the domain of eHealth.



**Iakovidis, Ilias**

*Deputy Head*

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Ilias Iakovidis PhD, is a deputy Head of ICT for Health, responsible for research activities in eHealth and biomedical informatics. He is also working on the follow up of the EU eHealth Action Plan COM (2004) 356 of which he was the main co-author. Beyond the office duties he continues to publish articles and books, teach graduate courses on medical informatics in EU and US, and giving keynote lectures at major international conferences. In 2001 he has been elected fellow of American College of Medical Informatics for his contribution to the field

**Purcarea, Octavian**

*Scientific Officer*

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Octavian Purcarea is a medical doctor with a post-graduate degree in Health Administration (MBA), a general surgery training and several years of experience in the eHealth area. His experience in the private sector in different domains (Health information networks, telemedicine and research in the ICT for Health area) was followed by more than four years as Scientific Officer at the DG INFSO, based in Brussels, Belgium, for the Information and Communication Technologies (ICT) for Health Unit. He is now in charge with the Interoperability of eHealth applications aspects of the eHealth Action plan (see COM (2004) 356).

**Ryan, John F.**

*Head of Unit*

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John F. Ryan is Head of Unit responsible for health information within the European Commission department for public health and consumer protection. This includes responsibility for issues such as health monitoring, health indicators, the European Health Portal and e-Health. He is also responsible for rare diseases, health impact assessment and electro-magnetic radiation. He was a Commission representative on the Board of the EU Lisbon Drugs Agency. He currently is dealing with the implementation of a 6-year Community Public Health Programme, which came into force in January 2003. He has particular responsibility for the first part of that programme intended to establish a Community wide information and knowledge system on public health for the use of citizens and professionals.

He is a member of the Board of the European Centre for Disease Control in Stockholm. He is also an official of the Irish civil service (on leave).

**Sanna, Alberto**

*e-Services for Life Health Manager  
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Since joining San Raffaele Hospital during his degree thesis in 1989, Alberto Sanna has been in charge of automation projects in the Nuclear Chemistry and Laboratory Medicine departments, Laboratory Information System and Process Technologies, and currently in charge of e-Services for Life and Health Unit, a team of engineers aimed at developing and engineering safe, secure and effective health business models and systems on top of e-commerce infrastructures. He has been and is Project Manager of diverse R&D Projects in ICT for Health domain, covering Patient Safety, Health Knowledge Management, e-Services for life and health. He is also active in international standardization activities on Health Informatics in ISO TC215 and CEN TC251

**Stroetmann, Veli**

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Dr. Veli Stroetmann, MD, PhD, has been principal investigator or senior researcher of studies on policy strategies, market research and validation of applications of ICT in the health sector. Presently, she is involved in a study for the European Commission on the impact of ICT on patient safety and risk management in healthcare, and in two projects to support the implementation of the European eHealth Action Plan and to improve interoperability among Member State health systems. The economic impact of eHealth, healthgrid applications or semantic interoperability are topics of other work.

**Terol, Enrique**

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Specialist of health care organization and economy, biomedical and Healthcare Information technology, Jean-Pierre THIERRY, MD MPH, has 20 years experience in consulting and project management for the Industry as well as for Governments or Hospitals. He worked for several professional organizations at a national level in France (National Medical Board, National Centre for Hospital Equipment and Centre for the Study of Advanced Technology). Jean-Pierre THIERRY has also held positions as CIO of two large general Hospitals in the Paris area. He currently works as an IT expert for the National Agency for Hospital Investment and for the French region of Picardie.



**Young, Scott**

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Scott Young, M.D. is the Director for Health Information Technology at the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality. Dr. Young's portfolio includes a wide variety of research, evaluation and implementation initiatives aimed at improving the quality, safety and efficiency of healthcare. Prior to joining AHRQ he served as a Senior Clinical Advisor in the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services. He served in the office of Senator Jeff Bingaman as a Robert Wood Johnson Health Policy Fellow. In that capacity Dr. Young advised the Senator on a number of issues including Veterans Affairs, Medicare, health workforce, national prescription drug policy, bioterrorism and improving the public health infrastructure.

He is the former executive vice president of the Utah HealthCare Institute, a not-for-profit organization providing clinical care, outreach programs, medical education, research, informatics, and health policy services. Dr. Young is a founding member of Intermountain Health Care's Utah Valley Family Practice Residency. In both these capacities he crafted and established community outreach and policy programs aimed at improving medical care for the elderly, poor and disenfranchised.

Dr. Young received an M.D. from the University of Oklahoma in 1987 and completed his training at the Fairfax Family Practice Residency. He is board certified in family medicine and a fellow of the American Academy of Family Physicians. Dr. Young is a recipient of the Mead-Johnson Research Award and the 2000 American College of Physician Executives/Modern Physician Award of Excellence.