



# EHDEN

EUROPEAN HEALTH DATA & EVIDENCE NETWORK

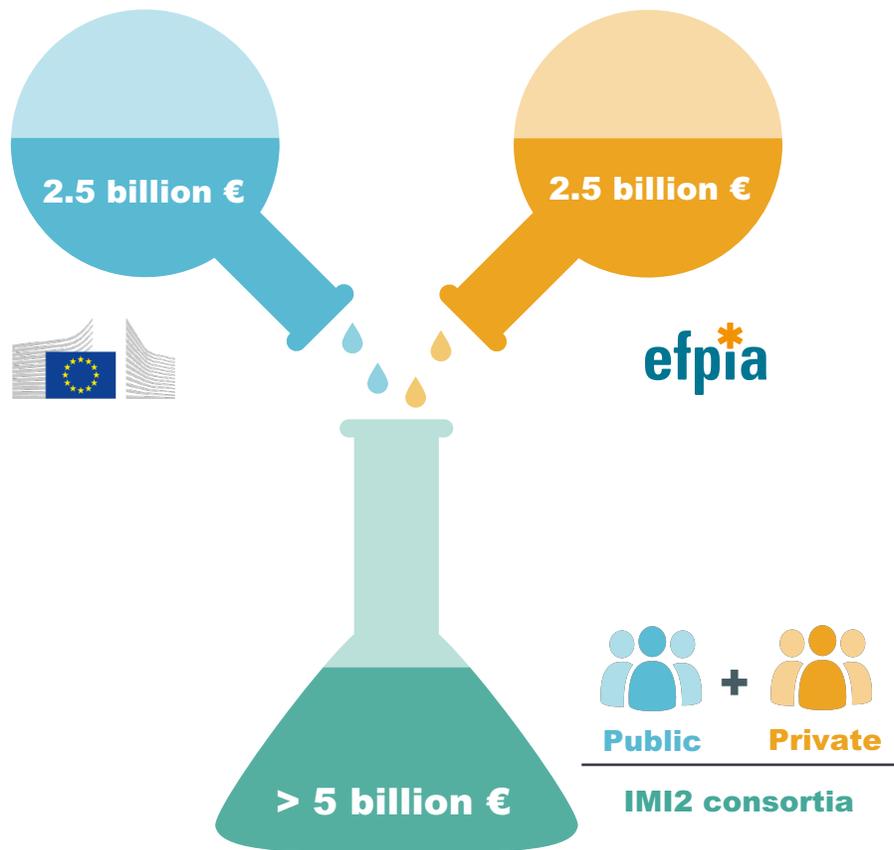
## The European Health Data and Evidence Network (EHDEN) Project

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IMI 1 (2008-2014)  
2 bn € budget  
59 projects

IMI 2 (2014-2024)  
3.3 bn € budget  
More ambitious, more open &  
greater scope



## EHDEN Project Facts

Start date: 1st Nov 2018  
End date: 30th Apr 2024  
Total duration: 66 months



Total budget: 28,917,357€  
IMI2 Funding: 14,105,750€ (7M Harmonization Fund)  
EFPIA contribution: 14,811,607€ (10M Harmonization Fund)



# EHDEN HAD ITS KICK-OFF MEETING IN JANUARY





# EHDEN: VISION AND MISSION



## Vision

The European Health Data & Evidence Network (EHDEN) aspires to be the trusted observational research ecosystem to enable better health decisions, outcomes and care

