

# The European Medical Technology Industry Association – MedTech Europe (TEI)

Extension of the Conference Vetting System to Middle East

## Quick facts for this project:

Country of implementation:	Middle East and North Africa Region
Duration (in years):	3 years
Funding volume in US-Dollar (million):	0.85 M
Registered in:	Belgium

## Project Summary

The project's goal is to adapt and replicate the Conference Vetting System, which was initiated in Europe, within the Middle East & North Africa region and to promote this system as a gold standard among internal and external stakeholders.

Two years after its inception in Europe in 2012, the Conference Vetting System is recognized as a compliance standard for the industry and a quality label for third-party conferences in Europe.

The Conference Vetting System is an independently managed and unique initiative in the healthcare industry. It reviews the compliance of third-party educational conferences with the MedTech Europe "Code of Ethical Business" to determine whether it is appropriate for companies to sponsor Healthcare Professionals in terms of e.g. conference registration, travel or other conference related expenses. The decision is binding on MedTech Europe corporate and national associations members.

Through this initiative, MedTech Europe expects to reinforce general understanding of compliance and associated competences in the Middle East & North Africa region. Furthermore, it will contribute to harmonization across and beyond its membership as well as to greater knowledge and adoption of ethical and compliance-oriented behaviors and standards.

## **Description of Integrity Partner**

MedTech Europe represents the medical technology industry in Europe. Its mission is to make modern, innovative and reliable medical technology available to more people. MedTech Europe funds the Conference Vetting System initiative.

MedTech Europe (<http://www.medtecheurope.org/>)

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## **Link to the website**

<https://www.siemens.com/global/en/home/company/sustainability/compliance/collective-action/status-of-the-second-funding-round/medtech-europe.html>