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Communiqué

SHOULD WE NATIONALIZE HEALTH IT ?

At a time when in France, all the industrial indicators are flashing bright red – and among them, those of Health Information Systems – the idea of nationalizing HIS could appear as iconoclastic. Things being as they are, this one of the proposed alternatives in the « [Open letter to the future President of France](#) » that LESISS just sent to the two finalist candidates.

In a recent press release, the LESISS Federation announced the publication of a first warning in April, as well as a paper on data sharing in health, due for June. This "Open Letter" to the candidates to the presidential election constitutes the first part of this announcement.

In a devastated HIS market, LESISS wishes to give a strong alarm through the prism of the hospitals sector. In this specific domain, the recurring weakness of the clients and poor investments levels which makes France sink on and on, thus lagging behind all the other European countries, combine themselves with a reinforced competition of public actors and draw the market at the bottom of the tables.

Those public entities, not to speak of the hospitals themselves, work in a closed circle, playing a part of consultants and providers as well, or implementing health data hosting centers with national and industrial ambitions. When, at the same time, you can see a dramatic lack of human resources and a strong increase of the number of patients queuing, is it really sensible ?

It is a fact that maintaining a statu quo, with the kind neutrality of the Administration, will build up to a number of obstacles likely to compromise the future :

- an imbalanced competition, favorizing the opacity of a under-dimensioned market ;
- Lack of a process of control and monitoring, such as provided by the Public Markets Act which has been twisted by some out of date derogations ;
- embezzlement of taxes, feeding a loss of earnings for the Government ;
- making worse the public health risk connected to HIT in weakened hospitals ;
- increased involvement of public operator or even more, of hospitals, at a time when a wide number of those hospitals are not able to ensure their basic missions for the benefit of the patients

To conclude, the choice is quite simple : change nothing, letting so backwardness and disintegrations increase ; push up the rationale at its extremes and nationalize HIT ; or to change the paradigm, for the benefit of the community. **LESISS pleads for this last way of action !** Let us build a Health Information System at the level of our fellow citizens' needs. Together.

ABOUT



LESISS – (Les Entreprises des Systèmes d'Information Sanitaires et Sociaux www.lesiss.org) is an association created in 2005 by about twenty CEO, and reassembles now more than 130 members. LESISS thus includes most of Health IT and homecare industrials. Major international actors and small specialized companies participate in order to build, through a wide concertation with the Administration and its operators, as well as with representatives of health professionals and of Patients Associations, the set of tools which will allow a larger and fair availability of the whole health system, for the benefit of our fellow citizens.. Those tools, developed on the basis of IT and communications technologies, are aimed at making easier a reduction of sanitary disparities and last, at constituting a main factor of the emergence of an industry oriented towards the international market.

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