## Mission

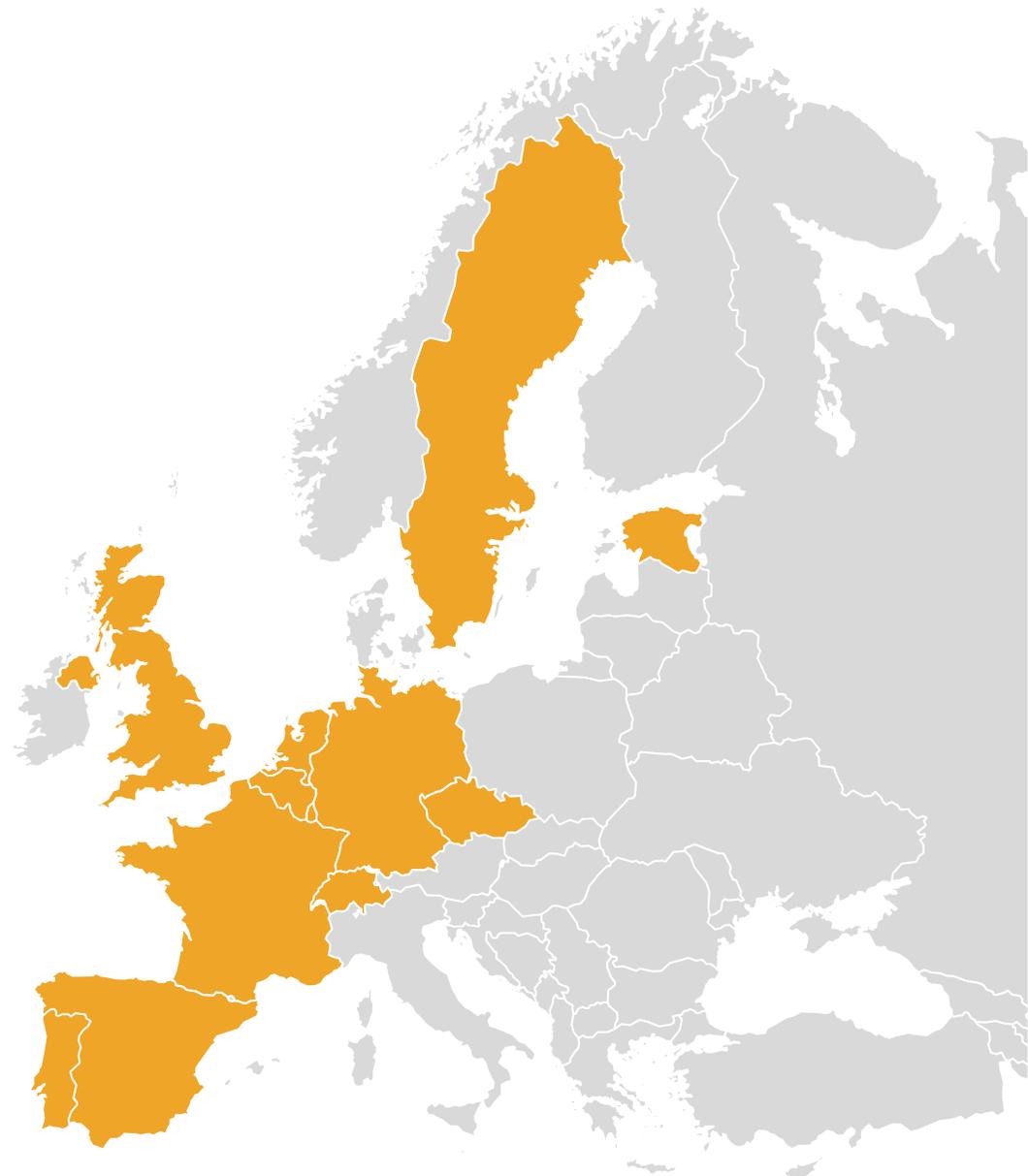
Our mission is to provide a new paradigm for the discovery and analysis of health data in Europe, by building a large-scale, federated network of data sources standardized to a common data model



# EHDEN CONSORTIUM

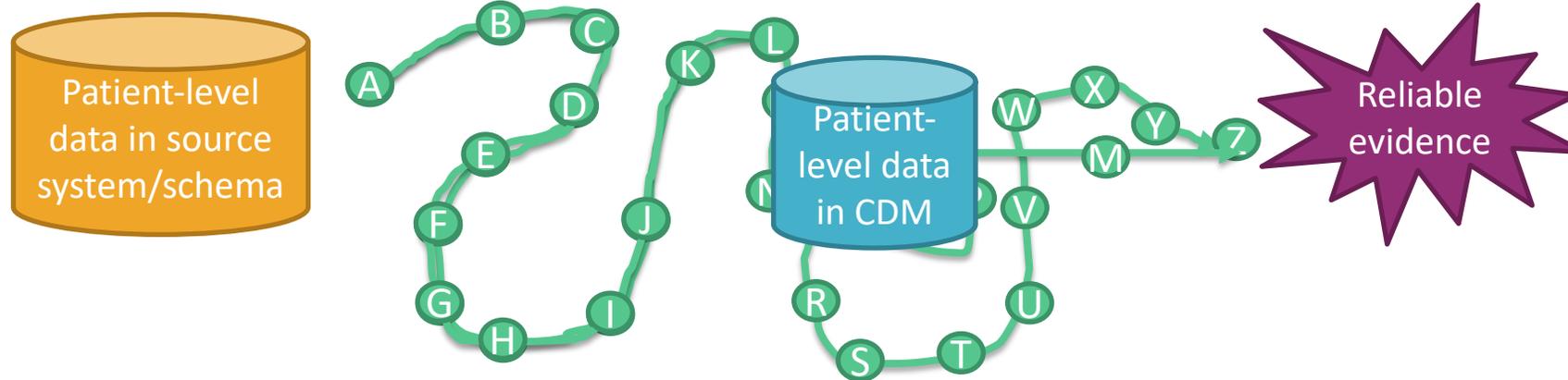


## 22 PARTNERS





# GENERATING RELIABLE EVIDENCE USING THE OMOP CDM



EHDEN will build on expertise and tools from prior IMI projects, such as EMIF, and will collaborate intensively with the global OHDSI community.





# BUILDING THE ECO-SYSTEM: PUTTING THE PIECES TOGETHER





# BUILDING THE ECO-SYSTEM: HARMONISATION

The aim is to map 100 million health records across the EU via a common data model (OMOP), supporting research within a federated network, the BD4BO IMI2 programme, and outcomes-based healthcare



**OHDSI**  
OBSERVATIONAL HEALTH DATA SCIENCES AND INFORMATICS

- Standards development within OHDSI
- Certified & qualified Small to Medium-sized Enterprises (SMEs) in the EU
- Harmonisation fund to support mapping to CDM





# THE EHDEN OPEN CALL PROCESS

EHDEN's Data Source  
Prioritisation Committee governs  
the scope of the open calls for  
data sources.

