

# Annexe I Smart4Health MOOC1

The Smart4Health Project Explained to the Nursing Profession

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Read the book ONLINE : <u>https://online.anyflip.com/eumpx</u> <u>/ssim/mobile/index.html</u> The EU faces many challenges. Nurses and nursing are part of the solution. It looks like the EU citizens have enough of the nice talks of politicians, enough of their political promises prior election. Therefore, it is important civil society, nurses ask themselves in which workd they want to live and work, how nursing need to push for change in the changing world; and what should be in for nurses who provide daily care for the most vulnerable in our complex society. But when moving forward, the main question for many citizens will be: the EU, what's in it for me? Indeed, since 2008, when the financial crisis hit ordinary EU citizens very hard, especially nurses and women, more challenges to daily survival started to surface. Is the EU, its institutions, its political games, just a complex political labyrinth nobody wants to understand? Are EU civil servints simply producing legislation in view of their own created cocoon, far away from daily reality? But how can we bring ordinary EU citizens closer to the European project, its solutions? Nurses, women, play a key role in making the EU, health & wellbeing, prosperity and peace work for Eu citizens, trusting nurses most!



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# EU Lobby Strategies Fitting a New Political Context

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<u>https://online.anyflip.com/eumpx/</u> <u>ugmb/mobile/index.html</u> The changing EU economic and political context implies adapting to this changing environment, including our lobby strategies to pro-actively set the nursing agenda. The EU institutions, its political machinery, has become a complex political labyrinth in which public consultations are not enough to build trust with its citizens. Putting civil society into the cloud to meet and produce statement is the new window dressing which does not facilitate the design of a social Europe. This book is building on concrete achievements of the nursing community, its leaders to move the European political agenda, to advance nursing in such a way that it delivers concrete benefits for EU citizens. The nurse' European project, be it political, professional, scientific, is a movement built since 1967, when the Commission started drafting the free movement Directive. EU legislation protected and stimulated the development of nursing as a profession. However, as lobby strategies are drying up, civil society being excluded from policy design, we need to reflect on how to influence better EU politics and policies. The world changed in 2017 and more changes are to come, for the better, the worse!

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### Horizon 2020

Horizon 2020 was the EU Research and Innovation programme that dealt with nearly €80 billion of funding available over 7 years (2014 to 2020), helping to achieve smart, sustainable and inclusive economic growth.

#### See here: https://ec.europa.eu/programmes/horizon 2020/en/home



## **Horizon Europe**

Horizon Europe is the new EU new programme with a budget of €95.5 billion of funding available (from 2021 to 2027). The programme aims to facilitate collaboration and strengthens the impact of research and innovation in developing, supporting and implementing EU policies while tackling global challenges.

See here: https://ec.europa.eu/info/research -and-innovation/funding/fundingopportunities/fundingprogrammes-and-opencalls/horizon-europe\_en



## Directive 2013/55/EU

amending Directive 2005/36/EC on the recognition of professional qualifications

This Directive aims to consolidate and modernise the rules regulating the mutual recognition of professional qualifications in the EU Member States, including for general care nurses.

#### To read the Directive:

<u>https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-</u> content/EN/TXT/?uri=celex%3A32013L0055

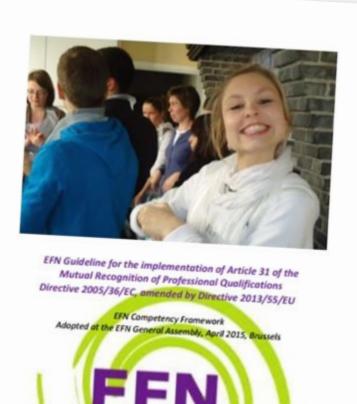
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## EFN Competency Framework

Approved by the EFN members in April 2015, the EFN Competency Framework describes the competences required to nurses responsible for general care, aiming at being used by the National Nurses Associations to encourage and guide the nursing schools at national level to implement the competences listed under Article 31 of the Directive.

