To bridge the gap between the MEDICAL GUIDELINE- and COMPUTER SCIENCE world

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Bridging the Gap between Different Worlds:

Establishing an International Guidelines Network

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In recent years, guidelines and protocols have gained support as the vehicles for promoting best practices in clinical medicine. They offer the possibilities of reducing unwarranted practice variations, of containing cost while maintaining quality of care, and of defining standards of care for quality assurance purposes. These promises have led to an explosion of guideline publications. Yet studies have shown that dissemination and effective use of guidelines in clinical care remain a major bottleneck.

In 2001 the Council of Europe recommended to promote intern. networking between organisations producing evidence-based health information. In June 2002 the idea of an International Guidelines Network was discussed during the CPG2002 Symposium in Berlin, Germany. During June to October 2002 a working group representing 11 organisations from 8 countries developed a draft constitution for The Guidelines International Network G-I-N.

In November 2002 the G-I-N Founding Committee consented on a constitution and established an executive board.

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G-I-N Background

Organisational Members

51 Organisations
26 Countries
(April 2004)
G-I-N Membership

FULL Membership:
- Non-for-profit-organisations

ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP:
- For-profit-organisations
- Individuals working in the field of CPGs

G-I-N Goals

1. Information sharing, knowledge transfer, collaborative working
2. Improvement, harmonisation of methodologies for CPG development, dissemination, implementation, evaluation
3. Support of research
4. Coordination with other health care quality initiatives

More than a website

Clinical Guidelines...
- Database
- Training material
- Implementation
Components of G-I-N’s Database-driven Website

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WEB SERVER

WEB SITE

G-I-N DATABASE

Users

WEB SITE TEMPLATES

Writer, Editor, Reviewer

G-I-N EDITORIAL TOOL
**G-I-N’s Strategic Direction**

Promoting intern. collaboration in CPG activities

- Continuously updating and enhancing the INTERNATIONAL GUIDELINE LIBRARY (www.g-i-n.net)
- Developing RECOMMENDATIONS for CPG use (f.e. for the adaptation of CPGs between countries)
- Developing international programmes on CPG topics:
  - Background documentation / evidence tables
  - Consumers/ patients and evidence
  - Dissemination and implementation
  - Electronic decision support
  - Guideline research
  - Integrating CPGs with reviews, HTA, economic analysis

**Mission Statement**

G-I-N seeks to improve the quality of health care by promoting systematic development of clinical practice guidelines and their application into practice, through supporting international collaboration.
2nd Guidelines International Network Conference

Evidence in Action

1 – 3 November 2004
Wellington, New Zealand