**Community of data sources**



**Open calls**

Series of in-project calls  
across the EU

Tailored for project  
objectives and sustainability

**Grant awarding**

Grant applications are evaluated  
via a pre-defined set of criteria

Data source prioritisation  
committee, consisting of both  
internal and external experts,  
ranks the grant applications



**EHDEN Harmonisation fund**  
(up to 100 000 € / grant)

Data sources can choose  
the SME they want to work  
with from the pool of  
EHDEN certified SMEs

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SMEs performing  
mappings will be paid by  
the data sources,  
via a grant from the  
harmonisation fund

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Payments are milestone  
based

**Supporting SMEs**



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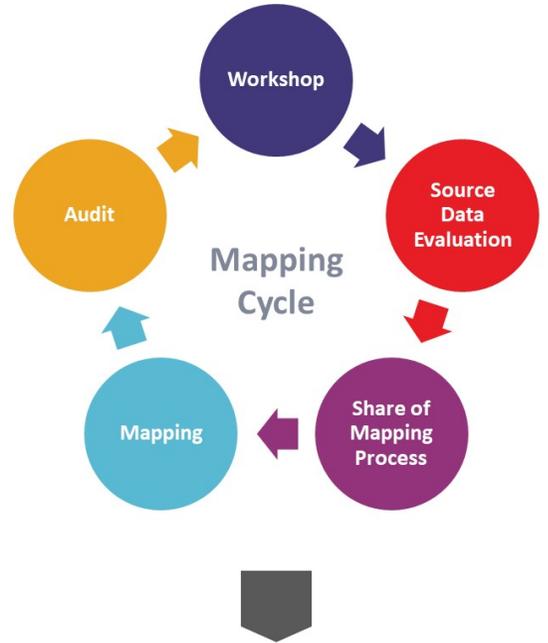
Focusing on SMEs able to  
support mapping and  
sustainability

**Training & Certification**

Training and certification will  
ensure high-quality mapping  
procedures

SME certification committee  
prioritizes SMEs for training and  
certification

Widespread geographic  
coverage of Europe by certified  
SMEs is desired.



Mapped data sources are encouraged to be  
active members of the EHDEN community,  
participating in research studies.



# OPEN CALL FOR DATA SOURCES

- Call will be initiated before the Summer.
- Different types of grants (max 100.000 Euro): Full Mapping, Mapping Extension, Mapping Validation.
- Data Sources from the following countries are eligible:

**EU Member States:** Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Croatia, Cyprus, Czechia, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Ireland, Italy, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Netherlands, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, United Kingdom

**H2020 associated countries:** Albania, Armenia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Faroe Islands, Georgia, Iceland, Israel, Moldova, Montenegro, North Macedonia, Norway, Serbia, Switzerland, Tunisia, Turkey, Ukraine



## What's in it for me?

**Financial support** for uptake, extension and validation of mappings (**EHDEN grants**).

Facilitates **scientific collaboration**, facilitates the connections with peers by becoming part of a thriving **academic network and community**.

**Scientific independence**: freedom to perform studies following own approval procedures.

Increased capability for **analysis** thanks to a host of **open source tools** to use.

**Faster** performing studies, improved performance, accelerated research (months/years to days): undertake **more studies in less time**.

Increased **transparency** of analyses and **reproducibility**, enabling studies to be easily 'transposed' to other data sources for multiplied impact (e.g. in publications).

Increased **visibility** for your data, expanding opportunities to be approached for sponsored studies helping long term sustainability of the data source with stable revenue streams.

Platform for **training** of young researchers and new staff.



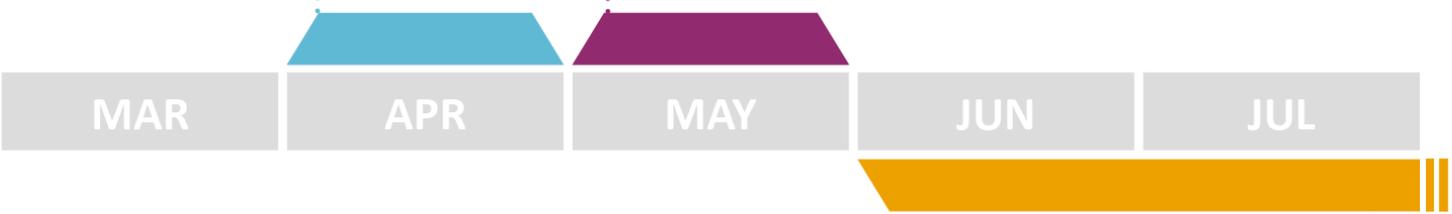
## SME call proces overview

### Open call

You will be able to submit applications for the open call for SMEs from the 1st of April until the 30th of April via the EHDEN website.

### Evaluation

Following an eligibilty check, applications will be evaluated by the SME certification committee.



### Training & Certification

Certification and training of selected SMEs in all necessary competencies.



