

Germany Trade & Invest Webinar Series: Succeed in Germany's Healthcare Market

German Health-IT Markets and their Characteristics

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German Association of Health IT Vendors (bvitg)

- Represents the leading providers of health IT in Germany
 - → Members cover 90 percent of the German health IT market for inpatient and outpatient care
 - → 70 percent of member companies act internationally
- Established partner for government, self-administration and their institutions and organizations



Goals of the German Association of Health IT Vendors (bvitg)

- → Influence the political agenda and health IT legislature
- → Set new incentives and standards
- → Promote the health IT sector
- → Foster knowledge on health IT



Member Companies (alphabetically)

- 1. Aescudata GmbH
- 2. Agfa HealthCare GmbH
- 3. Allgeier Medical IT GmbH
- 4. atacama | Software GmbH
- 5. Cerner Deutschland GmbH
- 6. Cisco Systems GmbH
- 7. Chili GmbH
- 8. CompuGroup Medical Deutschland AG
- 9. Deutsche Telekom Clinical Solutions GmbH
- 10. Deutsche Telekom Healthcare and Security Solutions GmbH
- 11. DMI GmbH & Co. KG
- 12. DGN Deutsches Gesundheitsnetz GmbH
- 13. Duria eG
- 14. d.velop AG
- 15. E&L Medical Systems GmbH
- 16. EviMed Online GmbH
- 17. GE Healthcare
- 18. Health-Comm GmbH
- 19. HMM Deutschland GmbH
- 20. ID GmbH & Co. KGaA
- 21. IMS HEALTH GmbH & Co. OHG

- 22. InterComponentWare AG
- 23. iSOFT Health GmbH a CSC Company
- 24. K|M|S Vertrieb und Services AG
- 25. knowledgepark AG
- 26. KoSyMa GmbH
- 27. Magrathea Informatik GmbH
- 28. MARABU EDV-Beratung und Service GmbH
- 29. medatixx GmbH & Co. KG
- 30. medavis GmbH
- 31. MediaInterface GmbH
- 32. mediDOK Software und Entwicklungs GmbH
- 33. MediSoftware
 Computersysteme für
 Ärzte
- 34. Medizinische Medien Informations GmbH
- 35. MEDNOVO Medical Software Solutions GmbH
- **36. MEIERHOFER AG**
- 37. NEXUS AG
- 38. Nuance Communications
 Healthcare Germany GmbH

- 39. opta data Abrechnungs GmbH
- 40. OSM Gruppe
- 41. PADline GmbH
- 42. Philips GmbH
- 43. RZV Rechenzentrum Volmarstein GmbH
- 44. Saatmann GmbH & Co. KG
- 45. Samedi GmbH
- 46. SAP Deutschland AG & Co. KG
- 47. Siemens AG Healthcare Sector
- 48. T2med GmbH & Co. KG
- 49. TELEKOM Healthcare Solutions
- 50. Thieme Compliance GmbH (ab 01.10.2014)
- 51. VISUS Technology Transfer GmbH
- 52. 3M Health Information Systems
- 53. 4voice AG



conhIT — connecting healthcare IT

- Europe´s biggest industry event in health IT
- Launched in 2008 by the bvitg and its members

- conhlT 2014: May 6 8 in Berlin
 - → 359 exhibitors from 14 countries
 - → 6,495 visitors from 65 countries
 - → 15 Congress sessions
 - → > 150 events in Academy, Congress and Networking
- Partner country 2014: Denmark









conhIT - connecting health IT

- conhIT 2015: April 14 16 in Berlin
- Theme: "Shaping the Future with Health IT"

http://www.conhit.de/en









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Health IT in Germany (I)

- Almost 100 percent of medical practices and hospitals use IT
 - → Vast majority stores patient information electronically
 - → Completely electronic patient records are still uncommon, yet share is growing
- Hospital budget and market volume
 - → Approx. 1.5 2 % of expenditure in hospitals is invested in IT
 - → Market volume: ~ US\$ 1.31 billion



Health IT in Germany (II)

