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The Hon. Riina Sikkut Minister Ministry of Health Republic of Estonia

Dear Riina,

It is my honour to congratulate you on your reappointment as Heath Minister under the new government, the refreshed mandate clearly demonstrates the trust and confidence that your party and the coalition government have in your experience, professionalism and dedication to the benefit and well-being of the people and the country.

I have also the pleasure to inform you that workshop on "AI in Smart Healthcare", organized by Taiwan's International Cooperation and Development Fund (ICDF), will take place from October 23 to November 5 in Taiwan this year.

As smart hospitals and digital medical administration have become trends in global healthcare system, the application of IoT and AI is drastically improving healthcare research and outcomes by producing more accurate diagnoses enabling more personalized treatments. The said workshop is an ideal platform intended for introducing Taiwan's medical IoT that streamlines administrative tasks by using electronic records, health information systems, remote medicine, automated logistics and explores precision medicine's role in diagnosis and risk reduction.

Designed to improve the capacity of smart healthcare technology to support medical decision-making and optimize operational processes and to introduce situations where AI assist in the interpretation of medical images, the workshop is ideal for experience sharing and robust discussions among health officials, directors of medical institutions, representatives of non-governmental organizations and international organizations. ICDF will be responsible for providing attendee with round-trip economy class air ticket, lodging, meals, local transportation and daily stipend of NT\$700(€20) during their stay in Taiwan.



On behalf of the ICDF, I am writing to invite one senior official, or expert of your esteem ministry involving health, social welfare, medical care or smart healthcare to participate in this event with the aim of promoting bilateral medical cooperation between our two countries.

Enclosed please find more information of the said event for your kind reference. **Application should be made via the office no later than September 3, 2024**. Please do not hesitate to contact me at +371-2327-1829; email:hclee@mofa.gov.tw, or my colleague Ms. Grace Wang at +371-2800-9946; email: hwwang@mofa.gov.tw, should you have any further inquiries.

I look forward to working closely with you and your ministry to further strengthen cooperation and partnership in public health and medical care for the mutual benefits of our two countries and peoples. I avail myself of this opportunity to renew to you the assurances of my highest consideration.

Sincerely yours,

Andrew H. C. Lee Representative

Encl.: a/s

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Mr. Mati Murd, Director, Asia and the Pacific Region, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Republic of Estonia

Hon. Kristo Enn Vaga, Chairman of the Estonia-Taiwan Friendship of the Riigikogu, Republic of Estonia

Hon. Marko Mihkelson, Chairman of Foreign Affair Committee of the Riigikogu, Republic of Estonia

Hon. Madis Timpson, Chair of Social Affairs Committee of the Riigikogu, Republic of Estonia

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Workshop on Al in Smart Healthcare (II)

Date: 23 October - 5 November, 2024
Application deadline: 6 September, 2024

*Invitation required: Through the R.O.C (Taiwan) embassies, representative offices or Taiwan technical missions.







Overview

This workshop showcases Taiwan's experiences in smart healthcare and Alassisted precision medicine. According to WHO report in 2020, the global healthcare workforce is overworked and under-resourced, which could be overcome through greater technology integration. For example, Taiwan's advanced medical and ICT industries have pioneered new healthcare technologies to reduce costs, increase efficiency, and improve the quality of care. Additionally, medical AI has seen significant growth in recent year, especially in precision medicine where physicians use AI analyses in clinical pathology and radiology. By completing this workshop, participants will gain practical insights to implement in their home countries.

Objectives

- Introduce situations where AI can assist in the interpretation of medical images, serving as an adjunct to physicians
- Improve capacity to use smart healthcare technology to support medical decision-making and optimize operational processes

Contents

- Smart Hospitals and Digital Medical Administration: IoT integration into healthcare has spurred telemedicine, enhancing service efficiency in remote areas. This workshop showcases medical IoT, which streamlines administrative tasks using electronic records, health information systems, and automated logistics.
- Using AI Technology to Enhance Precision Medicine: The workshop explores precision medicine's role in diagnosis and risk reduction, featuring AI-aided systems used in chest X-ray analysis, cardiovascular risk models, and AR systems for spinal surgery.

Issues this workshop will address

- How can technology improve the administrative efficiency of medical institutions and reduce costs?
- How can Al support physician diagnoses, and what are the legal considerations?

Who may apply

- Background: Mid-to-high level officials from Ministries of Health and Welfare, managers of medical institutions, and members of nongovernmental or international organizations
- Fields of Expertise: Health and wellness, social welfare, medical care, and smart healthcare industry



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