## Eligibility criteria

The call is open to Small and Medium-sized Enterprises under the official EU definition:

- Less then 250 staff headcount.
- <= 50m € turnover or <= 43m € balance sheet total.
- Legally established as a business and based in an EU member state or H2020 associated country.

For more details, see [bit.ly/EU\\_SME](https://bit.ly/EU_SME)



## What's in it for me?

- Possibility to contribute to a change of paradigm benefiting health of citizens
- Free training and certification
- Expand your existing market
- Contribute to the creation of emerging, new markets for data sciences
- Early adopters will gain a competitive advantage on a specialised skill set
- Short-term income generation to offset skill investment
- Synergic ecosystem facilitates exposure and brand recognition with key stakeholders
- Open source community boosts opportunities





## Training

EHDEN's aim is that all selected SMEs as companies will obtain all the necessary competencies to work with a data source within the EHDEN federated network following the established quality standards.

Training topics include, but are not limited to:

- The EHDEN project and its objectives
- OMOP-CDM and the Standardized Vocabularies
- ETL steps and their implementation with OHDSI tools and approaches developed in EHDEN.
- Fundamentals of proper documentation of the ETL process to assure transparency and reproducibility.
- Expertise in the installation and use of the OHDSI Tools for federated data analyses

The course material will be made available through our online learning platform, the EHDEN academy (<https://academy.ehden.eu>).



## Certification

The final step in the certification program is a face-to-face training and assessment.

Once the SME receives the certificate it obtains the following privileges:

- Member of the EHDEN SME Community
- Listed in the Certified SME Catalogue
- Use of the EHDEN Certification Badge

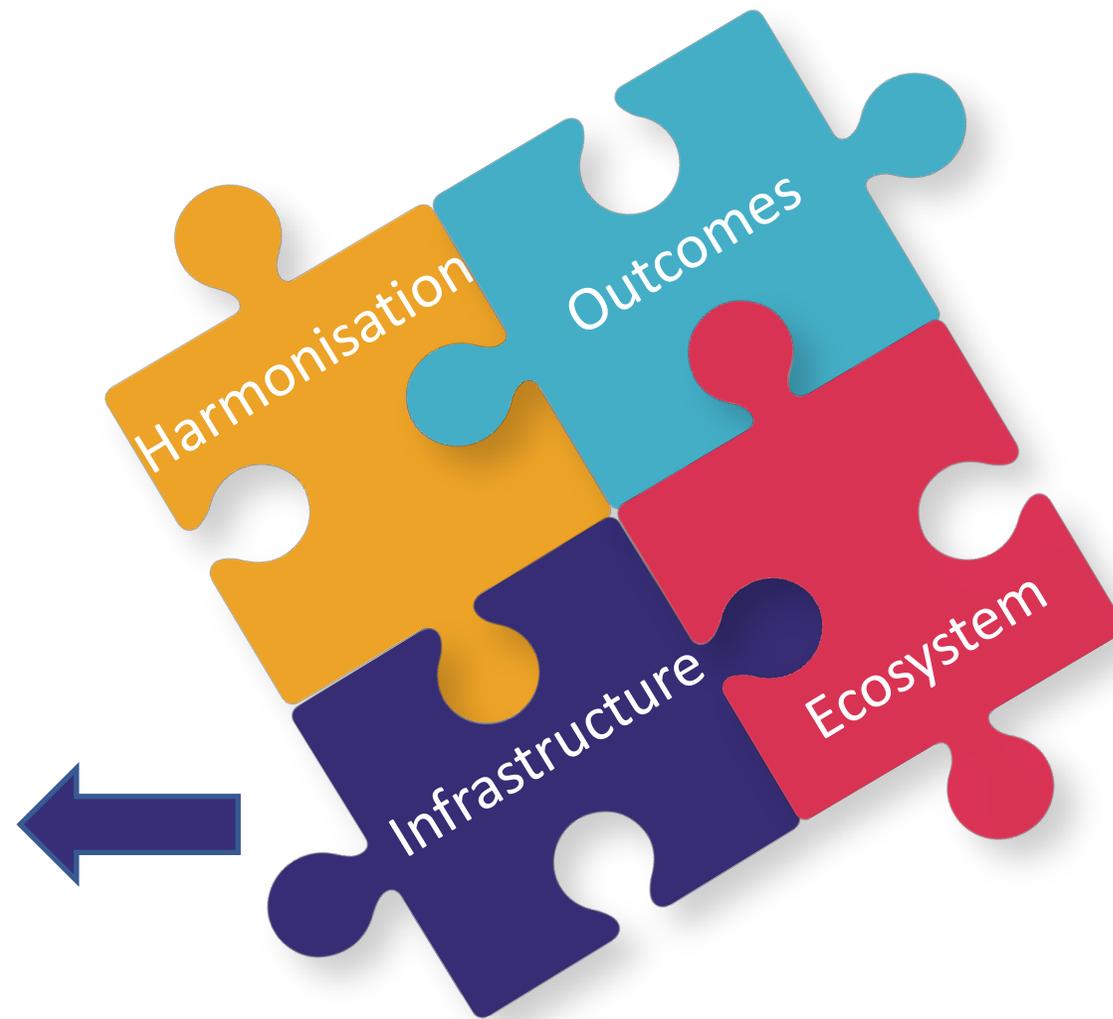
Following certification, SMEs can support and map data sources which have received an EHDEN grant.



