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Bridging the European Care Gap: EVOLVE2CARE Project Launches to Revolutionize Transitional Care Through Standardized Living Labs

THESSALONIKI — A pan-European consortium led by the Aristotle University of Thessaloniki (AUTH) has officially launched **EVOLVE2CARE** (Engaging the Value Of Living Labs to Innovate Care And Regulatory Environments). Funded by the European Union's Horizon Europe programme ([Grant Agreement 101158152](#)), the project addresses the critical fragmentation in European “transitional care”—the vulnerable period between hospital discharge and home-based recovery. By leveraging the “Value of Living Labs,” EVOLVE2CARE aims to ensure that HealthTech innovation is no longer stifled by regulatory silos but is instead fostered in real-world, evidence-validated environments.

Transitional care remains a primary pain point for European health sovereignty. Current systems struggle with patient continuity, leading to readmissions and increased fiscal pressure. EVOLVE2CARE responds by standardizing the way HealthTech is tested and validated, ensuring cross-border interoperability and regulatory readiness from the outset.

Key Project Objectives

- **Standardize Experimentation:** Establish a unified European framework for HealthTech testing in real-life settings.
- **De-risk Innovation:** Identify and mitigate legal, fiscal, and operational barriers preventing market entry.
- **Establish a Digital Marketplace:** Launch the [AccelUP platform](#) to match HealthTech SMEs with specialized testing sites.
- **Validate Impact:** Demonstrate efficacy through real-world pilot cases across three primary healthcare use cases.

The project now enters its foundational analytical phase, mapping the systemic barriers that currently prevent DeepTech solutions from moving from the laboratory to the bedside.

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About EVOLVE2CARE

EVOLVE2CARE is a Coordination and Support Action (CSA) dedicated to strengthening HealthTech experimentation in transitional care. The consortium brings together five leading organisations: Aristotle University of Thessaloniki (AUTH), the European Network of Living Labs (ENoLL), Sploro, Anthology Ventures, and VILABS.

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