Health, demographic change and wellbeing is one Societal Challenge (SCH) under Horizon 2020, the framework programme for research and innovation of the European Union. It intends to tackle key European & global health challenges (i.e. an ageing population, increased disease burden, unsustainable and unequal health and care systems) through multi-disciplinary applied research. With a budget of 7,472 Bio euros for the period 2014-2020, it is the largest multi-national programme for collaborative research, including public-public (e.g., EDCTP and AAL) & public-private (e.g. IMI) co-operation. It will fund excellence in health research and innovation, bringing together leading players from Europe & across the globe.

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Societal Challenge 1 National Contact Points (SC1 NCPs), also referred to as “Health NCPs”, are people nominated by the national authorities in Member States and Associated Countries to provide assistance to potential Horizon 2020 applicants in their countries. Non-European countries can also nominate Health Contact Points.
What is Health-NCP-Net?

Health NCP Net 2.0 (HNN 2.0) is a coordination and support action funded under Horizon 2020 for improving and professionalizing the Health NCP service in the European Health Research & Innovation funding landscape. The Network offers capacity building and a set of activities to gain complementary knowledge facilitating trans-national co-operation and sharing of good practices between National Contact Points (NCPs) for the Societal Challenge 1 “Health, Demographic change & Wellbeing” (SCI).

The HNN 2.0 consortium consists of 13 highly skilled NCP organizations with a balanced representation from experienced and less experienced NCPs across Europe and integrates the new disciplines merged into the SCI under H2020.

What can your Health NCP do for you?

- Help you better understand the EU Research & Innovation Programme “Horizon 2020” and the Societal Challenge 1
- Offer guidance in identifying relevant topics and in proposal writing
- Answer your queries regarding EU R&I funding in the health sector
- Organise information events on EU Health Programmes & calls in your region or institution
- Inform about health specific aspects, e.g., ethics or clinical studies
- Assist you in your search for partners through the NCP network, partnering events & other available tools
- Advise you on administrative procedures & legal issues
- Support and guide you on the application process

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