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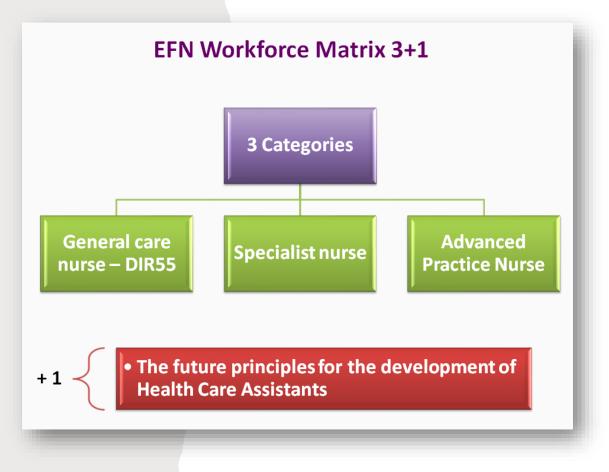
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### **EFN Workforce Matrix 3+1**

Approved by the EFN Members in May 2017, the EFN Workforce Matrix 3+1 includes information on education, qualifications and competences for each category, and shows the commonalities and differences of the three categories and the HCAs among 35 EU countries.

*Read it here:* <u>http://www.efnweb.be/?page\_id=8220</u>

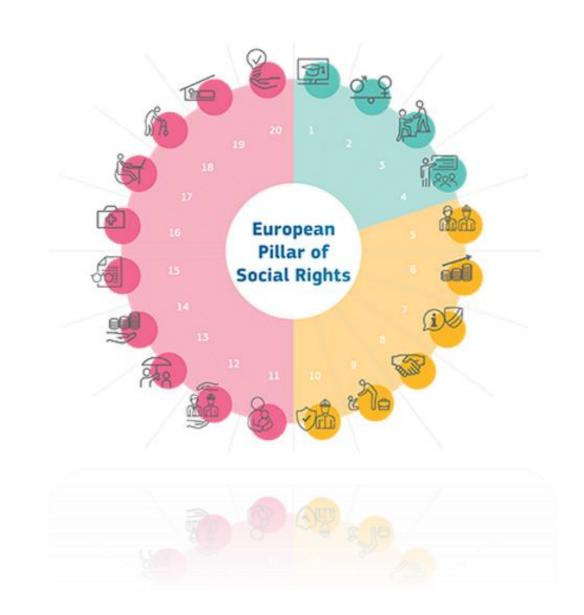


## European Pillar of Social Rights

The European Pillar of Social Rights is about better delivering on rights for citizens by building on 20 key principles. Of these 20 principles, the EFN follows 4: Principle 1 (Education); Principle 6 (Wages); Principle 16 (Healthcare); Principle 18 (Long-term care).

#### See it here :

<u>https://ec.europa.eu/info/strateg</u> <u>y/priorities-2019-2024/economy-</u> <u>works-people/jobs-growth-and-</u> <u>investment/european-pillar-</u> <u>social-rights/european-pillar-</u> <u>social-rights-20-principles\_en</u>



### European Pillar of Social Rights Action Plan

The European Pillar of Social Rights Action Plan sets out concrete initiatives to turn the European Pillar of Social Rights into reality. It proposes headline targets for the EU by 2030.

#### See it here :

<u>https://ec.europa.eu/info/strategy/priorities-2019-</u> <u>2024/economy-works-people/jobs-growth-and-</u> <u>investment/european-pillar-social-rights/european-</u> <u>pillar-social-rights-action-plan\_en</u>



### Multiannual Financial Framework 2021-2027

See it here: <u>https://ec.europa.eu/info/strategy/eu-</u> <u>budget/long-term-eu-budget/2021-</u> <u>2027 en</u>

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#### **NextGenerationEU**

See it here: <u>https://ec.europa.eu/info/strategy/recover</u> <u>y-plan-europe\_en#nextgenerationeu</u>

Both supporting the recovery plan for Europe. It includes the new EU budget structure, funding programmes, allocations per Member States, and data on spending and revenue.



Framework: today's agreement on our Recovery Plan and the next Multiannual Financial Framework. We now need to move forward with finalising the agreement on the next long-term budget and NextGenerationEU by the end of the year. Help is needed for citizens and business badly hit by the coronavirus crisis. Our recovery plan will help us turn the challenge of the pandemic into an opportunity for a recovery led by the green and diaital transition"

European Commission President Ursula von der Leven

On 10 November 2020, the European Parliament and EU Member States in the Council, with the support of the European Commission, reached an agreement on the largest package ever financed through the EU budget, of €1.8 trillion. Following the coronavirus crisis and its consequences, the package will help rebuild a greener, more digital and more resilient Europe, which is better fit for current and forthcoming challenges.