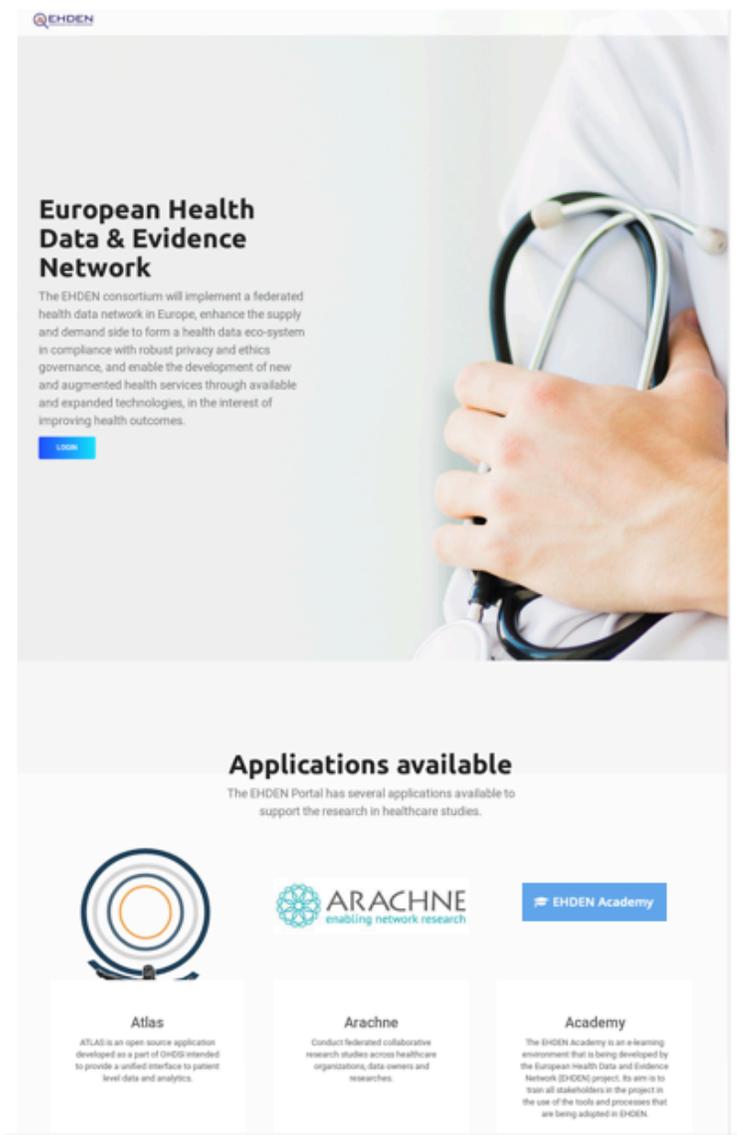


# BUILDING THE ECO-SYSTEM: INFRASTRUCTURE

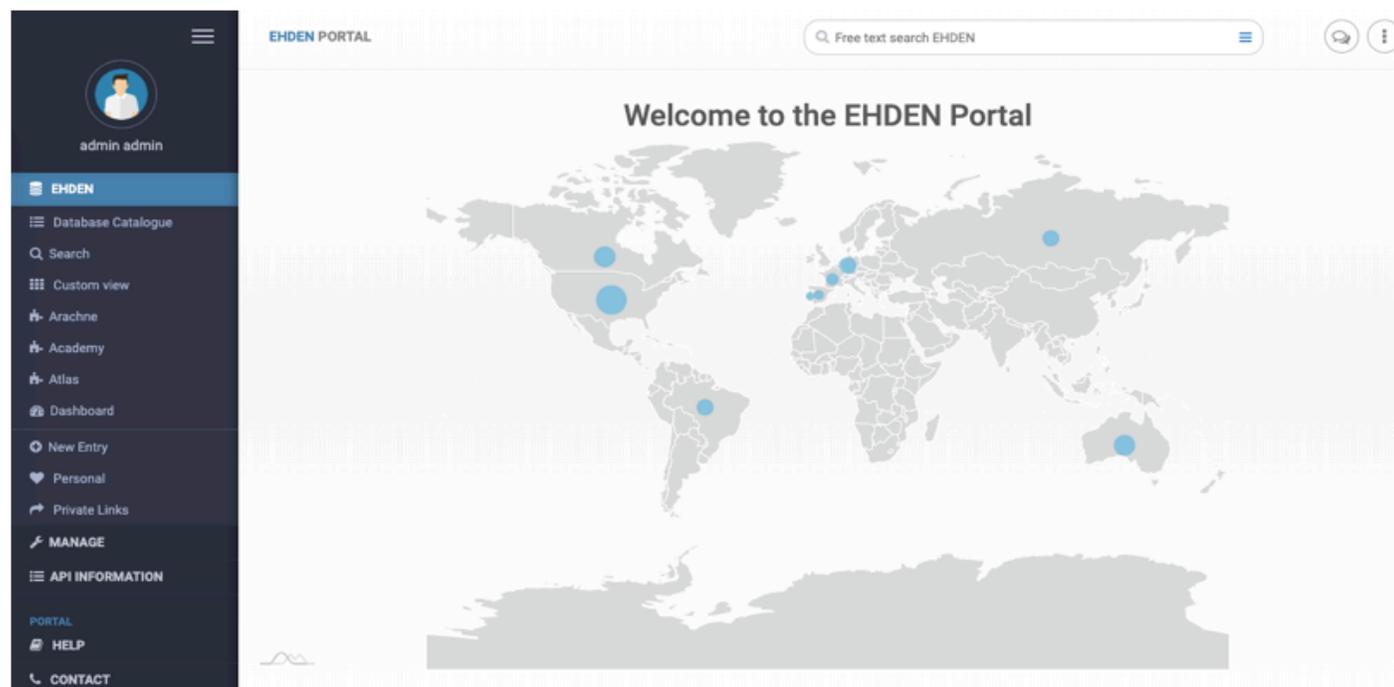
- Build the infrastructure to enable federated studies on an unprecedented scale in Europe
- Leverage and further develop OHDSI and other tools for high quality analyses
- Use Case driven development
- Ensure interoperability on a global level



