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[COST Action IS0903 “Enhancing the Role of Medicine in the Management of European Health Systems - Implications for Control, Innovation and User Voice”](#) (short: Doctors in Management) is an international research collaboration led and managed by the [Centre for Innovation in Health Management \(CIHM\)](#) at the University of Leeds.

The Action runs until the end of 2013 and aims to increase understanding as to how health management reforms have unfolded across different European states. In particular, how the role of the medical professions in the management of health care has changed and the impact this has had on areas such as control (organizational and occupational), innovation and user voice.

The main objective of the [Action](#) is to increase empirical, theoretical and policy relevant knowledge about the changing role of medical professionals in the management of healthcare. This [Action](#) is rooted in a number of recent trends in healthcare: the growing involvement of doctors in management

and changes in medical education, training and career structures. These changes are assumed to be positive, leading to improvements in organization learning and control, innovation and user voice. However the evidence supporting such conclusions remains fragmented. While changes in the relationship between management and medicine have received some attention at national levels, there is less research adopting a rigorous, comparative, interdisciplinary perspective. Focusing on hospital doctors the [Action](#) aims to address these limitations to advance theoretical, empirical and policy relevant knowledge. The wider benefit for society will be the identification of promising practices in healthcare management to facilitate policy change at both national and European levels. The [Action](#) will also contribute to goals of enhancing the mobility of clinical professionals and the user voice in healthcare.