#### Key figures in the agreement:

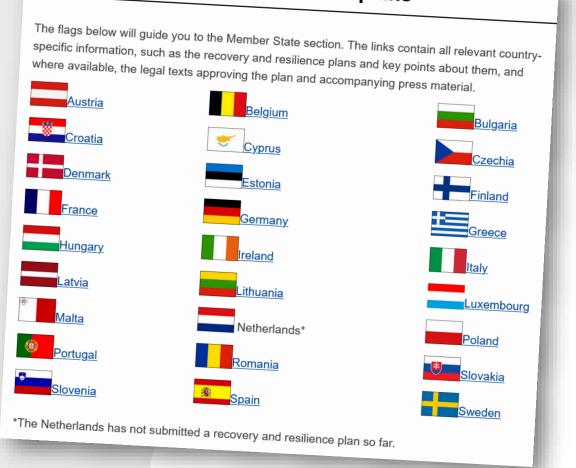
- Long-term budget for 2021-2027 of E1.074 trillion combined with the temporary recovery instrument, NextGenerationEU, of E750 billion;
- More than 50% of the amount will support modernisation through policies that include research and innovation, via Horizon Europe; fair climate and digital transitions, via the Just Transition Fund and the Digital Europe programme; preparedness, recovery and resilience, via the Recovery and Resilience Facility, rescEU and a new health programme, EU4Health;
- Traditional policies such as cohesion and common agricultural policy will be modernised and will continue to receive significant EU budget funds, with the objective to support the green and digital transitions;
- 30% of the EU funds, under both NextGenerationEU and MFF, will be spent to fight climate change. The package also pays a specific attention to biodiversity protection and gender mainstreaming;
- Key programmes, including Erasmus+, EU4Health and Horizon Europe, will be reinforced compared to the agreement at the July 2020 special European Council, by a total of <1.5 billion.</li>

## National Recovery and Resilience Plans

The links contain all relevant country-specific information, such as the recovery and resilience plans and key points about them, and where available, the legal texts approving the plan and accompanying press material.

See it here: <u>https://ec.europa.eu/info/business-</u> <u>economy-euro/recovery-</u> <u>coronavirus/recovery-and-resilience-</u> <u>facility\_en#national-recovery-and-</u> <u>resilience-plans</u>

# National recovery and resilience plans



## Recovery and Resilience Facility

Aiming to mitigate the economic and social impact of the coronavirus pandemic and make European economies and societies more sustainable, resilient and better prepared for the challenges and opportunities of the green and digital transitions.

See it here: <u>https://ec.europa.eu/info/business-</u> <u>economy-euro/recovery-</u> <u>coronavirus/recovery-and-</u> <u>resilience-facility\_en</u> #EUEconomyExplained

# Recovery and Resilience Facility

A stronger more resilient Europe, ready for the future.

## Recovery and Resilience Scoreboard

The Recovery and Resilience Scoreboard gives an overview of how the implementation of the Recovery and Resilience Facility (RRF) and the national recovery and resilience plans is progressing.

See it here: <u>https://ec.europa.eu/economy\_fina</u> <u>nce/recovery-and-resilience-</u> <u>scoreboard/</u>



## European Semester - Country Specific Recommendation (2016-2020)

Country-specific recommendations provide tailored advice to individual Member States on how to boost jobs, growth and investment, while maintaining sound public finances. The Commission publishes them every spring. They give guidance on what can realistically be achieved in the next 12-18 months to make growth more sustainable, inclusive and stronger.

#### Read it here:

<u>https://ec.europa.eu/info/publications/2020-</u> <u>european-semester-country-specific-</u> <u>recommendations-commission-</u> <u>recommendations\_en</u>



## **EFN Policy Statement on** the EU Semester

Approved by the EFN Members in October 2016, this EFN Policy Statement is calling on the national and European policy-makers to acknowledge the importance of investing in health, with a more efficient health and social care funding allocation and better working conditions for the nursing workforce, building on existing integrated care ecosystems throughout the EU.