# WORK IN PROGRESS: THE EHDEN PORTAL



- The EHDEN Portal will integrate all the tools used in EHDEN, e.g. Central Atlas Instance, Arachne Central, EHDEN Academy, etc.
- It will host a Database Catalogue that can be maintained by the data custodians themselves containing a landing page per data with meta data, a questionnaire with, advanced search functionality, documents and publications, etc.
- Authorisation and Authentication using Single Sign On where possible.
- And more..





EHDEN is developing the EHDEN Academy ([academy.ehden.eu](http://academy.ehden.eu)): an online learning platform that will host courses from OHDSI and EHDEN.



It will contain: Video Lectures, Quizzes, SQL Questions, OHDSI-IN-A-BOX VM integration, and more..

There are a number of implicit and explicit conventions that have been adopted in the CDM. Developers of methods that run methods against the CDM need to understand these conventions. The table below shows the most important conventions.

| Field name                 | Purpose  | Example  |
|----------------------------|--|--|
| <entity>_id                | Unique identifiers for entities (row numbers, or IDs imported from source)                 | person_id 1234567<br>visit_occurrence_id 7654321<br>could be a person identifier or an autogenerated number by the CDM builder |
| <entity>_concept_id        | Foreign key into the Standard Vocabulary for Standard Concept                              | condition_concept_id 313217 (SNOMED "Atrial Fibrillation")   |
| <entity>_source_concept_id | Foreign key into the Standard Vocabulary for Source Concept                                | condition_source_concept_id 44821957 (ICD9CM "Atrial Fibrillation")  |
| <entity>_source_value      | Verbatim information from the source data, <b>not to be used</b> by any standard analytics | condition_source_value 427.31 (ICD9CM "Atrial Fibrillation")   |
| <entity>_type_concept_id   | Foreign key into the Vocabulary for the origin of the information                          | condition_type_concept_id 38000199 ("Inpatient header - primary")  |

Which of the following statements is true?

Select one or more:

- a. If we cannot map to a standard code we loose the record
- b. all fields ending with \_concept\_id refer to the VOCABULARY table
- c. an ICD-9 code should be placed in the condition\_source\_value field
- d. a entity\_id value is unique for the domain not for the whole CDM

Check

Question 1  
Correct  
Marked out of 1.00  
Flag question  
Edit question

We like to know how many different vocabularies are available in this CDM? Write a query to get that number.

Answer: (penalty regime: 10, 20, ... %)  
Reset answer

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1 |select count(*) from vocabulary
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Check

