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# European Knowledge Tree Group for eHealth



Dear &lt;&lt;First Name&gt;&gt;

Welcome to our eleventh Newsletter.

## Greetings and Thanks

This is either the final EKTG Newsletter for 2018 or the first for 2019. The EKTG Leadership Group send best wishes to you all for an enjoyable holiday period and for a Happy and successful New Year in 2019. We also want to thank all of you who have contributed to the hard work and efforts to help EKTG be the organisation it is.

Special thanks go to our wonderful International Ambassadors, who are currently developing a series of Webinars which they will run in the spring, and also to the UK Group, who are now forming a small scheme to review services and related services in the East End of London.

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## EKTG Event in the NW England - March 12th, 2019

We are currently planning a small invitation only event in the NW. This event will extend EKTG Actions in the Community including a review of some issues with Housing, Services, their advantages and deficiencies and the increasing need to extend education across sectors to benefit users, service providers and corporates.

If you are interested in being involved in this event please contact Maggie Ellis, EKTG Coordinator at [m.ellis1.lse.ac.uk@icloud.com](mailto:m.ellis1.lse.ac.uk@icloud.com)

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## Working in the digital future — safety and health in 2025

AI, robots, virtual reality, online platforms and other innovations are set to change the ways that people work.

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People are less likely to work in traditional hazardous environments thanks to robotics and automation, while work-related stress and ergonomic risks are likely to be on the increase as a result of trends such as new forms of human-machine interfaces, increased online and mobile work, workers' monitoring and management by algorithms, blurred boundaries between work and private life or more frequent job changes. [Read more.](#)

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### **Government Support Measures for Domestic Air Connectivity**

This report reviews government support measures for domestic air connectivity in Australia, Canada, Japan, Norway, Sweden and the United States. It analyses different approaches to providing regional connectivity in terms of their effectiveness in reaching government policy goals as well as value-for-money considerations. The study was commissioned by the United Kingdom's Department for Transport. [Read more.](#)

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### **Patients with acute heart failure and 'metabolically healthy obesity' have better survival rates**

Acute heart failure patients with 'metabolically healthy obesity' have better survival than those with 'metabolically unhealthy obesity' or with normal weight regardless of metabolic status, according to a study presented at EuroEcho-Imaging 2018. Obese patients had less deterioration in heart structure and function. [Read more.](#)

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### **50% of disabled people from Channel Islands believe government can do more for equality**

Survey showed that some disabled islanders found going into or moving around buildings and facilities difficult. [Read more.](#)

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### **6th Meeting of Thematic Group on 'Smart Villages**

The sixth meeting of the Thematic Group (TG) on Smart Villages brought together key rural development stakeholders from across Europe to exchange ideas on how EU policy

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LEADER, cooperation and the future digital strategies. [Read more.](#)

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### **Recognising outstanding broadband projects across Europe**

Get inspired to develop a project providing access to high-speed broadband internet in your area – browse through this year’s winners of the [European Broadband Awards](#).

Several projects delivering rural broadband in Croatia, Finland, Latvia, Poland, Spain, and the Netherlands have been awarded in the various categories.

This annual competition run by the European Commission highlights projects – big or small, rural or urban, private or public – that have successfully established broadband infrastructures. Explore the winning projects from previous years and a database of good practice examples.

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### **Social innovation in mountain areas**

Find out how rural communities capitalise on the natural and social assets in mountainous areas in terms of community life, living environment, and dynamic approaches to governance in the latest [brochure](#) of the [Horizon 2020](#) project [SIMRA](#).

SIMRA (Social Innovation in Marginalised Rural Areas) is continuously working to identify and disseminate good practice examples of social innovation – explore their online [database](#).

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### **Riina Sikkut: Future of care is digital**

Riina Sikkut, Minister of Health and Labour of Estonia explains the ways digital healthcare can help in tackling social inequalities on life expectancy and the level of unmet needs. [Read more.](#)

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### **Data Protection**

As a result of the EU GDPR, major changes have taken place to UK law relating to data privacy and protection which includes personal information (“data”) which we keep about you.

We have produced a Privacy Notice which deals with:-

- What is Lawful Processing
  - What data does the Group acquire and keep about you
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- Does the Group transfer your data elsewhere
- How long does the Group retain your data
- Your rights

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