#### *Read it here:*

http://www.efnweb.be/wpcontent/uploads/EFN-Position-Paper-on-Nurses-Contribution-to-European-Semester.pdf



#### EFN POSITION PAPER ON NURSES CONTRIBUTION TO EUROPEAN SEMESTER

By the end of 2020 the EU wants to have achieved its growth strategy leading to smart, sustainable and inclusive growth in the areas of employment, research and development, climate, energy, education, social inclusion and poverty reduction. Challenges in different sectors but particularly in those related to health and social care lead to a disruptive restructuring, envisaging efficiency and sustainable solutions. Although the Member States have an extensive freedom in organising their health and social care systems, the European Union helps Member States to achieve the abovementioned goals by analysing the state of play of the ecosystem and bring in

recommendations to improve the performance of the health and social care system. These are

covered by the Country Specific Recommendations of the European Semester, which year by year

However, every single Member State is or will be struggling with the societal challenges if healthcare remains isolated from the social sector, and stays disease specific and medically dominated. All countries need to set a series of political priorities that reshuffle investments

towards building a health and social ecosystem with a strengthened community care. Bringing care back to the community will be the main challenge in the coming years to reach a resilient health

The EFN therefore advises national and European policy-makers, drafting input to the Commission,

leading to Country Specific Recommendations, to acknowledge the importance of investing in health, with a more efficient health and social care funding allocation, better working conditions for the nursing workforce, especially frontline, building on existing integrated care ecosystems

During the past five years, the EFN has been working in different sectors that contribute to the

sustainability of health and social ecosystems. Firstly, on education, it is crucial and a safeguard for patients, the carers and the public in general, to have a high qualified and motivated nursing workforce operating frontline in EU health and social care systems in the EU and Europe. To that

end, the EU Directive on Mutual Recognition of Professional Qualifications (2005/36/EC), which sets the minimum education requirements and competences at EU level, had to be properly implemented by January 2016. In order to support that, the EFN members developed an EFN Competency Framework that is helping nursing schools and universities to bring their nursing workforce up to the best quality, fit for practice. It is well known that research proved the link

puts different recommendations for all Members States in the spotlight.

between the education of nurses and patient outcomes. Bringing evidence of the importance of a highly educated nursing workforce, including the creation of advanced roles frontline, into the national governments reports towards the European Commission is key for being reflected in the It is therefore important the National Nurses Association has the opportunity providing input to the

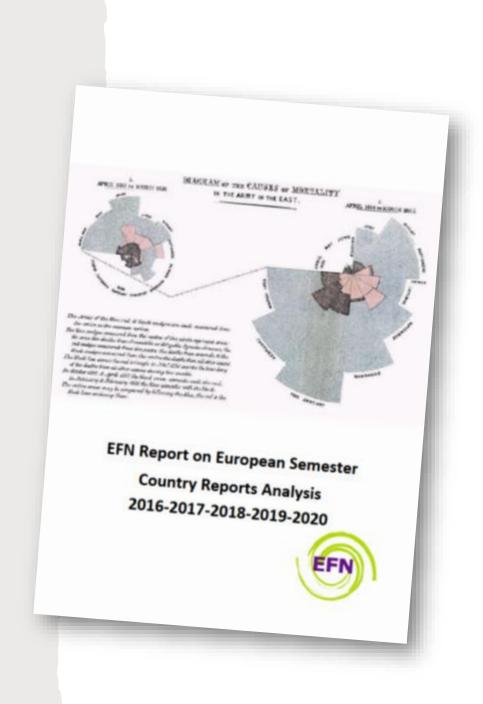
European Semester through their National Contact Points for the European Semester. Best practice examples on the contribution of nurses and nursing to a sustainable health and social care ecosystem is key. Nurses play a fundamental and indispensable role in the provision of long-term care. That recognition should be better acknowledged in the European Semester. There is a plausible movement towards the promotion of the value of health and social systems in which prevention and continuity of care and outcomes are of vital importance.

### EFN Report on European Semester Analysis 2016-2020

This EFN report is analysing 2020 in comparison with previous European Semesters & Country Reports (2016-2019) and selecting the relevant information for nurses, nursing and healthcare. The aim of this EFN Report is to be a compilation of all the European Commission's Country Reports entries related to nursing and/or healthcare, for each EU Member State, providing a unique insight in the capacity of the EU healthcare systems. Measures taken by one country that were successful are likely to inform initiatives for improving the healthcare situation in another country.

