IHE Europe Connectathon 2014 registration opens on December 1st, 2013

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December 1, 2013 - IHE-Europe's annual Connectathon, the five days interoperability testing "marathon", is coming to Vienna, Austria from April 7th to 11th, 2014.

The IHE Connectathon provides all companies, large and small, the opportunity to test their products across a variety of domains including Radiology, Cardiology, Pathology, Patient Care Devices, Patient Care Coordination, Pharmacy, Laboratory, Dental and crucial IT Infrastructure, along with those of their peer vendors.

In recent years, the industry has seen national, regional and hospital tender procedures demand current independent demonstrations of IHE profile implementation competency by vendors and an increasing number of buyers are turning to the IHE Product Registry (http://product-registry.ihe.net) and Connectathon results pages (http://connectathon-results.ihe.net), as part of their decision making process.

In addition to the regular IHE-Europe Connectathon registration fee, which is Euro 4.400 per system, irrespective of the number of actors/profiles that will be tested, the 2014 Connectathon will offer a new service option for participating companies. At first, the whole process of participating may be overwhelming and many companies struggle with the decision to take their system with the developed IHE profiles to the Connectathon. "What tests do I need to do? What tools to use for that? How to install them? When things go wrong and issues appear, who can I go to for advice?" To overcome this confusion and anxiety and to provide support and answers to such questions, IHE-Services offer an optional consultancy service to participating vendors. A hot-line to the knowledge base in the IHE-Services team will be provided during the entire preparation process leading up to the actual testing week in Vienna. Detailed guidance will be provided on all the steps needed to be successful with IHE profile implementations at the Connectathon. The knowledge and competency of the IHE-Services team is available to coach vendors' development team through the preparation steps.

Registration for the CAT2014 in Vienna, opens December, 1st 2013 and will close on January, 17th 2014.

For more information on IHE-Europe Connectathon 2014 go to http://connectathon2014.ihe-europe.net

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About IHE-Services
IHE-Services is the operational unit of IHE-Europe dedicated to the fulfilment of its mission. It is a professional testing team supporting IHE-Europe's members and beneficiaries that want to build trust in the deployment of IHE profiles in their solutions and projects. Services provided are the development of customised validation and conformance test tools, organisation of test sessions and demonstrations, training and consultancy on implementation of the IHE profiles in beneficiary's projects / programs. Beneficiaries are national or regional e-health projects, IT users in hospitals or vendors developing new products. IHE-Services offers a unique suite of tools and services used during the connectivity marathons, or Connectathons, worldwide.

About IHE-Europe
The mission of IHE-Europe is to improve patient care by advancing the interoperability of healthcare IT systems and the appropriate sharing of relevant information. Towards that end, IHE-Europe conducts education, testing, demonstrations and other activities promoting the deployment within Europe of systems compliant with the IHE Technical Frameworks developed by IHE International. IHE-Europe also recruits healthcare professionals and solution developers to participate in the development of these specifications and promote their appropriate use in Europe. IHE-Europe interacts with relevant governmental and non-governmental organisations in Europe. It also maintains close contacts with similar initiatives around the world.

About IHE-Austria
Since 2007 it has been IHE Austria's goal to accelerate the integration of IT- and medical engineering in the Austrian health care sector. IHE Austria plays an important role in the realisation of the Austrian electronic health record (ELGA) and continuously promotes the advantages of eHealth to increase the quality, effectiveness and efficiency of healthcare. Its members span the whole health care sector and the executive board consists of representatives of users and vendors. In 2011 IHE Austria started organising the IHE DAY, which has since evolved into being one of the most important symposiums of its kind in the German speaking region.