

CHIME opens first European chapter



The College of Healthcare InformationManagement Executives (CHIME) and Associazione Italiana Sistemi Informativi in Sanità (AISIS) have announced that they have opened a **CHIME chapter in Italy**. This is the first CHIME chapter to be launched in Europe and the second international chapter to be established under CHIME.

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"I believe the Italian healthcare system will truly benefit from the AISIS-CHIME journey we started with our partnership," Giuliano Pozza, President of AISIS told HealthManagement.org. "The Italian Digital Health ecosystem is changing fast, with powerful forces driving toward consolidation both in public and private institutions. Value-based and continuum-of-care service models are emerging, and the digital enabling platforms are vital to the ongoing transformation. This is a major disruption at every level, from organisations to processes to technologies."

CHIME is a membership-based organisation serving more than 2,800 Chief Information Officers (CIOs) and senior healthcare executives in 51 countries. The body offers online and in-person educational and networking opportunities as well as accreditation through a domestic and international CHIME Certified Healthcare CIO (CHCIO) programme. AISIS has about 500 members ranging from CIOs to non-technical eleaders who participate in **professional development and training programmes through AISIS**. The chapter partnership will allow AISIS and CHIME to promote and deliver CHIME's educational and accreditation services across Italy.

"Since we first met with Russ in 2018, it was apparent to us that to be part of a worldwide network, with international training and learning opportunities and the possibility to share experiences with colleagues from other countries, was an imperative step for AISIS members to master the complexities of the transformation we are living," added Pozza.

"Learning together and sharing best practices lets us focus on innovations that are truly transforming health and care, and then implement them widely so many people around the world can benefit," Russell Branzell, President and CEO of CHIME.

CHIME has also signed letters of intent with organisations in Canada, the UK, Ireland, and in German-speaking communities in Austria, Belgium, Germany, Liechtenstein, Luxembourg and Switzerland. In 2017, CHIME opened its first international chapter with the launch of CHIME India.

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