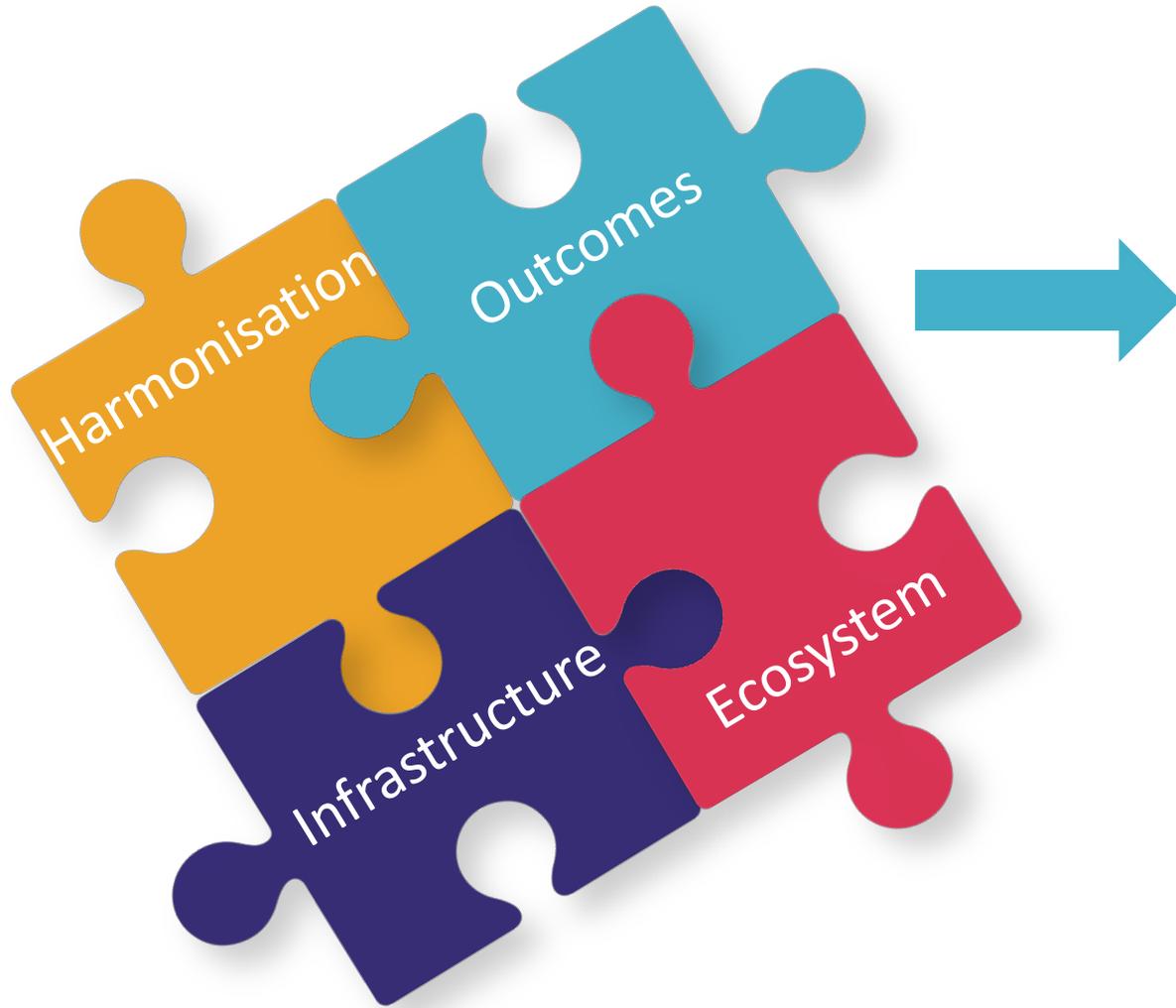
| Expected    | Got       |   |
|-------------|-----------|---|
| ✓ count (*) | count (*) | ✓ |
| 46          | 46        |   |

Passed all tests! ✓

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# BUILDING THE ECO-SYSTEM: OUTCOMES



- Incorporation of outcome standards (ICHOM)
- Supporting outcomes-based research and medicine
- Demonstrate the additive value of EH DEN through use cases



