EuroScan Mission

• EuroScan International Network is the leading global collaborative network that collects and shares information on innovative technologies in healthcare in order to support decision-making and the adoption and use of effective, useful and safe health-related technologies.

• EuroScan is also the principal global forum for the sharing and development of methods for the early identification and early assessment of new and emerging health-related technologies and predicting their potential impact on health services and existing technologies.

• EuroScan International Network is committed to work with a high level of transparency and professionalism, and in partnership with researchers, research centres, governments and international organisations to produce high quality information and effective early awareness and alert systems for our respective constituencies. We are also committed to support the development of existing and new not-for-profit public agencies working in the early awareness and alert field.
EuroScan Vision

- EuroScan International Network will form the leading global network for public institutions working on the identification and early assessment of new and emerging technologies in healthcare to support decision-making and the adoption and use of innovative technologies to the benefit of patients and health services.
EuroScan Goals

• To establish a system to share skills and experience in Early Awareness and Alert activities.
• To strengthen activities for the development of methodological approaches to the identification, description and assessment of emerging technologies.
• To improve the exchange of information about new and emerging health technologies and their potential impact on health services and existing health technologies.
• To increase the impact of EuroScan International Network’s output.
• To identify relevant not-for-profit public partners in order to share the results of work with partners/members of the EuroScan International Network collaboration.
• To advise not-for-profit organisations within public administrations who wish to consider the establishment of early awareness and alert activities.
EuroScan Membership

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Membership is open to any agency that:

• is developing, or has, a programme for the early identification and assessment of emerging, new or changing health technologies;
• has an ongoing, officially recognised role in relation to regional or national government;
• is a non-profit organisation;
• is at least 50 per cent funded from public sources;
• has no link, other than scientific, with commercial companies or R&D centres;
• is transparent about their founding and financing in their membership application, and
• commits to support the EuroScan mission.
EuroScan Members (1)

- 18 members representing agencies in 14 different counties
- Members in 4 continents: Africa, Australia, Europe and North America
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Adoption and diffusion

Adoption

Technology → Technology use

Diffusion

Technology use → Impact

Diffusion %
Life cycle of technology

- Future technology – technology not yet developed
- Emerging technology – technology prior to adoption
- New technology – technology in the phase of adoption
- Accepted technology – technology in general use
- Obsolete technology – technology that should be taken out of use
The HTA sequence

- Basic biomedical research
- Translational research
- Safety and efficacy
- Effectiveness and cost-effectiveness
- General clinical use

- Primary data collection
- Pragmatic trials
- Horizon-scanning & early awareness
- Reviews
- Cochrane reviews