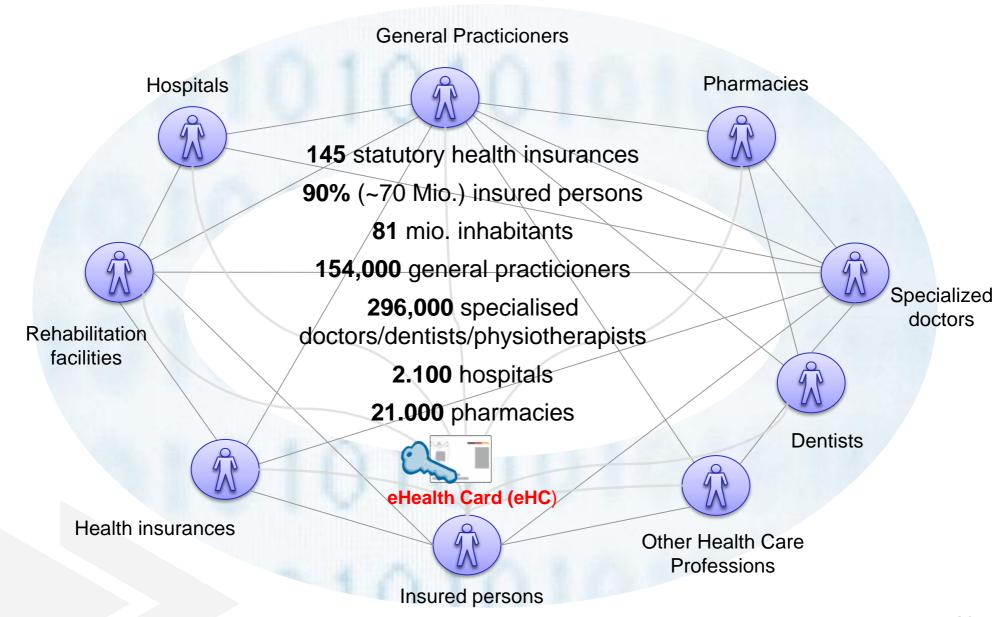
- Approx. 200 vendors of health IT in Germany
 - → Practice IS: ca. 120 vendors; 30 relevant ones; 2 with 55 % market share
 - → HIS: 8 vendors
 - → specialized solutions: approx. 80 vendors
 - → Result: numerous different sets of communication standards



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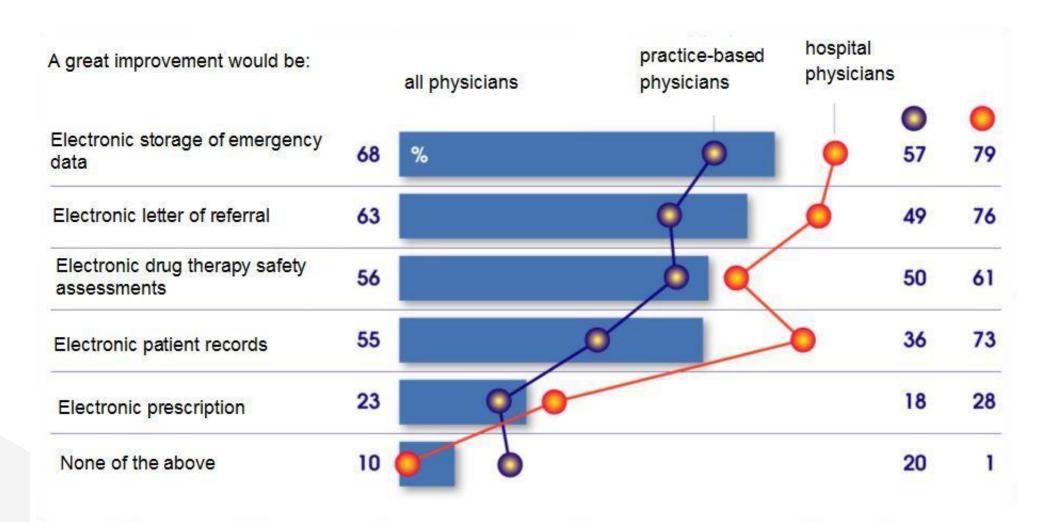


Envisioned German Telematics Infrastructure





Which Health-IT Applications would entail the greatest Improvements?





Relevance of IT solutions for physicians

- Majority of practices-based and hospital-based physicians expect an increase in relevance of the internet for:
 - → Exchange of medical results with colleagues
 - → Knowledge sharing and learning
 - → Development of physician networks and homepage design

(bvitg survey, 2012)



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Challenges for Health IT in Germany (I)

Telematics Infrastructure

- → Structure of gematik does not foster (quick) agreement as stakeholders have different, sometimes conflicting interests
- → Important aspects for further applications, such as requirements, specifications or certification, still open



Challenges for Health IT in Germany (II)

No predictable environment for vendors to develop business cases

- → Return of investment concerning necessary IT solutions
- → Health IT not anchored in laws regulating health care
- → Lack of acceptance especially by care-providers
- → Comparatively low IT budget in Germany: approximately 1.5 to 2 percent of the overall costs-budget in hospitals are spent on IT



Challenges for Health IT in Germany (III)

Interoperability of solutions

- → In absence of agreement on standards and no national institutions with the authority to set standards, there is no nationwide interoperability between all vendor solutions
- → Flagship projects with innovative IT solutions and networks are oftentimes not transferable or lack proper business case



Challenges for Health IT in Germany (IV)

Concerns over data security

- → Strong impact on public debate/acceptance of health IT and the progress of the telematics infrastructure
- → There are generally no central health data registers in Germany, with few exception for certain diseases/aspects of provision (e.g. cancer register)
- → Nothing comparable to the HIPAA rules and procedures in place



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- Health IT is an innovative, growing market with growth rates above growth of GDP (2012: 3.2%; average 0.7%)
- Almost 100 % use of health IT in practices and hospitals
- National Health Telematics Platform as basic infrastructure for identification, security and transport services operational with first applications in 2015
- Many innovative projects and cooperation fostering interoperability between different institutions and vendor solutions
- Recognition of the need for unified interoperability standards; hope for agreement in coming years
- International Exchange and Mutual Learning Important!
- eHealth Act expected early 2015 →?



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