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# A NEW EUROPEAN INNOVATION AGENDA REGIONAL INNOVATION VALLEYS

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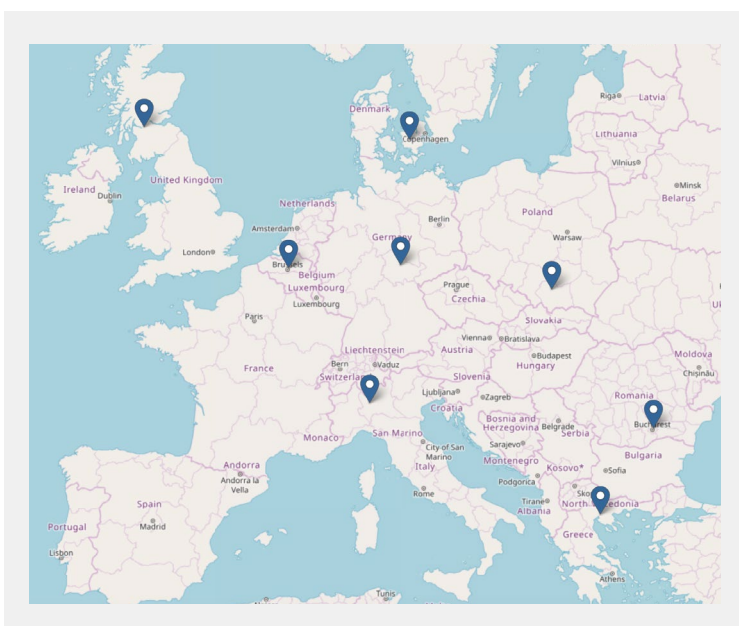
## LEADING THE NEW WAVE OF DEEP TECH INNOVATION

The [New European Innovation Agenda](#) supports Europe in addressing societal challenges, developing new technologies and bringing them to market. It positions Europe at a forefront of deep tech innovation, fostering groundbreaking and inspiring solutions. Europe's leadership, driven by deep tech innovation, will benefit sectors ranging from renewable energy and agri-tech to construction, mobility, and healthcare.

The [Regional Innovation Valleys \(RIVs\)](#) initiative is one of 25 actions of the New European Innovation Agenda. It aims to harness the full innovation potential across Europe, connecting less and more innovative regions and addressing social challenges through cutting edge technology.

Building on their competitive advantages and complementary strengths, involved regions cooperate to bridge the innovation divide and improve Research & Innovation ecosystems.

## PROJECT UNITE - EUROPEAN DIGITAL HEALTH VALLEYS



The [UNITE](#) project is dedicated to advancing digital health technologies to alleviate the pressures faced by healthcare professionals in managing demographic transitions and the emerging "silver economy." By emphasising collaborative and innovative solutions, the UNITE project seeks to address the evolving needs of an aging population and the shortage of healthcare professionals, ultimately enhancing Europe's digital health market and its global competitiveness.

Consortium: [8 partners](#), [8 European regions](#), [7 Member States](#) (BE, IT, EL, DE, DK, PL & RO) and [1 Horizon Europe Associated Country](#) (UK).

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## UNITE

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### OVERALL BUDGET

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### EU CONTRIBUTION

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## OBJECTIVES



Devising a framework consisting of a shared set of methodologies and tools specifically for hospital and care service providers



Setting up an online knowledge base "UNITE Cloud" and online training courses



Evidence-based policy recommendations and roadmap suggestions



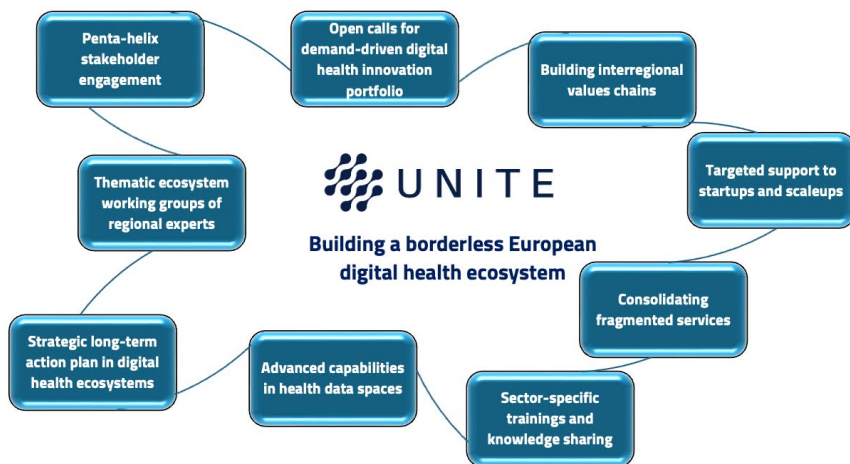
Coordinated planning for public procurement



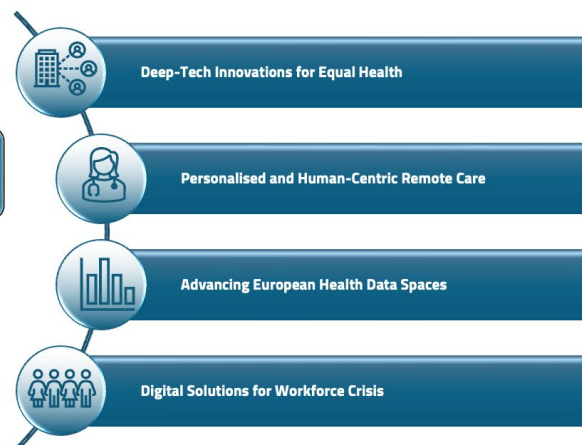
Launch of open calls to select interregional innovation projects in digital health



### Joint Action Plan



### Innovation Challenges



For further information on the figures and notions used in this factsheet, please consult the "[Regional Innovation Valleys webpage](#)"

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