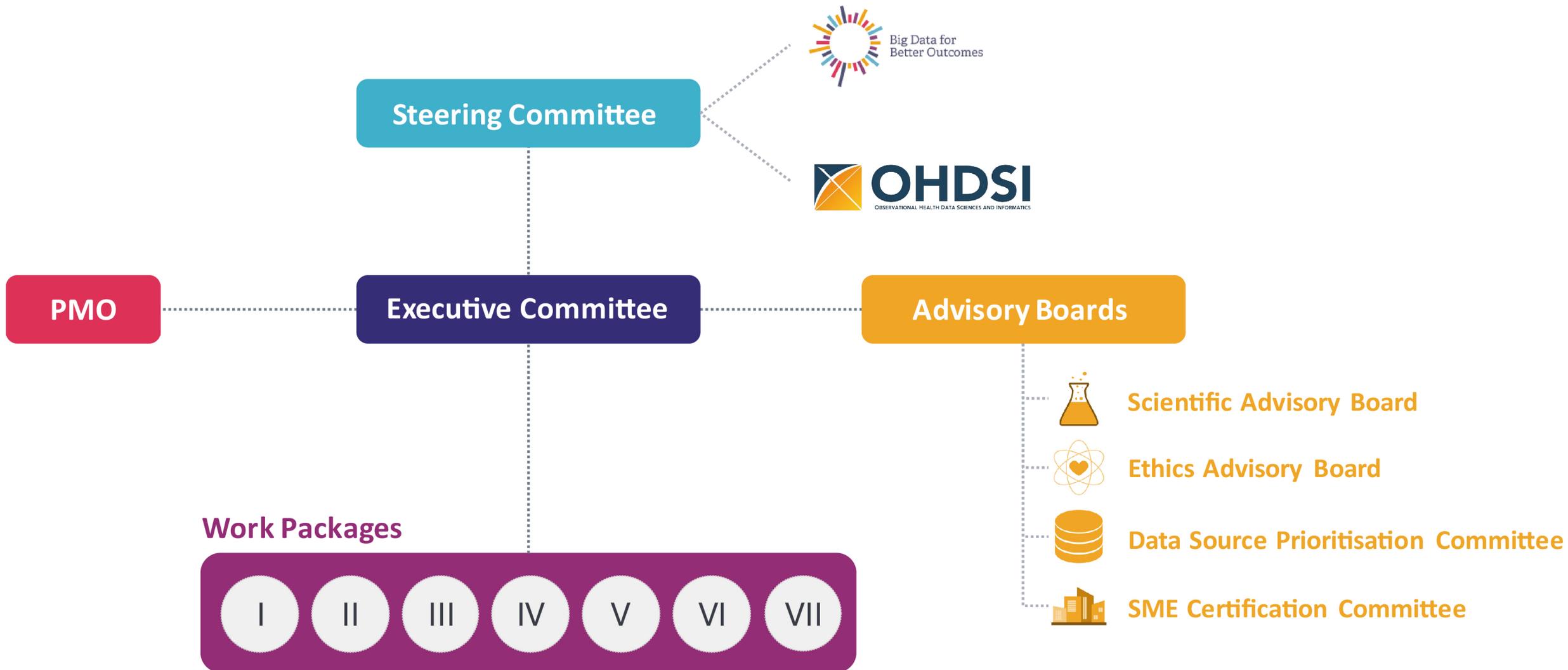
# BUILDING THE ECO-SYSTEM: ECOSYSTEM



- A trusted federated data network expanding beyond EHDEN project lifetime
- European-wide network of certified SMEs
- Enable new and augmented health services during and after EHDEN
- Stimulate active collaboration within the community
- Sustainability is a responsibility of all stakeholders

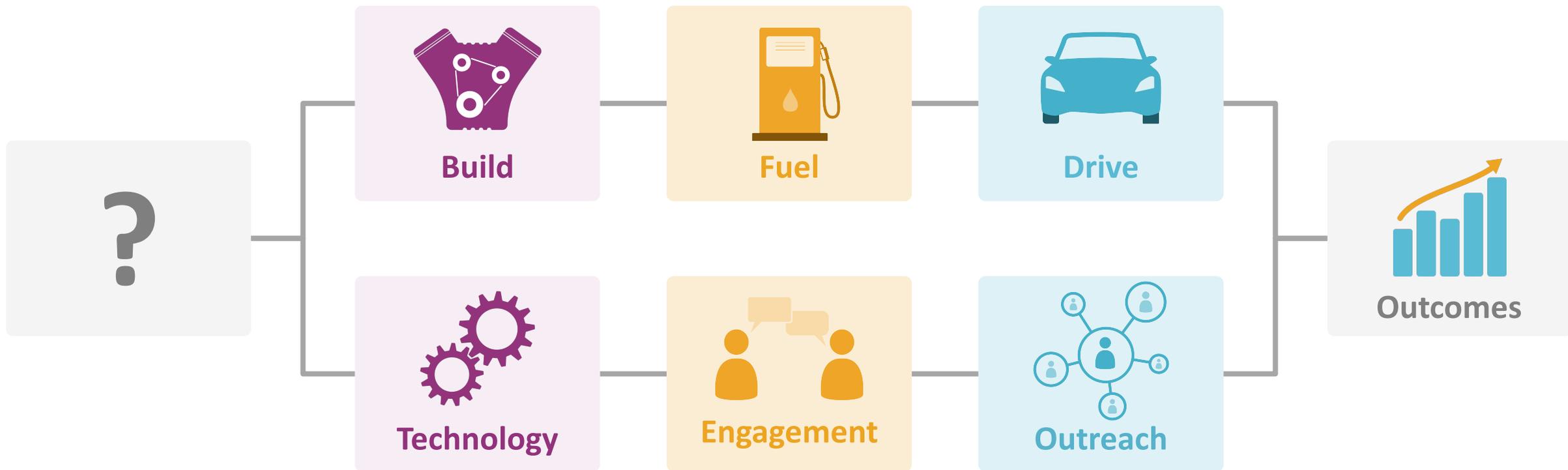


# GOVERNANCE STRUCTURE





# KEY COMPONENTS FOR EHDEN





# WORK PACKAGE STRUCTURE

## WP1: Evidence Workflow Development

Incorporating the use cases for supporting development and validation of the EHDEN socio-technical approach, inclusive of BD4BO projects

## WP4: Technical Implementation

Key priority is socio-technical development of the EHDEN federated framework and relevant services

## WP7: Project Management and Dissemination

Concentrating on intra-project project management, internal communications and external dissemination, and responding to IMI deliverables

## WP2: Outcome Driven Healthcare

Related to all activities specific to e.g. BD4BO projects outcome focus, and ICHOM standards incorporation

## WP5: Data Workflow Implementation & Service Deployment

Development, oversight and evaluation of the ecosystem development from SME qualification/certification to data source engagement, OMOP CDM mapping and evaluation

## WP3: Personalized Medicine

Focusing on the support of outcomes/value based healthcare, inclusive of clinical prediction models, with the incorporation of 'novel' patient data

## WP6: Outreach and Sustainability

Ensuring the development of value propositions for key stakeholders, and developing the sustainable operational model for EHDEN during and post IMI phase



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