IHE Conformity Assessment Reduces Risks and Deployment Costs

The interoperability of healthcare information systems is one of the most important challenges facing users and suppliers of healthcare solutions. For widely used **IHE Profiles** both within hospitals and for regional/hospital health records sharing **IHE International** has established **IHE Conformity Assessment.**

IHE Conformity Assessment is ideal for the acquistion of new products or upgrades to existing products with requirement to comply with **IHE Profiles. Conformity Assessment** testing is based on an ISO/IEC 17025 quality system in accordance with **IHE International Conformity Assessment**. This enables the buyers in their procurement to have confidence that the product they are purchasing from a vendor has been subjected to rigorous testing for their interoperability and compliance to the selected **IHE Profiles**.

→ **Learn more about the programme at http://ihe.net/Conformity-Assessment/**

"IHE Conformity Assessment is a positive development"

When I look at my field of expertise – Pharmacy – we have no uniform classification for drugs on a world-wide level, for instance. Furthermore, available drugs and pharmacological ingredients are different at different dosages from one country to another. On the medical side, clinical symptoms may be assessed differently and lead to different therapeutic managements. But convergence is on the horizon. It is a step-by-step approach, and **IHE Conformity Assessment** plays an important role in all of this."

Jacqueline Surugue,
Past Co Chair User of IHE-Europe and IHE-Pharmacy

Benefits → End Users

→ Reduces testing and integration efforts, with eHealth projects specifying and procuring conformity-assessed products.

→ Provides confidence that the suppliers have independent proof of their products' interoperability.

→ Reduces risks and deployment costs – using proven accredited testing laboratories to validate products before installed in an organisation or facility.

→ Improves patient outcomes through better and more consistent product quality.