#### Read it here:

http://anyflip.com/eumpx/ytok/



#### eHealth Stakeholder Group Policy Paper on Interoperability (EFN & HOPE)

This Policy Paper brings together insights from the eHealth Stakeholder Group to explore the question: "which concrete solutions do we identify, and actions could we take, to promote cross-border access to health data and interoperability?", with the co-creation of data spaces and electronic health records as common agenda topics, and the role of the frontline health workforce to make it all happen frontline.

Read it here: <u>http://www.efnweb.be/wp-</u> <u>content/uploads/EFN-lead-eHSG-</u> <u>WG1-Policy-Paper-on-</u> Interoperability-Nov-2021.pdf.pdf

#### Policy Paper on Interoperability

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Key Policy Question: Which concrete solutions do we identify, and actions could we take, to promote cross-border access to health data and interoperability?

#### Purpose and Scope:

- To critically examine interoperability and its implications for healthcare systems and the frontline health workforce. A key focus is on co-creation as essential for the deployment and adoption of digital interoperability.
- Our analysis hinges on the European Commission's webpage 'eHealth: Digital health and care' and related publications which provides a useful insight in the topic.
- The value of health data spaces and the electronic health records is considered. The potential
  of digitalisation of the healthcare sector is articulated. "end-user engagement" as a
  precondition for boosting interoperability in the EU.

Key Focus:

- Data interoperability in healthcare to enhance safety and quality of healthcare provision, while lowering the costs of data transactions. This facilitates the work of frontline healthcare professionals (HCP) and at the same time increases healthcare systems' efficiency and sustainability.
- Interoperability standards to be introduced and applied by all stakeholders involved in the European Health Data Space, in order to ensure comparability and compatibility of health data for both primary and secondary use.
- Trust to be fostered through engaging all relevant stakeholders (including end-users: frontline
  professionals and patients) in the co-design of digital health solutions along with the standards
  organisations, and by harmonised adoption within the European Union and beyond borders.

Originality/value: This Policy Paper brings together insights from a unique group of stakeholders to explore the question: "which concrete solutions do we identify, and actions could we take, to promote cross-border access to health data and interoperability?", with the co-creation of data spaces and

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## EFN Report on the Digitalisation Event at the European Parliament 05 February 2020

Digitalisation has a central place in the EFN lobby work, with a high-level event organised at the European Parliament in February 2020, focussing on 'European Electronic Health Records' thematic. This report gives an overview on the key outcomes of the EFN event.

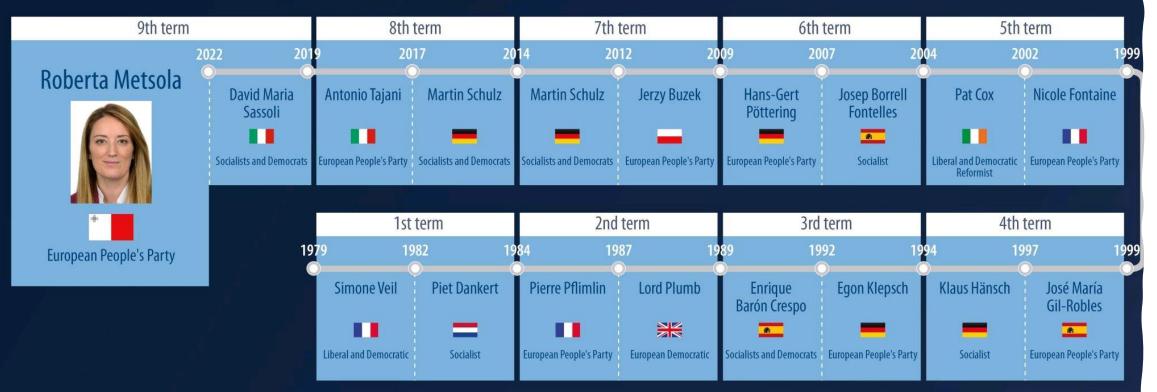
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#### European Parliament, 1979-2024:

## **Presidents of the European Parliament**

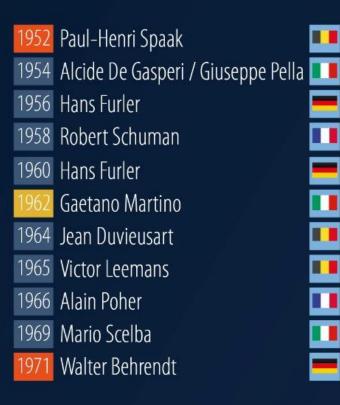




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