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### IHE Connectathon Moves to Bern, Switzerland



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The 12th Annual European interoperability testing event for IT in healthcare, known as the IHE Connectathon, will be held in Bern, Switzerland from May 21 to May 25, 2012 at the Bern Expo.

More than 300 information technology engineers from 70 companies are expected for this year's event, an intensive, live five-day 'connectivity marathon' for testing the interoperability and connectivity of health information systems. At the IHE Connectathon all companies implementing IHE Technical Framework Profile specifications in their products have an exclusive opportunity to test their applications with systems and products from other vendors.

In parallel with these testing activities, Connectathon 2012 will offer a full programme of workshops and meetings bringing together key stakeholders from European health IT projects including a major eHealth day conference on May 24. The results of the Connectathon are published on the IHE-Europe website and participating vendors may refer to the IHE Integration Statements to show compliance of their products with IHE Integration Profiles. This is a clear benefit to vendors when responding to Requests for Proposals from users.

Further information can be found on [www.ihe-europe.net](http://www.ihe-europe.net)

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